

Flint Hills Daylily Society
Minutes of Meeting
February 1, 2016

The February meeting of FHDS was called to order by president Christopher Renner at Manhattan Senior Center. Twenty-four members were present.

Program:

Members moved to tables organized by color to brainstorm and discuss in small groups the proposed application to the AHS Daylily City Program. Concerns and ideas were then presented in the large group as follows:

- Labor for upkeep is a concern. Several members are downsizing their own gardens.
- Preference for smaller project such as upgrading the daylily display at the K-State Gardens with recent award winners.
- Get public out to see gardens by making the club garden tour open to public. Money made by charging admission could benefit the K-State Gardens efforts. Would FHDS need event insurance?
- Work in the K-State Gardens could be the first step to getting younger members.
- Find out if AHS display gardens outside of the city limits get to be counted for points
- Make a list of what we could do and points we can earn plus who would do it.
- Try to do some things and see how it goes.
- There is a need to develop an educational program that can be taken out to the public.

New Business:

Chris asked for approval of the minutes of the last meeting. Lou Irwin moved that the minutes be approved; Linda Marston seconded. Motion passed.

Pam Lauer presented the Treasurer's report. She reported also that club funds have been moved to Farmers State Bank. A question whether money should be moved from savings to a CD was posed. Discussion followed. A budget for the year has been developed. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

The following dates to remember were presented by Chris Renner:

- Winter Gathering – February 12-14
- Region 11 Summer Conference – June 24-26
- AHS National Convention – June 29 – July 2 MoKan is taking a bus to National Convention. Cost is \$100 for the round trip from Kansas City.
- Mall Bloom Display – July 9
- FHDS meetings – April 18, June 6, August 1, and September 19

Committee Reports:

- Chris asked for a chairman for the refreshments. There were no volunteers. He passed around a signup sheet for refreshments.
- Ernie Minton will no longer chair the Fall Sale. A new chairman is needed.
- Jo Lyle will serve as the Membership chair.
- Karen Hawes will organize the Bloom Sale. She asked for members to sign up.
- Maureen Thien will continue as chairman for the Fall Banquet. Members were asked to sign up to help
- There will be no Member Garden Tour this year.
- Lou Irwin and Laura Hall will co-chair the Program Committee. The list of programs for the year is not finalized
- Ruby Zabel reported that she has made changes on the club webpage. She asked if anyone had used it on their iPhones. She would like feedback on the updates. Winners of the photo contest are urged to send their photos to Ruby to be posted on the webpage.
- The yearbook has been sent out in digital format. Chris Renner volunteered to print it on recycled paper for anyone who asks.

Old Business:

The club discussed a recommendation to make a one-time contribution to the K-State Gardens reflecting the newer trends happening in daylily hybridizing. Steve Amy moved that FHDS make a one-time contribution of newer daylilies to the K-State Gardens. Jo Lyle seconded. Motion passed.

A proposal to tour Region 1 hybridizers was discussed. Several members expressed interest. Chris will research the cost of a bus and develop a possible route.

Daylily Drawing:

Irene Johnson provided daylilies for the club drawing.

Meeting Adjourned.

Shirley Masterson, Secretary

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April 18, 2016

The Flint Hills Daylily Society gathered at the Manhattan Senior Center for the April business meeting. President Chris Renner called the meeting to order.

Program:

The planned icebreaker was scrubbed. Guest Robin Goddard was introduced and welcomed. Laura Hall and Lou Irwin presented their program "My Favorite Daylilies," a beautiful slide show of favorite daylilies with accompanying facts and comments from contributing members.

All club members enjoyed a break for a delicious spread of snacks provided by Irene Johnson, Joyce Memarian, Jeanette Schuler, and Ruby Zabel.

New Business:

Chris passed out sign up lists for the club participation daylily drawing and an April 26 trip to hear Karol Emmerich speak at the Topeka club. He also passed around a list provided by Frank Schmeidler of guest daylilies that need to be shared back with FHDS.

Chris announced that member Carla Bishop has moved to Axtel, Kansas.

Kathy Foster made a motion that the minutes of the last meeting be approved. Jo Lyle seconded the motion.

Treasurer Pam Lauer presented the Treasurer's Report. She reminded those who had not yet paid their dues to see her at the end of the meeting.

Chris announced that AHS needs garden judges. Michael Bowman has proposed conducting a training session in Manhattan the first week of June. Members are asked to volunteer to be trained. Discussion followed. Chris will send out an email to determine if there are enough interested volunteers.

Committee Reports:

Membership: none

Bloom Display: A sign up sheet for helpers will be passed around at the June 6 meeting. Bags of potting soil for potting daylilies for the sale are available from Chris Renner.

