## FLORAL CITY GARDEN CLUB December 12, 2003 Minutes

Following the annual Holiday Luncheon, the meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by President JoAnn Quackenbush, who led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the club collect. The President acknowledged the hostesses, Janis Lehowicz, Millie Lyons, Alice Reed and Betty Sumner as well as the members who decorated the tables: Bette Ayers, Carol Hart, Kathy Hofmann, Jo Quackenbush and Bobbie Schoss.

November meeting minutes were distributed by e-mail and extra copies were available for review prior to the meeting. There were no corrections and the minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer's report was given by Kathy Hofmann (see attached). Income during the month of October was \$523 and disbursements were \$291.33. Ending balance: \$6896.95.

Correspondence received by the President was reported. A request was received from the President of the Friends of the Library, Mary Ellen Zavotsky, asking if FCGC might change the date or location of our March meeting so the FOL can use the community building to set up for their book sale the next day. After brief discussion, this request was denied by the GC membership but it was agreed that we would make every effort to be out of the building by 3 p.m. and that members who are free would stay to assist the FOL.

The president announced that Debbie Barney is the new co-host and Chairman of the Day of the District V host committee. The next DHC meeting will be held January 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Marie Jones, but was subsequently changed to January 19. A full board meeting will be held January 30 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Debbie Barney. Items on the agenda for the board to consider include proposed: purchase of a pricing gun; increase of the Scholarship Fund; support of a World Gardening project; two new downtown gardens and maintenance of existing gardens; new quarterly news letter; yearbook advertising; membership classified advertising; and new downtown holiday decorations. A committee was appointed to check into new town decorations and report at the Board meeting. Committee members are: Cathy Foley, Carol Hart, Laura Hennings, Shirley McAllen, Barbara Milliken, Bobbie Schoss and Mary Lu Sloop.

The president announced that Dave Noble is the new co-chairman of the Civic and Community Development Committee; and that a new member page for the yearbook was published via email and distributed to non-email members. Marcia Beasley, chairman of the Historic Preservation committee, reported that Heritage Days and the historic home tours were well attended and thanked Garden Club members for their volunteer time. There were no other committee reports.

The Petal Power Award was presented by Debra Owens, last month's recipient, to Shirley McAllen for her participation in numerous club and community volunteer activities.

The President's Award was given to the members (and spouses) who participated in the school beautification project, decorating downtown, roadside clean-up and set-up and decorating for the luncheon.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

General announcements were made regarding upcoming events which were scheduled for the next day, so will not be repeated here.

The meeting was adjourned to sing carols led by Bette Ayers and Mary Lu Sloop.

Respectfully submitted,