

Briar Chapel Garden Club
Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2024

Meeting called to order by Rick Thompson
The meeting began with a social time for the attendees

Announcements

- Nikki's house was chosen to be in the 2026 Chapel Hill Garden tour

Minutes

- Minutes from the August meeting were reviewed and approved. They are available on the BC Garden Club website.

Finance

- Rick provided a report as the Treasurer (Scott K) was not available.
- Income YTD is \$4283
- Expenses this month around \$405
- Currently just under \$3000 in the account but there is some income still in PayPal including a membership renewal as the flower sale is ongoing
- See full report uploaded on BCGC website

Flower sale

- Marie reported there has been 94 flower orders to date.
- We've sold 42 flats of pansies and 260 mums to date, reaching discount price for mums.
- To reach pansy discount, we need to sell 51 flats. The club will plan to purchase the flats needed to reach discount so will have extra to sell on day of distribution.
- We are currently at about \$1400 profit. Largest profit we've ever made.
- Sale ends on 9/12/24. Next Friday, 9/20/24 is date set for delivery and pick up.
- Jade is handling the flower distribution sign up list, need just a few more people to help

Fall harvest dinner

- The BC clubhouse is reserved Oct 27, 2024 for the Harvest Dinner. Starts at 6pm
- Nikki is organizing event
- There is a sign-up sheet to sign up for dishes, drinks, set up, clean-up
- We will not buy a meat dish, instead this will be a pitch in from members for all food.
- We can go in clubhouse starting at 1pm for set up, flowers will be arranged in vases
- There will be very little cost to this event; however, we still need to buy paper goods and serving utensils, flowers for tables and give aways/prizes.
- Club voted to allocate \$400 for this event. Marcel made motion, Jade seconded.

Garden updates

- Thanks to all who attended the work days these past few weekends.
- Little garden is cleaned up, looks really good now.
- There are still a few rabbits and rats living in the gardens, traps have been set
- Snap peas have been planted, spinach is coming in now
- Flowers will be pulled at the end of Sept; Marie is harvesting seeds
- Tulips will be planted later in Nov/Dec in between garlic and onions in big garden

Additional fundraiser

- Polly created several paintings of the gardens and other spaces in BC that she plans to sell as note cards and prints.
- This will serve as another fundraiser that will begin after the flower sale.

Elections

- The Club elections will begin in October with nominations and voting in November.
- Election activities take place in person at the meeting.

Field Trip

- Nikki is planning some field trips for the club
- May go to the NC Arboretum and/or the Lantern Festival, possibly in December

Next meeting

- October 15th, 2024 (note date switch to accommodate members out of town).
- The theme is Halloween and members are encouraged to come in costume.

Motion to adjourn by Marie, Linda T seconded

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape