

**Minutes for Naples Orchid Society Board of Directors Meeting**

**Thursday, Apr 28, 2016, 6:30 PM**

**Conference room of AvAirPros, Suite 300, Toni Stabile Building, 5551 Ridgewood Drive, Suite 300, Naples FL 34108**

6:50 PM – Call BOD Meeting to Order—Dick Pippen

In attendance: Dick Pippen, David Orr, Lanelle Bishop, Nanett Boerner, Cynthia Bock, Kris Morton, Veronica Catrombon, Jim Rawson, Mary Jo Shivley, Sheila Demovich, Carolyn Booker, Bill Overton, Sue Roehl

**Secretary's Report** —Cynthia Bock—reading and approval of the minutes from previous meeting  
Bill Overton made motion to accept, Sue Roehl seconded, passed unanimously

**President's Comments**—Dick Pippen

Check for \$10,000 received from Naples Botanical Gardens for the Show. Dick reported that he was talking to Martin Motes about his book and Mr. Motes mentioned a special deal for orchid clubs. Dick asked the board whether we should buy 20 for \$10 each and sell them for \$15. Bill Overton so moved, Veronica seconded. Passed unanimously. Dick will order the books.  
Dick has confirmed with Krull Smith and Mac Orchids that they are interested in the next show.

**Treasurer's Report** —Nanett Boerner

Report submitted. Bank balance is about \$30k. Nanett inquired about putting the \$10k in a CD. She will research and contact Dick to be additional signer on the account.

**1<sup>st</sup> V.P.**—David Orr

David reported that he and Norm have been working on the donated vandas to divide them. He will bring them to meetings to sell. The divisions will result in about 150 plants for sale. Patrece Remmel has volunteered her lanai for growing the vandas. David will install a watering system on her lanai and she will provide the water. Once all the vandas are sold, the watering system will remain at Patrece's lanai.

David will pick up donated pots. David reported that Kit called him for assistance with the gazebo project at the Collier County Museum. David reported that much work is needed there. David reported that the program at the June meeting will be a video by Martin Motes demonstrating re-potting

techniques. He is continuing outreach to other speakers. Bill volunteered to present his mini-culture class for the June meeting. Board liked that idea. David reviewed the speaker schedule.

**2<sup>nd</sup> V.P.**—Lanelle Bishop

Lanelle reported that she has one spot left for the bus trip.

**Membership Report** — Veronica Catrombon

Veronica reported that membership roster is ready to go to the printer. Thrive will be distributed tomorrow.

**Newsletter Report** — Kris Morton

Latest newsletter has gone out. Kris asked if we want to do Orchid Doctor at Botanical Gardens next year. Board said yes.

**Publicity Officer Report**— Jim Rawson

Jim distributed bookmarks. He will bring them to the May meeting. We printed 2500. Jim asked about plans for the next sale. Sheila asked to discuss the sale during her report.

**Directors' Reports**

**3 Year Director**—Mary Jo Shively reported that she has spoken to a real estate agent about a new venue for our meetings. Dick mentioned that the time is coming to renew the agreement with the church for the meeting space. Dick raised the issue of the culture class. Dick will speak to the church about schedules for meetings and culture class (Jan 14 – Feb 18).

**2 Year Director**—Sheila Demkovich reported that only one person attended the potting program. So board decided to discontinue the program. Sheila discussed her concern for the format of the sale. She is concerned that the sale is not attracting enough people, is in competition with widely available orchids for sale, and is more work than it is worth. Profit last year was \$4,500. Board discussed the benefits of the sale and anticipates better outcomes with Jim Rawson's publicity. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat in November 12<sup>th</sup>. Dick will check with church.

**1 Year Director**—Carolyn Booker had no report

**AOS Representative**—Bill Overton

AOS sent info on 3 new webinars, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30pm on greenhouse growing by Ron McAtten. Another webinar on May 31<sup>st</sup> on Food, Sex and Alcohol: the world of Orchid pollination. June 21<sup>st</sup> by Sandra Spabota on propagating native orchids. Advance registration is required. More info is available on the AOS website. Webinars are free to AOS members.

**Webmaster Report**—Sue Roehl

No report

**Old business:**

None

**New business:**

None

**Next Meeting- June 23, 2016**

**Adjourn**