

Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting October 3, 2013 Submitted by Cynthia Carlson, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, reviewed the emergency exit procedures, and thanked the refreshment providers. He announced that Maria Davis has agreed to serve as Second Vice President. Show committee meets next Tuesday at 7pm in the board room in Baker Hall. Please come if you are interested in helping plan this year's show. He announced that it is time to submit ideas for the Show theme. The winner gets \$50. Dick announced that the Culture Class will start in January. Jan 11 – Feb 15, every Sat morning from 9:30 to 12:30. Participants will receive a handbook and blooming size plants. Sign up sheets are available. Cost for members is \$50, non-members \$60.

The November meeting speaker will be Rafael from Plantio la Orquidea, talking about Schomburgkias.

Monica Higgins announced that there will be a speech by Roger Hammer to speak about Orchids of Florida at a meeting of the Florida Native Society, Oct 15th at 6:30 at Naples Botanic Gardens. There is no charge for this event, although donations are welcome.

Michelle announced that she needs more people to sign up for bringing refreshments.

Nanett Boerner announced that membership is currently 234.

Treasurer Bill Overton reported that accounts \$10,602.54 in checking and 14,814.78 in savings. Nominating Committee presented its proposed slate of officers for 2014:

President: Dick Pippen

First VP: Norm Dolder

Second VP: Maria Davis

Treasurer: Bill Overton

Secretary: Cynthia Carlson

Newsletter Editor: Kris Morton Membership Chair: Nanett Boerner

Publicity Chair: Laura Stacell

Director 3 year: David Orr

Director 2 year: Lanelle Bishop

Director 1 year: Ralph Brand

AOS Representative: Marilyn Moser

Webmaster: Sue Roehl

Sue Roehl announced that she still needs more volunteers for the Sale. See the website or call Sue. Plant donations should be brought in Friday. Sale is on Sat, Nov 9 from 12-3. Norm Dolder announced that volunteers are needed on the morning of the sale to clean plants.

Director Norm Dolder introduced the speaker, Michael Polen of Art Stone Orchids, St. Petersburg, who spoke about basketing and mounting orchids. The plant table winners were announced. Raffle winners were announced. The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.