

Minutes of the NOS April Monthly Meeting

March 26, 2015

Submitted by Kris Morton for Cynthia Carlson, Secretary

President Dick Phippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. He reviewed the emergency exits and emergency procedures and thanked the refreshment providers. He announced that we have started a new procedure of name tags for those who do not have one. Those with flower stickers on the tag are new members.

NOS has awarded scholarships again this year to two interns from Dr. Lawrence Zettler's Orchid Recovery Program at Illinois College. Each one will receive \$1,000. And we have another applicant from Atlanta Botanical Gardens for a scholarship. NOS members Connie and Lake Sims, Wildflower Boutique, Venetian Village Shops, have pledged \$500 toward this scholarship fund.

The May 7 monthly will have Guillermo Salazar, Miami, FL, and student AOS Judge in the Florida Caribbean Judging Center, will be speaking on Bulbophyllums.

Membership Chair Nanette Boerner reported that we have four new members tonight and welcomed them. Our membership now stands at 204!

Bill Overton announced a bus trip to Redlands Orchid Show on May 16th in cooperation with Southwest Florida Orchid Society: \$30 per person, picking up in Fort Myers at 7:30am and then Naples 8:30, exit 101 on Collier Blvd., (Island Drapes parking lot on Beck Blvd.,) leaving Redlands 2 pm (arriving in Naples at 4 pm.) Please talk to Bill to reserve a spot.

Vice President David Orr announced the procedures for potting exercise.

Plant Table winners were announced, raffle winners were drawn and the meeting was adjourned.