Fall Sale: The committee will provide sign up sheets at the August 1 meeting. The proposed date for the sale at the Farmers Market is August 20. Ruby Zabel plans to set up a table at the Farmers Market on August 13 to advertise the upcoming sale.

Fall Banquet: Maureen Thein announced that the banquet will be held September 19 at the Senior Center.

Webmaster: Ruby Zabel reported that she has not yet posted winning pictures from the 2015 photo contest because she has not received many of them.

Members who attended the Winter Gathering (Marian, Ann, Bobbie, Dave, and Irene) reported that it was “well worth it” and that the auction was “great ” although perhaps not as profitable as FHDS’s Regional auction! Members are encouraged to attend next year.

The following dates to remember were presented by Chris Renner:

- Region 11 Summer Conference, June 24 – June 26, Wichita.
- National Convention, June 29 – July 2, Louisville, KY (Sold Out)
- FDHS Meetings, June 6, August 1, and September 19

Old Business:

The proposed AHS Daylily City project was the first order of old business. Discussion was primarily along the following topics: a.) Participation – Steve Thein asked for further discussion concerning the willingness of members to participate. There was mixed response. Irene Johnson mentioned that she is already scheduled to give a daylily presentation to an organization. b.) AHS Display Gardens –There is a need for more AHS display gardens in Manhattan to qualify. Chris Renner has begun the application process. Marian Quinlan suggested that there are many beautiful gardens in Manhattan that could qualify. c.) Community Gardens –The City of Manhattan has offered a planting bed for daylilies at the south entrance of City Park. Irrigation is provided and city crews will help with maintenance. Discussion was mostly favorable for providing a mix of plants. Signage is allowed along the sidewalk above the bed. After several minutes of discussion, Chris called for a motion from the floor concerning the AHS Daylily City application process. Shirley Masterson moved that FHDS pursue completing the application process to have Manhattan named an official AHS Daylily City. Laura Hall seconded the motion. The motion failed. However, the club will schedule a workday and provide daylily plants for the City Park flowerbed. Chris R. passed around a sign up sheet for daylily plant donations, and he will send out an email for scheduling.

In other old business, Chris R. reported that Scott McElwain is pleased with the club proposal to make a one-time contribution to K-State Gardens of newer varieties of daylilies including spiders, unusual forms, and doubles. The contribution will be valued at \$500. Scott E. is available to present a program for the club.

Daylily Drawing:

Kathy and Kent Foster conducted the drawing for daylilies by Jamie Gossard.

Meeting adjourned.

Shirley Masterson, Secretary

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Minutes of Meeting
June 6, 2016

The Flint Hills Daylily Society gathered at the Manhattan Senior Center for the June 6 business meeting. President Chris Renner called the meeting to order.

Program:

Laura Hall and Lou Irwin lead a game of "Daylily Bingo" to get things started. Bingo was followed by an informative presentation, "Dealing with Rust: Keeping our Gardens Healthy," presented by Ann Redmond.

Members enjoyed a quick break for refreshments.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Marian Quinlan moved that the minutes of the April meeting be approved as written. Ruby Zabel seconded the motion.

Pam Lauer presented the Treasurer's Report. Susan Schoneweis moved that the report be approved. Joyce Todd seconded. The motion was passed.

Committee Reports:

Membership: No report.

Fall Sale: The date for the Fall Sale at the Farmers Market was set for Saturday, August 20.

Fall Banquet: September 19 is the date set for the Fall Banquet. Steve Thien encouraged member to "start snapping!"

Webmaster: Chris encouraged all members to take a look at the updated FHDS website by Ruby Zabel. Members gave Ruby a round of applause in appreciation of her work.

Old Business:

Chris Renner reported that Bermuda grass has appeared in the proposed daylily bed at City Park. It needs to be eradicated before daylilies can be planted. The city will also move the Serviceberry tree that was planted in the bed. An additional bed near the swimming pool is also available for daylily plantings.

Chris also announced the availability of two seats for the club trip to Nebraska/Iowa July 16 and 17. A departure time and itinerary were shared. The club will pay for the rental of a van at \$495. Participants will pick up the rest of their costs for hotel, meals, and admission fees.

The garden judges training which was to take place in Manhattan has been postponed until next year due to scheduling conflicts.

