

# Garden Club Meeting – April 11, 2023

## Agenda and Minutes

### 1. Finance report – Scott Kiser

**March 2023: CURRENT BALANCE: \$3,600.**

- Last year we were at \$4200 but we've spent earlier this year.
- Balance is a little skewed due to income from the flower sale & dues mixed together currently
- For full details see treasurers report on the BCGC website

### 2. Membership – Marie Rape

- One new member paid dues in March, 53 families have joined to date
- Will plan a membership drive / garden open house in June to attract new members

### 3. Noteworthy:

- Water at both gardens will be turned on this week; irrigation will be set up next day (Larry training Rick in use of irrigation)
- Will fertilize the blueberries this week
- We are a couple of weeks away from cucumbers getting planted
- Lettuce and arugula re-planted this week
- Beans are starting to get planted
- Trellis's and mounds built
- Jenna planted a lot at Seaforth HS greenhouse, everything is really growing well
- We will likely have some extra tomato plants available for garden club members to take home
- Some peppers have been planted
- Garlic and Onions will come out in June
- Nicky (new member) planted a lot of flowers at Boulder Garden (in bed and around perimeter)
- Strawberries looking good, they were separated and moved to provide more space to grow
- Signs identifying plants from previous years being reused, may need to look at software to produce more signs (in future).
- Herb section – bay leaf tree had root rot from a broken water line that soaked plant. Took out some rosemary as it was too big, found a cedar tree growing that needs to be pulled.
- Started some basil at Seaforth HS, we can plant it in raised beds and herb garden

### 4. Work options at Boulder and Briar

- Workdays will be more frequent over next few months
- Plan to divide up garden in rows to assign to members to weed
- Most of onions weeded but still some work to be done

### 5. Spring Flower sale – Marie provided an update.

- Currently 28 orders have been placed (3 in past 24 hours after new advertising)
- Profit margin at \$265; increased dramatically after discount price reached (> 50 verbenas orders)
- Orders will be taken through April 17, 2023 via our online store
- All orders available for pickup on Tues, 4/25 from 3-7pm on porch at the Briar Chapel Clubhouse.
- We have several volunteers already for day of delivery
- Will hand out extra tomato plants we have available for people who placed orders to take home

### 6. New Business: None

### 7. Motion to adjourn at 7:50pm

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape