

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
2023– 2025 FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING MINUTES
Hybrid, at Headquarters
Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 11:00 AM CDT

Call to Order and Welcome: President Brenda Moore called the ninety-fifth fall Board of Directors Meeting of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. to order at 11:04 AM CDT on September 19, 2024.

Inspiration: The inspiration was given this morning by Robin Pokorski, Membership & Leadership Committee

Introductions: The President introduced the former NGC Presidents who were present in person or via Zoom, and our current NGC Officers.

Region Directors attending in person or by Zoom are: Lynne Ehnert - Central Region; Monica Hansen Central Atlantic Region; Debby Cooper - Deep South Region; Susan Miner - New England Region; Carol Norquist - Pacific Region; Robbie Kupper - Rocky Mountain Region; Carcille Burchette - South Atlantic Region, and Sarah McReynolds - South Central Region.

Credentials Report/Quorum: Suzanne Potts, Credential Chair

The voting strength is 180 and the Chair declared a quorum present, which was approved as presented.

Approval of Rules of The Board of Directors Meeting: Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian. The “Rules of the Board of Directors Meeting” were read and adopted.

Adoption of agenda: The agenda was adopted as corrected.

Committee to approve minutes: The President appointed the following committee to approve the minutes of this meeting -

Gerianne Holzman, Second Vice President, Chair
Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian
Bud Qualk, Corresponding Secretary

Report of the committee appointed to approve the minutes:

Gerianne Holzman, reported that the minutes of the Pre-Convention June 4, 2024, Board of Directors’ meeting were approved and distributed.

Acceptance of Resignations without objection:

Robbie Kupper - 2025 Convention Chair
Chris Martin - 2025 Convention Vice Chair
Patty Arndt - 3rd Vice President

ACCEPTED WITH REGRET

Ratification of Appointments:

Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian

Robin Pokorski, Membership and Leadership Committee Chairman

Carol Norquist, Virtual Committee Chairman

Becky Hassebroek, Membership and Leadership Committee

Alexis Slafer, Membership and Leadership Committee

RATIFIED

Ratification of Elected NGC Third Vice President:

Susan Miner – Third Vice President for remaining 2023-2025 term of office.

RATIFIED

Reports of Officers: Copies of reports given are on file.

Other Reports: Bill Trapp, Executive Director, copy on file.

Recommendations from Executive Committee:

A. That the "Plant a Tree" (formerly known as Penny Pines) minimum donation shall be \$50. Donations will include 10% transaction fee.

RATIFIED

B. That the following be approved for membership to NGC as International Affiliate Clubs:

#730 Escuelas Educacionales del NGC en Peru – Peru

#731 Club de Jardinaria Virtual la Union - Argentina

RATIFIED

C. That the 2025 Convention in Omaha, Nebraska be cancelled, and any penalties related to the cancellation be paid.

RATIFIED

D. That the 2025 Convention be held in North Charleston, SC, from May 18 to 22, 2025.

RATIFIED

E. That the 2025 Convention budget be approved - Appendices C & D

RATIFIED

F. That the IfThen NGC Student Portal proposal be accepted as recommended by staff. Appendices E & F.

RATIFIED

Report of the 2023-2025 Nominating Committee: Betty Cookendorfer, Chair.
The Nominating Committee reports the Salte of Officers which will be voted on at the 2025 Convention:

- First Vice President: Gerianne Holzman
- Second Vice President: Suzanne Andrego
- Third Vice President: Susan Miner
- Recording Secretary: Monica Hansen
- Treasurer: Lynette Jeffres

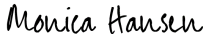


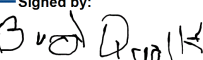

Invitation to 2025 Convention and Board Meeting in North Charleston, South Carolina: Invitation presented by President-elect Donna Donnelly.

Reports of Chairmen:
Robin Pokorski, Membership & Leadership Committee Chairman - Membership Mondays
David Robson - **PLANT AMERICA** Grants Chairman

Announcement: Reformatted Membership Mondays will be held the 1st Monday of the month at 2:00 PM EDT starting October 7 through the end of this term with no meeting in December.

Date of future Board of Directors’ Meetings: May 20, 2025, 2:30 pm
NGC Convention - North Charleston, South Carolina.

Adjournment: There being no further business, President Brenda Moore adjourned the meeting at 12:36 PM CDT

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Monica Hansen, Recording Secretary	Date
<div>Signed by:  <small>320E4DB15F874C2...</small></div>	11/5/2024
Brenda Moore, President	Date
<div>Signed by:  <small>8EC610A53F974FF...</small></div>	11/7/2024
Gerianne Holzman, Second Vice President	Date
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Bud Qualk, Corresponding Secretary	Date
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Greg Pokorski, Parliamentarian	Date