New Business:

First on the agenda for new business was the Mall Bloom Display to be held July 9. Karen Hawes and Ann Redmond are co-Chairs. Sign up sheets for workers at the Mall Bloom Display were passed around. Karen will send out the time schedule the week before the event. Methods of getting publicity were shared. Chris R. presented a proposal to provide a free one-year FHDS membership to individuals who purchase \$40.00 or more in plants at the Bloom Display or Fall Sale. Discussion followed with the clarification being made that the free membership would be for the following year. Pam Lauer so moved and Joyce Memarian seconded the motion. All those present approved. An invitation will also be extended to these individuals to attend the August and September meetings as guests.

Concern was expressed over the drop in mall traffic. Advertising will be put in newspapers that provide free space. Other ideas for ways to get the date out were: Facebook, Craig's List, Farmers Market table, Nancy on Blueville's radio program, and Kathy on KMAN and KJCK talk show.

The City Parks Department has expressed interest in taking leftover daylilies from the Farmers Market sale in August.

The final item of business was the announcement that the nominating committee will be meeting concerning the selection of next year's officers. Discussion followed, particularly about the duties of the president.

Daylily Drawing: Door prize and club participation drawings were held.

Meeting adjourned.

Shirley Masterson, Secretary

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August 1, 2016

The Flint Hills Daylily Society gathered at the Manhattan Senior Center for the August 1, 2016, business meeting. President Christopher Renner called the meeting to order.

Program:

Kathy Foster presented a slide show and report on the 2016 Region 11 Conference and the tour gardens. She announced that the 2017 Regional Conference will be held in Oklahoma City, June 16-18. The Oklahoma City conference planners are requesting donations of authentic yard art for their auction.

Christopher then introduced Lois Hart, AHS Region 11 Director. Lois began by presenting issues of the AHS Journal to encourage non-members to join AHS. She gave a thorough and interesting report on the benefits of AHS membership including the following points:

1. \$25 membership includes 4 AHS Journals and a supplement
2. 3 issues of MoKanOk
3. \$25 voucher on daylily orders to participating growers
4. Invitations to conventions
5. Participation in Topeka and Wichita flower show
6. Training to be a garden or exhibition judge
7. Access to electronic robin
8. Eligible to be AHS display garden.
9. Access to members only portal which includes 70 years of AHS Journal articles
10. Vote in popularity poll
11. AHS is the international authority on registered daylilies
12. Participation in the photo contest
13. Visual media resources for member use

Lois also explained the club recognition program. She encouraged everyone to join AHS. AHS is primarily supported by dues and endowments.

AHS has published or is publishing three beautiful books on daylilies. The newest one coming out is Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun. The club may be interested in doing a group order. In addition, a book on spider daylilies will be coming out.

Lois finished by explaining the online Lily Auction. Club members were encouraged to donate daylilies to the auction to benefit Region 11.

Break:

Members enjoyed a quick break for refreshments provided by Maureen Thien, Ann Redmond, Laura Hall, and Evelyn Lacey.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Kathy Foster moved that the minutes of the June meeting be approved as written. Marian Quinlan seconded the motion.

Pam Lauer presented the Treasurer's Report. Maureen Thien moved that the report be approved. Bobbie Kromm seconded. The motion was passed.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Ann Redmond reminded members to let the committee know whenever important events happen in the lives of members.

Fall Sale: Ruby Zabel gave the report. The date for the Fall Sale at the Farmers Market is Saturday, August 20. Wednesday and Thursday of that week will be "wash and tag" at Irene Johnson's. Ruby showed the kits she and Irene put together for tagging and bagging daylilies for the sale. They asked that no daylily be priced less than \$5. Members are to price their own donations. Make up a list of daylilies you are donating by August 8 and send it to Ruby to have pictures printed. Save boxes. Set up time for Farmer's Market will be 7:00 a.m. Linda Marston agreed to host the presale potluck on Friday evening.

Fall Banquet: Maureen reported that the Fall Banquet would be September 19, at 6:00. Dinner will be served at 6:30 hosted by HyVee. Members are asked to RSVP by September 15. Voting on the club photo contest will be that evening.

Photo Contest: Steve Thien reported that he has emailed the photo contest rules. Entries must be received by August 30. Prizes will be given for 1st and 2nd places. Steve agreed to provide seedlings to all who enter the contest.

Old Business:

Christopher Renner and Ruby Zabel attended the Parks and Recreation planning meeting to present the club's plan for the two flower beds in City Park. Christopher announced that planting is scheduled for the first two weeks of September. He asked for a list of donated plants asap. Pat Freeman and Christopher will plot out the two beds with the names of the plants donated.

The postmark deadline for voting in the AHS Popularity Poll is September 1.

New Business:

In response to a show of interest, Renner will order 10 copies of Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun.

Renner reported that Facebook had 56,000 clicks for Bloom Display.

