

NEWCOMERS OF CATAWBA VALLEY
QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 2020

The monthly general meeting was called to order by Club President Cathi Montgomery at 10:40 am at the Hickory Regional Airport meeting room. There were 28 in attendance according to the sign-in sheet. 20/20 raffle tickets were sold. Members were asked to silence cell phones.

Cathi thanked club members Amy Chizen and Judy Dostall for bringing the refreshments. She also thanked the previous board and all the volunteers for their service to the club.

Guests were introduced by Chris Beckom. They were Carolyn Shoemaker from Colorado and Storm Song from Arizona. Both joined Newcomers at the meeting.

Program Director Dianne Straley introduced the speaker, Dr. George Place, Director of the Catawba Cooperative Extension Office, who gave an interesting talk and slide show on growing tomatoes from seeds. He also touched on their Master Gardener program and other classes open to the public, and answered questions about his presentation.

Quarterly Board Presentation

In addition to the President, Cathi Montgomery, members of the Board in attendance were: Past President Delilah Bragg, Secretary Chris Beckom, Webmaster Adra Kryszczuk, Events chairperson Amy Chizen, Director Addie McSherley, and Program Director Dianne Straley.

Absent from the Board were: Vice President Rob Herman, Treasurer Kathy Rosea, Director and Charity Coordinator Susie Matthews.

***Cathi Montgomery gave Kathy Rosea's treasurer's report as of December 1, 2019:

Beginning Balance	\$2154.57
Deposits	\$2731.00
Disbursements	\$2602.91
Balance	\$1922.66

Adra Kryszczuk gave Susie Matthew's Charity report about Safe Harbor saying there will be two tours of Safe Harbor on March 5th and March 19th which include lunch. Members wanting to take one of the tours should contact Susie by email or phone to sign-up. A list of items Safe Harbor needs was passed out to those in attendance. As for the Sponsor report, it was asked that anyone who knew of a possible sponsor for the club should contact Brenda Ireland.

Amy Chizen, Events chair, presented a talk about Events planning. Reported that 8 members went to Bisque and Beads for ceramic painting on Feb 10th and had an enjoyable time, and that the Tailgate Party in January was a success. She also touched on events for the future which will be divided into quick trips like the ceramics painting, longer day trips, and socials. She asked that anyone who had ideas for future events to let her know and also touched on trying to see if members would be agreeable to day events on the weekend. She said the next Event's Planning committee meeting would be held on March 9th at 1:00 at the Hickory Library and that all are welcome.

Member Chad Burel mentioned that there could be a Pontoon Party this summer for anyone interested.

Past President, Delilah Bragg, drew the ticket for the 20/20 raffle. The winner was Sharon Snellings who collected \$38.00 with the remaining \$38.00 going to Safe Harbor.

***These numbers do not come out correctly. Confirmed with C. Montgomery these numbers were correct as said in the meeting. Contacted Treasurer, Kathy Rosea who is looking into the discrepancy.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Beckom