

Orinda Garden Club General Meeting
Tuesday, February 11, 2014
Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m. in the gardens of Marin Art and Garden Club. Janet thanked everyone who attended the wonderful presentation by Dr. Eric Haskell.

President's Report Janet reported that GCA has announced a dues' increase of \$10 per level for active, associate and sustaining members and \$5 for "second club" members. Given the formality, she suggested a motion, stating the above, which was made, seconded and approved.

The January meeting minutes were approved with the following correction; the 2018 annual meeting should read "How the West was **One**".

Nominating Committee Carole announced that Tina Locke is slated for the Board position of Corresponding Secretary and Louise Diracles is slated for the Board position of Recording Secretary. The position of Treasurer is currently unfilled. The slate was moved, seconded and approved.

Carole reported that Lisa Stefan stated that the position of Treasurer is simplified by the use of Quikbooks. She is available to tutor anyone in this program as it is very easy to learn.

Annual Meeting Carole requests ideas for logos for the 2018 annual meeting held in San Francisco. Traditionally, these logos were designed by host clubs for use on tote bags, scarves, signage etc. There are 18 clubs in Zone XII and it would be nice if OGC were prominent in presenting the design. One idea would be to incorporate the colors of the West and include the seven represented states. The title is "How the West was One". Please send your ideas and designs to Carole.

Programs Linda announced that our next general meeting is March 13. This will be a guest day and feature our speaker, Michael Merritt from Carmel's "Twigger". In addition, Judy and Pam are kindly offering to take hazardous waste products to the Martinez recycling center after the meeting.

Mini-Lunches Anita announced that there will be a mini-lunch after the April 24 meeting. Usually, a host and co-host will have between 8 and 11 guests for a light lunch. This is a wonderful way to meet new members so please sign up. New members are encouraged to hostess with their sponsors.

Horticulture Joyce will host an informational session for all hort exhibitors on Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. At that time, Isa Mary, Suanne and she will help members understand how to fill out cards, clean and prepare planters, and prepare a cut-flower specimen.

Flower Show Nath announced that everything is moving along in preparation for the March 28 Club Flower Show. She thanked Nita, Judy S., Bobbie and Jean R. for their efforts in organizing the individual categories. She also thanked all committee members working on the show.

All are encouraged to attend the party from 6-9 p.m. – it will be fun!

Anne Hetland is organizing a luncheon for Associate and Sustainer members. She will be sending out invitations.

Heather Farms Ann stated that there are 20 more rose bushes to prune tomorrow at 9 a.m. She thanked all who have participated.

Membership Jenifer, reporting for Mary Read, announced that the cut-off date for change in status is March 1. Letters should be sent to the Corresponding Secretary, Dona Snow. March 15 is the date by which to submit a new member's name. Please include two sponsors' letters and four letters of endorsement. If you need a form, please contact Mary.

Wagner Ranch Carole announced that on April 27 a Wildlife Festival will be held at Wagner Ranch site. It will be a wonderful venue and opportunity for kids and grandkids to share in the outdoor experience.

Janet ended the meeting by thanking Nita and Phoebe for their efforts in organizing the transportation for today's meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Formanek