For the final order of business, Renner reported that the board is recommending a procedural change regarding participation and presidential plants. It is recommended that members receiving these plants no longer be required to return

the increases for distribution to the club. The following changes would be made to the FHDS Yearbook:

Strike --

“ member exchange drawing typically held at our fall banquet meeting.”

“All FHDS members are eligible for drawings involving the scheduled return of fan increases originally distributed as either a presidential daylily or club participation program (guest) daylily.”

The following change would be made to Article V Special Expenses:

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“After growing the daylily for 3 seasons, the President shall distribute half of the fans to current Club members by drawing.”

Criteria for Club participation Program would be changed to read as follows:

“As a special reward for providing leadership to FHDS, the President may purchase a “Presidential Daylily” and ask for reimbursement of up to \$100 from the club.”

“The club will provide one drawing a year for “Club Participation.” These plants are provided as a reward to those who contribute time and energy to the club. Eligibility for the Club Participation drawing is outlined below.”

There was lively discussion on the proposed changes and the correct procedures to follow to make the changes. Kathy Foster moved that the proposed changes be voted upon for approval in September. Jeanette Schuler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Daylily Drawing: Daylilies for the door prize drawing were provided by Peggy Jeffcoat.

Meeting adjourned.

Shirley Masterson, Secretary

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September 19, 2016

The Flint Hills Daylily Society gathered at the Manhattan Senior Center on Monday, September 19, for the final business meeting of 2016 and the Fall Banquet.

Program:

First in order of entertainment was eating! The annual banquet was organized by Maureen Thien with food provided by HyVee. Following the banquet, Steve Thien explained new guidelines of silent voting. Members voted for their favorites in the club photography contest.

Christopher Renner then called the business meeting to order at 7:20.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Kathy Foster moved that the minutes of the August meeting be approved with two corrections. Jo Lyle is Membership chairman, and the photo contest is to have prizes for 1st places only. Marian Quinlan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pam Lauer presented the Treasurer's Report including the 2016 budget with actual and projected expenses. Net income was \$463. The proposed budget for 2017 will include the same amounts as 2016 unless some items are known to be different. Pam presented a breakdown of the Farmer's Market Sale for 2016 and past years. FHDS did better this year than last year presumably because of FaceBook.

There was a discussion of donations of plants to K-State Gardens. Director Scott McElwain will give a presentation to the club in February on the plans for daylilies at K-State Gardens. No donations of plants are needed until further notice, because the existing plantings have to be moved for the renovation of the conservatory.

The question was then raised as to whether FHDS should make a donation to AHS for 2107. We gave \$500 in 2016 because of a matching fund. There are no known matching funds at this time. Also mentioned was that every club gives to the MoKanOK Editor's Club. Should we contribute to that in 2017? It was decided that since MoKanOk is in good shape financially, we would not be giving a donation in 2017 and possibly for several years.

Steve Thien moved that the Treasurer's Report and the 2017 Budget be approved. Jeanette Schuler seconded. The motion was passed.

Committee Reports:

No committee reports given.

Old Business:

Christopher Renner announced that the mulching of the City Park Display Garden would be the following day, Tuesday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m.

The club will purchase copies of Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun and Illustrated Guide to Daylilies. Copies will be available for purchase at the February business meeting.

The previously recommended procedural change regarding participation and presidential plants was presented for final approval. It has been recommended that members receiving these plants no longer be required to return the increases for distribution to the club. The following changes would be made to the FHDS Yearbook:

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Jeanette Schuler moved that the procedural changes be adopted as outlined above. Kathy Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Christopher Renner presented the slate of officers for 2017 as follows:

Christopher Renner, President

Ruby Zabel, Vice-President

Pam Lauer, Treasurer

Shirley Masterson, Secretary

Linda Marston, Member-at-Large

There were no nominations from the floor. Marian Quinlan moved that the slate of officers be approved with a unanimous vote. Jane Amy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steve Thien suggested that FHDS extend a free club membership to Ann Redmond, Region 11 Director as has been the custom in past years. Applause signified approval of the membership.

Winners of the FHDS 2016 Photo Contest were then announced.

- Landscape – Ruby Zabel
- Full Form – Linda Marston
- Doubles – Christopher Renner
- UFO/Spider – Ann Redmond
- Multiple Bloom/Clump – Steve Thien
- Artistic – Kent Foster

Ruby Zabel asked winners to send her digital copies of their photos for Facebook.

Daylily Drawing:

Steve and Jane Amy returned increases from two participation plants. These were distributed through a drawing.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be February 6, 2017.

Shirley Masterson, Secretary