Lakemoor Hills Garden Club Lake Hills Church September 15, 2022

The Meeting was called to order by President John Bradley.

The Devotion was shared by Chaplain Kristin Bianconi, "Fall is in the Air" and will be posted on the Garden Club Facebook page.

Attendees: Gina Bond, Sharon Gerkin, Holli Rogers, John Bradley, Randy Kerns, Jennie Sullivan, Kristin Bianconi, Sue Humble, Tanya Copeland, Kathy Proctor

Review/Approval of previous minutes: no record of June meeting could be recovered but several members in attendance reported approving the Treasurer's report and May 20 meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: John Bradley submitted Dawn Thomas' report. Tanya Copeland motion to approve and seconded by Sue Humble. Treasurer's report was approved.

Standing Committee Chair reports:

Social committee Chair- Tanya Copeland presented plans for fall social scheduled for October 20, 2022 to be held at the Copeland's home. Event will be outside with drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Tickets for GC members: \$10/person, \$20/couple. Motion presented by Tanya, seconded by Gina, motion passed. Tanya is developing a list of non-GC member (guest) invitees. GC members may contact Tanya with suggestions for guest invitees who may be interested in joining the GC. Invitations will go out within the next 2 weeks.

The December social meeting is to be held at Dawn Thomas'. Attendees should plan to bring inexpensive garden-related gift for an exchange and a pot luck side dish.

Fundraising Committee Chair- Sue Humble discussed the pecan sale, and questioned whether we would be able to purchase from the new supplier (Stuckey's). Sue will follow-up with Suzan Bowman about this. The holiday mailbox toppers/swags production date is included in the Programs calendar. The Dogwood bows production is unresolved and will need to be clarified with Fran Thomforde.

Projects Committee Chair- Kathy Proctor- Roundabouts: Discussed need for general maintenance (weeding and mowing). Mowing has been managed by Gator Garlin and John Bradley this summer, and weeding has been done by Kathy Proctor, John Bradley, Buz and Tanya Copeland, with hired help on one occasion. Hired assistance in maintenance may be required in the future. The fountain grass in the centers is spotty in some circles, eg Montlake and Maloney East, and may require replanting. The Kathy has purchased landscape edging to be installed, initially at one circle. A call for volunteers will go out to the neighborhood for this team project.

Legacy Park is in good condition excepting the dying walnut tree inside the paved path that should be removed. As the park is Knox County property and the paved path was installed by Knox County Wastewater (the most likely explanation for the tree's demise) it is reasonable to

ask that they take responsibility for the tree removal. Kathy will seek an appropriate envoy to broach this with the County.

Upper Bluff Point is in maintenance mode. Mowing/weeding/fertilizing are managed by Mark Gately and Stewart Asbury. John Bradley pruned the dogwoods and has kept the 'Iron Bird' area weeded. Kathy volunteered to re-paint the 'Iron Bird' itself. **Howard's Corner** is similarly in maintenance mode, with the original plan completed in July with planting of tall bearded iris. Further additions are under consideration. There have been losses of recently planted dogwoods.

Programs was discussed by John and Kathy in **Kim Overman**'s absence. The **Program Calendar** has been posted, but specific Master Gardener presenters remain to be identified, as does the specific yard art project. These should be fleshed out soon.

Communications Chair- Linda Haynes communicated their activities to John, who summarized for the GC members in attendance. The Yearbook has been printed and distributed; the Library has been inventoried and "pruned" books offered to the GC members, with the remainder to be offered to the Homeowners at the September 16 Happy Hour. Proposed additions to the publicly accessible GC webpages include the listings of past presidents and deceased members; Donations and Memorials page; and presentation materials. For the GC Facebook, it was noted that access is to be controlled by administrators and will be limited to GC members. A draft Social Media Guideline document has been drafted and will be reviewed and approved by the Board before posting.

Civics- Dogwood Arts will be co-lead by Gina Bond and Sandy Barnes, replacing retiring lead, Ann Graf. The "**Other GC**" working group lead is Kim Overman, and the de facto "**Other Civic Organizations**" lead is Linda Haynes, as she is spearheading the "Fantasy of Trees" project. John asked that the Civics Committee members identify a Chair to replace Rosemary Burr.

Walk In Business: Sharon Gerkin presented Lakemoor Hills Church's need to resurface the walking trail. Donations are being sought from the Homeowners' Association and the neighborhood in general, and Sharon asked the GC to consider a contribution. John suggested that the Lakemoor Hills Resource Council should be approached as an entity separate from the Homeowners' Association, and further discussion of a GC donation would require a quorum (not achieved at the time of this discussion) and this could be an agenda item for the November GC meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: Sharon Gerkin made the motion and it carried.

Program: Benjamin Meeks, "The Garden Guy" on You Tube presented "Fall Gardening Made Simple". The presentation slides will be posted with permission from Benjamin Meeks.