BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Monthly Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2024
Forest Glen Golf and Country Club Community Center

President, Richard Davenport, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance were Richard Davenport, Marie Harris, Sue Roehl, Jim Rawson, Karen Davenport, Rae Jean Walker, Linda Van Blerkom, David Orr, and Chuck Ferber.

1. The Minutes from the May 14, 2024, meeting were reviewed. (There was no Board meeting in June). Marie Harris moved to approve the Minutes, Rae Jean Walker seconded and the motion passed.
2. Treasurer, David Orr, reported there is $19,817.23 in the NOS checking account and $36,915.44 in CD's.
3. Marie Harris, Membership Chair, reported NOS currently has 240 members. She also advised the Board that NOS would once again be participating in the Master Gardener Yard and Garden Show at the IFAS Extension Center with setup on Friday, 10/25, and the Show on Saturday and Sunday, 10/26 and 10/27. She will be coordinating volunteers for this event.
4. Richard Davenport reminded attendees that open positions on the Board include First Vice President, Publicity Chair and Treasurer. Marie Harris discussed having members who are seasonal residents on the Board. After some discussion, it was decided that there could be Co-Chairs so that the position would be covered year- round.
5. Kris Morton reported to the Board via email that the American Orchid Society is looking for 18-25 year-old orchid enthusiasts for AOS Outreach Programs. It was decided that perhaps they should contact high schools and colleges.
6. Karen Davenport discussed the procedures for the August Orchid Repotting Meeting. Upon receiving their membership badges, members will then receive a plant, pot, pencil, pencil sharpener, gloves, and plant tag for the repotting session. Orchiata will be provided on each table and Board and other NOS members will demonstrate how to repot the orchids. There will be no Raffle Table at this meeting since all members will be receiving an orchid. If there are guests who would like to participate and receive a plant, they can pay $20.00 to NOS.
7. Stu Rubin advised the Board that our September Speaker, Fred Clarke, has cancelled his fall trip to Florida and thus to our meeting. Jim Rawson contacted Philip Hamilton of Bredren Orchids who will be our September speaker.
8. The next Board Meetings will be on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, and Tuesday, September 17, 2024. Both meetings will be in the Forest Glen Golf and Country Club Community Center.
9. Rae Jean Walker moved to adjourn the meeting, Marie Harris seconded, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

SHOW COMMITTEE MINUTES

1. Jim Rawson discussed the goals for the 2025 Show. All aspects of Show preparation will begin earlier this year. The Theme "Orchids In The Garden" has been selected and design work has begun.
2. Jim Rawson has asked Marie Harris to help with publicity for the Show and he is in the process of selecting other Show Committee Members. So far other members include Richard Davenport, Stu Rubin and Karen Davenport.
3. Marie Harris discussed the costs for our marketing design work from Graphic Designer, Brian Christopher. For the past two years, his work has been pro bono. Going forward, and after reviewing current marketing costs, Marie suggested we offer Brian 50% of his total design expenses, or approximately $1500.00. Marie moved to pay Brian approximately $1500.00, Sue Roehl seconded and

the motion was passed, with Karen and Richard Davenport abstaining. The $1500.00 pro bono portion of the design expense will be treated as a sponsorship.

4. Jim Rawson discussed current vendor entry fees and suggested we increase the amount to $1000.00. The Board approved this increase.
5. Chuck Ferber moved to adjourn the meeting, Sue Roehl seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Davenport, Secretary