PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY HORTICULTUAL SOCIETY MINUTES AGM NOV.26,2012

Present: Penny Stewart, Ingrid Bronson, Joyce Young, Norma Crichton, Kim Katanik-Kuris, Arline De Bourbon, Gwen Reilly ,Irene Mc Gee, Peter Jaehrling, Walter Mc Gee

Regrets: Liz Bowers

President ,Ingrid Bronson, welcomed everyone for coming. O Canada was sung by all . Ingrid led grace and thanked everyone for their generous contributions to our pot-luck dinner which was supervised by Walter Mc Gee. Plenty of turkey and all the trimmings were enjoyed by all. Ingrid called the meeting to order.

MINUTES of the 2011 AGM were accepted as read. Motion by Arline De Bourbon, seconded by Jan Skelton; carried.

Highlights of the PRESIDENT'S REPORT of the year's activities, sent to OHA, were given. She thanked all those on the various committees and their assistants who carried them out: The Gardeners' Gala; Joyce Young, Irene and Walter Mc Gee, Colleen Green, Norma Crichton, Kim Katanik-Kuris, Arline and Charles De Bourbon; Charles Lacey for hosting our annual picnic; Hosting District Three Spring Annual Meeting for which Joyce Young made gift bags and Kim Katanik-Kuras made a presentation (in addition to others throughout the years).

TREASURER'S REPORT Peter Jaehrling reviewed his itemized report covering the period Jan.1/12 to Oct.31/12 (Audited by Donald Mc Clure and Matthew Young). Total income (plus carry-over \$530.97); Expenditures \$8923.43; Balance \$3386.61. The Society has \$5000 invested with C.I.B.C. to mature on Oct. 29,2013. This report is sent annually to OMAFRA for auditing in order to receive a grant of \$1000.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS Joyce Young reported that amendments to the constitution were prepared by herself, Norma Crichton and Gwen Reilly. They were emailed to the membership for their consideration and input. This should be done every 10 years in order to remain current. Penny Stewart responded to Sharon Kleinsteuber's request for clarification regarding the tenure of executive members. Jan Skelton moved to accept the amendments as stated, 2nd by Kim Katanik- Kuris, carried by over 2/3 membership present; no objections, 2 abstentions.

GREEN TRUST President, Kevin Bazkur, reported that as a registered charity it endeavors to assist garden clubs to maintain, beautify and green the landscaping of P.E.C. In addition to a giant garage sale this year 50/50 draws at all meetings of such clubs are held for fund raising. A donation of \$1000 was given this year to P.E.C.Hospice to help establish their garden. Kevin is stepping down as president to make way for the new board: Pres. Marianne Mala chowski; Vice Pres. Walter Mc Gee; Treasurer Norma Crichton; Director Gordon Laurie.

ELECTIONS As past President Walter Mc Gee prepared a slate of nominees for the 2013 Executive. Penny Stewart, President of Gananoque H.S., and Secretary/Treasurer of O.H.A. District 3, conducted, and calling 3 times for further nominees, the election of COLLEEN GREEN - PRESIDENT (Contested by Joyce Young) All other positions were acclaimed after calling three times for further nominees.

TREASURER- LIS BOWERS

SECRETARY- TBA

DIRECTORS-GAYLA CAMPNEY, ELIZABETH COWAN, ARLINE DE BOUBON, DARLENE JOHNSTON, MARY JENKINS, HOWARD HUNTER, KIM KATANIK-KURIS, CHARLES LACY, ANNE REEVES, GWEN REILLY, JUDY YOUNG

The elections were closed. Congratulations were offered and a photo taken.

AWARDS Trophies were prepared and awarded by Joyce Young.

- 1 Nicholas Young 4 out of 6 special awards at the Picton Fair, Friend of the Earth. (All the youth at the 4H Awards Ceremony received Friend of the Earth. Dawnita Handley is Junior Gardener of the Year.)
- 2 IRIS AWARD- Judith Young- for submitting in every category
- 3 MAYOR'S AWARD FOR BEST DESIGN-Patricia Stuckey
- 4 BEST ROSE- Kim Katanik-Kuris
- 5 HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MINI SHOW AWARD- Judith Young
- 6 BEST PEONY- Sandra Dowds
- 7 BANKERS OF PICTON NOVICE AWARD Peter and Dini Kempenaar
- 8 PHYLLIS TURPIN -Pat Stuckey
- 9 VEGETABLES-Sherrie Brown

Ingrid gave thankyou notes to the outgoing Executive members. Walter and Irene McGee were awarded a Lockyer's \$50 gift certificate for their many years of service since Aug. 1992. Meeting adjourned.

Next and 1st meeting of newly formed executive-Tues., Dec. 4'12, 1:00 PM Firehall upstairs.