**ILLINOIS DUNESLAND GARDEN CLUB**

 **January 14, 2025 GENERAL MEETING**

 **Zion -Benton Library**

 **Zion, Illinois**

The meeting was called to order by President Jackie Kim at 1:05 pm. She welcomed everyone and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**Roll Call:** There were 32 members present and 4 guests.

**Introduction of Guests:** President Jackie Kim asked the guests to stand and introduce themselves.

**Birthdays:** Members with January birthdays were acknowledged**:** Diane Waldow, Judy Anderson, Toni Larsen,

Lynn Johnston, Janet Melin, and Sue Raiden.

**Minutes:** The December 10, 2024 meeting minutes were compiled by Cathy Peterson and were emailed to members and posted on our website. The required signatures were obtained on a printed copy and accepted.

**Meeting Lecture Topic**

IDGC member April Meyers presented an information overview on using Ornamental Grasses in Gardens and a detailed handout was supplied as well. Thank you April for sharing your expertise.

**Glove Sales and Sunshine:**

Gloves are available for purchase from April Meyers.

The Sunshine Chairperson has reached out to Kathy Knutell with well wishes. Please keep Kathy Knutell in your thoughts.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer’s report was presented by Rebecca Kinnavy.

Beginning Balance Checking: $655.68

Expenses: $1323.07

Ending Balance: $385.61

Ending Balance Savings: $5.00

Ending Balance CD: $10440.67

Total as of Month end: $10831.28

**New Member Inductions:**

If you are a new member and have not been inducted yet, please let Jackie Kim know.

**Committee Reports and Updates:**

Carol Awe will be taking over activities for the 2025 IDGC Yearbook. Thank you Carol.

A summary of October 8 survey passed out by Cheri Neal will be

presented at a future 2025 meeting.

Replacement For Sunshine activities: Interest forms filled out by members are being reviewed,

Cindy Godbold has resigned from the IDGC and it is necessary to identify a replacement for the Spring Garden Club Plant Auction, Please contact Jackie Kim if you are interested.

Work on role summaries and guidelines/rules for Board members and Chairpersons will continue to be drafted, expanded or edited after January 1,2025.

2025 Garden Tour Update- Currently have 8 gardens, 4 confirmed for the June 28, 2025 Garden Walk Event. Still looking for a few people to possibly design/make a nice donation box.

Pop-up Gardens Update: Looking for 2 coordinators to volunteer to manage the Pop-Up Garden visits. Sandi Shea has offered to communicate the Pop-up garden events information to members as they become available.

Any pictures from these events could be sent to Nikki Rhomberg to be posted on the IDGC website.

Update on IDGC Historical Files: Terryl Rajcevich gave an update on ongoing activities in organizing and compiling documents and photos. More information is needed regarding some of the photos , any more historical items anyone wants to donate are welcome. Any scrapbooks/ albums that members have and are not using will be accepted for use in organizing items.

Update on seed library activities: Next seed library packing event scheduled for 1/15/25 at the Zion-Benton Library.

**Announcements:**

Thanks to this month's Refreshment/Centerpiece committee:

Refreshment committee: Barb Alexander (Lead), Mary Gustafson (co-Lead), assists: Ed Waddle, and Joyce Fredrick.

Next month's Refreshment Committee: Paula Reinier (lead), Jenny Brown (co-lead). Assists: Brenda Perez, Cheryl Anderson, Terryl Rajcevich, and Threicy Gavina.

Next Month’s meeting is on February 11, 2025 at 1:00pm at the Zion–Benton Public Library.

 **Adjournment**

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rebecca Kinnavy and 2nd by Doreen Matteson. Meeting was adjourned at 2:41pm.

Submitted by Secretary

Cathy Peterson