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Meeting called to order at 12:07 by President Donna Thomas. Twenty-one members and one guest were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all members.

Happy birthday was sung to members who have birthdays this month.

Donna thanked Joan Knippen, Dottie Andrews, and Carole DeLisle for hosting and Lona Bassett for greeting.

Kathy Lingusky asked if there were any changes or corrections to February's meeting minutes. One correction was noted, will be made, and then filed.

Donna read the Treasurer's report.

Correspondence Secretary, Sandy VanTassel read a note from Ann and Bill Covington, thanking the Club for taking part in the clean-up day at their property.

Mary Graff, Plant Sale Chairman, talked about items still needed for the plant sale, and collecting money from members for pre-orders from one of the nurseries.

After a short break, the program, "Growing Cactus and Succulents", was presented by Master Gardener, Paul Dechuesneau.

The business meeting resumed after the program. Carol Wood indicated that she would like to provide a basket for donation to the State Convention to be held April 23rd and 24th. Lona Bassett made a motion to take the money for this item out of the Club budget. Diane Freund seconded. A vote was taken and motion carried. Carol will put together this donation and transport it to the convention.

Donna reminded membership about the email concerning the District V meeting to be held on Friday, May 11th. Please let her know if you plan to attend so she can arrange carpooling.

The Federation State Convention is going to be held April 23rd and 24th. All information regarding registration for this event can be found in *The Florida Gardener*. In order to obtain the breakout for workshops, you will need to go to the FFGC website. Deadline for registering is March 30. Forms must be postmarked no later than that date.

Fliers for the Club plant sale are available to pick up after the meeting.

The subject of a new garden, possibly in front of the Floral City post office, was brought up again to membership. After a short discussion, the proposal was voted down. No new garden will be made at this time.

Donna read information about Camp Wekiva. It was proposed by the Board that the Club send two children to the camp this summer, rather than just one, based on expected returns from the plant sale. After a short discussion, Lona Bassett made a motion to send two children, and if the plant sale was more successful than expected, that we consider sending the Camp some extra

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money for their wish list. Carol Wood seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Donna took a count of the number of trees planted by membership over the last year, from February 2017 through February 2018. The total number is

Anyone who wishes to pay for their dues or luncheon, please see Donna after the meeting. Please have form handy if paying dues.

Kathy Lingusky gave a short talk on the Plant of the Month, camellias. A drawing was then held for the plant

Announcements:

- Our next meeting is April 13th.
- Our program will be “Flowering Trees for the Canopy - Putting More Floral Back in Floral City”, presented by Leslie Derrenbacker.
- There will be no Flex Time.
- The next Board meeting is Monday, April 9th at 10:30 am at Donna’s house. Please advise her if you are able to attend.
- The Plant Sale setup will be March 23rd.
- Plant Sale is March 24th - if you are scheduled to work first shift, please be there before 8:00 am.
- The next roadside cleanup will be Thursday, April 26th, at 9:00 am at the Duval Island boat ramp parking lot. Please advise Susie if you will be helping.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm. Flex time followed.

Submitted by Kathy Lingusky, Recording Secretary