

**Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting May 5, 2016 Submitted by Veronica Catrombon,
substituting for Cynthia Bock, Secretary**

President Dick Phippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and reviewed the emergency exits and emergency procedures. He thanked the refreshment organizers, Michelle Suppes and Rose Anthony, and all those who contributed to the table this month.

Veronica Catrombon, Membership Chair, announced that we now have 200 members, including two new members, Denise Hofer, Dianne Mieras who joined that evening. Our Facebook page has 196 likes. Veronica mentioned that all NOS events and meetings are posted on Facebook (Naples Orchid Society), as well as on our website, www.NaplesOrchidSociety.org. A draft copy of the new Membership Directory was circulated so that those in attendance could review their personal information before printing. The new Directory will be available at the June meeting.

Nanett Boerner, Treasurer, has received the proceeds from our Annual Show at the Naples Botanical Garden, in the amount of \$10,000. In addition, donations have been received, including support for interns.

Lanelle Bishop, Second Vice President for Activities, announced that there is one spot open for the bus trip to Redlands International Orchid Festival on Saturday, 14 May.

David Orr, First Vice President, introduced our Speaker for the evening's program, David Junka, from Junka Bear Orchids. David brought his torch, saw and mallet and demonstrated the delicate surgery required for un-potting and dividing very mature orchids in a presentation entitled "Divide and Conquer." Many of the divisions were then donated to our raffle plants!

Plant Table winners were announced and awarded. Raffle tickets were drawn.