

Minutes of RIFGC Board Meeting
April 28, 2016

The meeting was called to order at the Quiddnessett Country Club at 10:09 am by President Cathy Moore. Cathy introduced special guests:

Susan Hinkel, President, Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont, Inc.
Jane Waugh, President, The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc.
Betty Sanders, President, The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.
Vera Bowen, Director, New England Region of NGC.

Roll was not called. Attendance was recorded through annual meeting registrations. Minutes of the March 24th Board meeting were accepted as previously electronically distributed.

The Treasurer's report was not read, but was filed for audit.

Announcements and Upcoming Events:

Marnie Sandham, Bee Gap chair, reminded all that there are only three days left to order mason bees from Crown Bees and receive a 5% discount.

Rochelle Kieron, Portsmouth, announced a non-juried flower show to be held on May 7 and May 8 at Atria Assisted Living. Viewers will cast votes for their favorite designs.

Rochelle also announced that Garden Day will be held at Island Garden Shop on May 25, with a percentage of sales being given to the Club. Martin Van Hoff will be presenting on container gardening at 2:30 pm.

Linda Proulx, Gentian VP, announced their plant sale will place May 21 at the Community House.

Anna Bernath, Quononoquott's Treasurer, announced their plant sale will take place on May 14 at Fort Getty in Jamestown.

Chatham Village's plant sale will take place at Buttonwood Center, 3027 West Shore Road, Warwick on May 14 from 9:00 am til noon. They have a farmer in their Club who will be bringing vegetable plants for sale. They will also be holding a raffle, with proceeds going to their Blue Star project.

Pat McCarthy, Sogkonate, announced their plant and bake sale will take place on May 28 in Little Compton, outside Wilbur's Store.

Linda McHugh, Rehoboth's Co-President, announced their plant sale will take place on May 14 at the Bay State Barn.

Marnie Sandham, CindyWood, announced their plant sale will take place on May 7 at the American Legion Hall on Route 1.

Vicki Iannuccillo, Bristol, announced their plant sale will take place May 7 at the Bristol Parks and Recreation Center in Colt State Park.

Vicki also announced "A Celebration of Mothers" will take place at DeWolf Tavern in Bristol on Mother's Day weekend, with Bayberry and Bristol doing the centerpieces. Patrons will be able to vote on tablets. There will be a cocktail party from 4 pm to 6 pm on Sunday -- money raised will be for a water conservation/collection system for one of the gardens they maintain.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa B. Pollack, Recording Secretary