

Misson Hills Garden Club  
May 18, 2011 Board Meeting  
5.00 at the home of Carol Costarakis

**Present.** French, Palafox, Costarakis, Scherf, Moseley, Shelley, Stanley, Hartwill, Quillin, Bishop, Skillman, Starr, Lawley, Pehl, Koch, Carter, Strona

**Missing in Action.** Jones, Fritschner

French calls the meeting to order at 5.17

**Introductions** of new board members: Linda Stanley - Communications, Lee Skillman - Membership, Walley Hartwell - Special Events, Jeff Koch - Community Projects, Fausto Palafox - President

**Minutes from APRIL**

minutes approved as corrected (Oxygen instead of CO2). moved by French, seconded and passed unanimously.

French thanks the board for the wonderful service throughout this year.

**Treasurers Report.** Moseley sent all financials prior to the meeting to all board members; she requested any questions or requests for clarification be submitted prior to the meeting to be addressed at the meeting. No requests received.

**Program Report.** French

May: Grasses, will bring plants to purchase, June: Australian Natives, no more programs planned. we still need a programs person, Starr will ask Miles.

**Membership.** Strona

231 members, still renewing. 2 signed up from the garden walk

**Committee Reports**

**Communications.** Starr: Budget for newsletter needs to be discussed. In current budget 100 \$ per issue, actual costs were average 150.

We still need someone designing the postcards and the newsletter. Linda Stanley is the new Communications Chair.

**Community Projects.** Lawley, no report

Tree project: Palafox: some money and some trees came in; need 12 people who are willing to take care of them. Lawley brings up the idea for a plaque to honor Marien and George. Newly planted tree in front of the try cleaners is proposed. Petals for Patriots: need more blue vases, are looking for donations (Gaidmore); need vases before July 23rd.

**Education.** Shelley

The budget is used up. Thank you notes are coming in - give to our Historian Carter, publish in the newsletter, put infos about them in the eblast.

**Garden Walk.** Bishop/Pehl

13th year; approx. 29000 profit; sold less ads this year, lower costs for booklet. Had a lot of competition this year; fewer tickets sold on the day of the walk, things went smoothly. Bishop recommends the Falcon Street neighborhood for the next walk as a new neighborhood. French recommends around the UCSD hospital.

### **Hospitality.** Quillin

No replacement yet. Quillin can't continue into June. Responsibilities: once a month; get to the church at 5.15, setting up the hall (map for volunteers exists), make the coffee, set out the food and the speakers, microphone, screen, projector if needed; manage the volunteer force - sign up sheets for treats, notify the volunteers a week ahead, after meeting make sure evth. gets put away; end approx. 8.30. also worked together with special events person for the catering; budget needs to increase rent went from 100 to 110 per month. Meeting hall will be remodeled over the summer; meetings will be in the sanctuary or chapel - no food, just water. some things can be done on the patio (plant Dr., plant exchange, etc.).

### **Special Events.** Costarakis

Appreciation party for volunteers; sign ups are necessary, because we have a caterer. At Quillin's backyard, also invited are the new volunteers. Debra Lee Baldwin's next event is coming up, still openings; event will not be repeated, great chance.

Knife sharpening can be brought back to the meetings; currently not enough interest. Shelley reminds us that there is a knife sharpener at the MH Farmers Market. Project for GC meetings rests herewith.

### **Historian.** Carter. no report

### **Old Business**

Meeting Change Location - summer: Carter moves that the club does not meet in Aug and July at the church this year. Moseley seconds it. It passes. Bishop would like to see other events. Shelley mentions the 4th of July party in Pioneer Park, the concert in the park. Sponsor another concert and do a pot-luck. We also have wine in the garden.

### **Nominating Committee** Recommendations-new officers

Scott did fill as many positions as possible.

We need people under special events and weeding. Green thumb is discontinued, communications: French continues publicity and offers to do eblast. Also needed is newsletter person, webmaster (trained by Scott) and postcard design. We need hospitality, Garden Walk chairs. Programs person is needed (is also vice president - needed to approve a budget).

Projects committee is in place, Sandra Scherf is programs chair/vice president, Joice Disraely does Coffee/Wine in the garden again, Elaine Wilson is our Palomar rep.

Moseley: directory needs to be budgeted. Skillman as the new membership chair needs to budget it, some numbers are existing. Strona to turn in budget (DONE)

### **New Business**

New signups for hosting needed

raffle. Do we keep it or not. Strona moves to discontinue the raffle, Quillin seconds. all in favor.

Existing items will be sold at concerts in the park.

Newsletter: Starr suggests to first find the person for doing the newsletter, then discuss the new format. Shelly will contact some of the schools about possible interns to do the newsletter.

Introduce new board/committee members elect

Bishops suggests to do Constant Contact for e-mailing the members. Costs are about 12 Dollars per month. Will be up to the new board to decide.

Quillin moves to move the Garden Club storage to a commercial storage unit. French seconds, all in favor. Skillman has contact at "Storage etc" and will ask for special deal for a nonprofit. We need a 3 by 8 (smallest) unit. Will have data at the next board meeting.

**Future Board Meetings will be at 5.30 again.**

Meeting Adjourned at 6.33.

Next Meeting: June 8, 5.30. Place tba, tentatively reserved ASCENT realty, "MHGC BOD 5-7pm 6/8/11 Wednesday"