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FAIRBANKS GARDEN CLUB MEMBER MEETING MINUTES OF 9/18/19

Endicott Estate, Dedham

DRAFT TO BE CORRECTED/APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEMBER MEETING

Item #1: Meeting called to order by co-president **Marion Kirohn** at 12:15

Announcement; preference sheets on tables

Item #2: Recording secretary **Judy Massey** - minutes of the May 15 meeting accepted as presented.

Item #3: Corresponding secretary **Kathy Lynch** – received a thank you for annual $100 donation to the Fairbanks Family of America

Item #4: Co-treasurer **Charlotte Pollock** – Current format for treasurer’s report has been changed to 3-columns (Treasurer’s report is available from the treasurers..)

Note: There is need for a treasurer in training

Item #5; Garden therapy / horticulture **Carol Dixon** - Fairbanks House needs sprucing up. Fall clean-up date is Wednesday, October 23 (rain date Monday, October 28.)

Item #6: Hospitality **Sandra Nelson** – Welcome back to all. Welcome to **Jodi Rand,** new captain of the tea cup (washing) brigade.

Item #7: Membership **Saroj Joshi** –

Introducing three new members: **Catherine Suh, Pauline Sayers, Judy House.**

Item #8: Nominating chair **Charlotte Pollock** –

Invites volunteers to join nominating committee, requests members to join a committee.

Item #9: Programs/workshops **Leanne Lahar** –

Members are asked to fill out program evaluation sheets at the end of every meeting.

October 16 speaker will be Suzanne Mahar on splitting perennials. There will be drawings to give away the plants she has divided. Also members may buy pumpkins at the pumpkin patch.

Item #10: Ways & Means **Jeanette Evans** – There is a mini-plant sale at this meeting today.

Item #11: Publicity/website **Mary Compagnone** –

* + Asks those going to the Fairbanks Fall festival to take pictures and send them to her.
  + Asks for volunteers to help plant 60 daffodil bulbs at the Dedham Historical Society to commemorate the 60th year celebration of the Fairbanks Garden club.
  + Celebration theme: Plant it forward
  + Celebration luncheon will be May, 2020.

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Item # 12: Tours / conservation **Lisa Brayton** –

* June **Carmela Kerrigan** garden tour was a success featuring gardens of **Ann Heller, Gail Palmer, Carol Dixon,** with picnic lunch at home of **Marion Kirohn.**
* Monthly eco-minute included conservation tips from **Marion Kirohn, Loretta Larraga, Judy Massey, Jeannine Latham, Mary Joyce, Ellen Donovan, Judy Raymond.**

Item #13: Plant sale **Jeannine Latham-**

* Welcome to **Pauline Sayers** on the committee.
* At October meeting speaker Suzanne Mahar will have shovels available for sale ($49.)
* Requests a group to meet to plan the Plant Sale. Already volunteering are: **Susan Strouse, Charlotte Pollock, Jeannine Latham, Carla Bennett, Kathie Merageas, Marion Kirohn, Carol Dixon.**

Item #14: Yearbook **Maeve McHenry** – Asks for notification of changes in address or contact information.

Item #15: Announcement **Marion Kirohn**– All members asked to complete committee preference form. Each committee needs a chair and at least 3 members.

Item #16: New business **Marion Kirohn** –

FGC has been invited to participate in the Fairbanks 4th Annual Fall Festival Septemberfest on Sunday, September 29 from 12 to 5 p.m. Our table will have FGC brochures, information about 2020 plant sale, membership applications, publicity for the Fairbanks House, the herb garden, and Al Blood’s memorial garden, garden art, plants, related information. Proceeds from sales go to the FGC general fund.

We need volunteers.

Item #17: Announcement **Marion Kirohn** – Fall Metro District Coffee on Monday, October 7, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at Wellesley Free Library. Board members invited.

Item #18: Announcement **Marion Kirohn** – 2019 GCFM Fall Conference on Wednesday, October 30, 2019, “Plant MA with Native Shrubs and Trees” at Dedham Hilton. Registration fee $60 each will be paid by club. Usually two club officers attend.

Item #19: Announcement Co-president **Mary Devine-Bentz** thanks all who participated in the Fairbanks Family Reunion.

Business meeting adjourned at 1:10

Program: Meet and greet, plant show and tell, and sell (some plants donated by members to be sold.)

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Massey

Recording secretary