Tabebuia Circle November 11, 2021 Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens Conference Room 10:15 am

The November meeting was attended by Joan Carman, Sandy Decker, Martha Hendrickson, Ingrid Jimrusti, Chris Koumas, Ruth Lange, Mary Lersch, Kathy Mann, Karen Vaina, Sharon West and Helen Goller. Sharon and Helen have been reinstated and welcomed back to the Tabebuia Circle. President Karen Vaina presided.

Karen reported that the Executive Board has met with Executive Director Nancy Turrell and agreed to guide the relandscaping of a portion of the Arts Council's building. She also read the proposed changes to the GCS bylaws, which will be voted on by the general membership.

A discussion ensued and it was decided to have the Holiday Gathering at Ingrid's house on December 17 at 5 pm. Each member will provide a dish to share, the beverage of their choice, a nonperishable food item for House of Hope, and an unwrapped toy for the annual White Doves Christmas drive. Everyone attending should bring a "white elephant, wrapped gift." It was decided that we would dispense with the December Tabebuia meeting.

A lovely tour of the Botanical Gardens, guided by a knowledgeable docent, followed the meeting. We all enjoyed the tour and learned about the history of the gardens, the plants that are found there, and the plans for the Garden's future. The gardens are very well tended and the all-volunteer staff very helpful and friendly.

The tour ended around noon.

Karen Vaina, President