

Minutes – 05/05/2026 – Garden Club Business Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 10am.

1. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of prior meeting were approved as posted on the website. (<https://hsdcommunity.org/garden>)

2. New Visitors: New attendee Susan Pittman was introduced. Susan and her husband are interested in joining the club.

3. Treasurer's Report

- \$2,643.74
- Expenditures are on target with budget. Garden managers are buying some supplies at this time of year.
- Garden Club aprons are available to purchase for \$25.
- The club will be having an Ice Cream Social in November. Vicky requested two volunteers to assist the planning team from last year's social.

4. Old Business

- "Take your child to work day" was a big success. The children enjoyed painting the gnome pots and then planting cuttings in them. Delores thanked Billy Penn, Sara Roland and Janeice Ritchie for assisting. Bill Griffin had cleaned the greenhouse and had everything prepared and organized for the event.

• Operations Manager's Reports

East Garden – Steve Linder

- Steve reminded members tomato cages are available behind the East Garden shed. Please do not remove any cages from a garden plot. Those behind the shed are available to all.
- Gardeners from other gardens can take the cages behind the shed as well as use the tools from any garden shed as long as tools are cleaned and returned to the shed they came from.

Greenhouse – Bill Griffin

- Nothing to report this month.

Far West Garden – Kay Hampton

- Kay reported a work order was submitted for the hole under the shed.
- Please flag fire ant beds. Kay will take care of getting rid of the ants.
- Kay will be out for a couple of weeks mid-month due to a planned surgery.

Cutting Garden – Sandy Balch

- Sandy requested volunteers for maintenance issues in the cutting garden. Please contact her if you would like to help.

West Garden – Vicki Branscome

- Vicki suggested that members may want to pull onions as the varmints have begun eating the onions in the West Garden.

5. New Business

- There will be new signage in the gardens. Signs with names of the gardens and signs with garden rules will be added. General Services asked that we give specific names to the gardens to assist staff with location.
- Due to suggestions from members there may be changes to day, time and location of the monthly meetings.
- Today's program is the last program meeting until September.

6. Other Business

- Delores said the safety tip for the month is to pace yourself when working in the gardens. Be aware of the problems that high heat and humidity can cause.
- Delores led a discussion of the changes to the by-laws that will be voted on in next month's business meeting. She had a Power Point presentation included with these minutes.
- During the discussion, there were alternate suggestions from members regarding by-laws changes to the lottery process.

- The final proposals will be distributed by 5/20/2026 and voted on in the June business meeting.
- Please get your comments and suggestions to Delores by 5/15/2026.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 5 2026, 10am, Arbor Room

- Highland Springs Garden Club website:
(<https://hsdcommunity.org/garden>)