

June 9, 2021
The Home of Lanelle Bishop
82 Fountain Circle
Naples, Florida 34119

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm.

In attendance: Richard Davenport, Sheila Demkovich, Sue Roehl, Dick Pippen, Kris Morton, Jim Rawson, Cynthia Bock, Lanelle Bishop, Rae Jean Walker, Carolyn Booker

Minutes from April 2021 board meeting were approved unanimously.

1. Monthly reports for May, 2021 – Treasurer, Membership: reports of accounts were circulated; updated

asset report was circulated. \$60,963.14 in CDs; Sheila prepared a job description to help with finding her replacement. Accounts signatures need to be changed.

2. Staffing needs

a. Treasurer

b. Membership - division into three separate functions per Veronica Catrombone proposal memo

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Rae Jean offered to help sign up volunteers to set at front desk at each meeting; it would be nice to provide nametags at meetings

c. Plant registration staff – need more people at that desk

d. Food service chair – need volunteers

3. Orchid Doctor – progress report – Kit was able to get volunteers and speakers for next several meetings.

4. Orchid culture classes in Winter 2022

a. Location – rental? – NBG is willing to provide a room for meetings at no charge

b. Class pricing, members and non-members - \$65 members and \$95 non-members

c. Staffing & speakers – Dick has all materials and presentations on flash drive and will share them

(to be uploaded to NOS folder on OneDrive); Dick thinks the following would be good

speakers: Elaine for oncidium; Karen will do catlya; Jim Longwell will do vandas; Eunice for dendrobium and David Orr for Pahleanopsis; Dick suggests we do need someone to organize and coordinate.

d. Computer and projector support – new computer

e. Hand outs and other printed materials – all on flash drive; to be uploaded to NOS folder on OneDrive

5. Member meeting speaker calendar:

a. July: Dr. Larry Zetler and Dr. Chandler;

b. August: Ryan Kowalzick, on how to set up your collection (he is a North Central judge)

c. Sept: Philip Hamilton (pending his availability); Labor Day is the 6th, meeting would be on 2nd,

or if after Labor Day on the 9th.

d. Oct – open (maybe Jim Roberts)

- e. Nov: Fred Clarke
- f. Dec: Holiday party
- g. Jan: show related
- h. Feb: ????
- i. Proposal to increase vendor honorarium from \$250.00/ per speaking engagement to \$350.00 + \$50.00 gas=\$400.00
 - i. Historic information is that other orchid societies pay only \$200
 - ii. In the past we paid either gas or overnight plus feeiii. Higher fee would encourage more speakers; Jim recommends \$300
 - iv. Motion to raise speaker payments to \$300, plus room or mileage, plus wholesale price for plants; plus \$35 for green tag plant; and provide a gift card of \$50 as a “thank you” for local volunteer speakers and for orchid doctor; motion by Jim Rawson, seconded by Lanelle Bishop, passed unanimously

6. NOS / NBG February 2022 Show

- a. Memorandum of Understanding with NBG
 - i. Draft was distributed to board for review; discussion followed
 - ii. Need to discuss the financial example in draft which shows sponsors, vendors and raffle income on the chart; in the past those were NOS income only, not shared with NBG
 - iii. Jim will continue discussions
- b. Show location within NBG – show in Kapnick; vendors outside
- c. Number of vendors, type, entry fee pricing structure; could have more vendors but need to determine how many this market can support
- d. Vendor display requirements – rather than do large vendor displays, suggested an oversized table top; this would allow easier crowd flow and allow for more displays about orchid conservation etc.
 - i. Proposed map of room will be prepared
- e. AOS judging arrangements - Judging info is on jump drive that Jim has; to be uploaded to NOS folder on OneDrive
- f. Registration team
- g. Display set up & take down
- h. Awards tracking and payment – on Dick’s jump drive to be uploaded to OneDrive
- i. AOS award photography – selected by us; Dick suggested Tom Kowolski; need to find out his fees
- j. Dates: Feb 25, 26 & 27th
- k. Need show theme

7. Need for new Board meeting location

a. Rae Jean offered the clubhouse at her community; she will check

8. NOS Holiday party

a. Location: Moorings Presbyterian Church reserved for December 2, 2021

b. Pot luck vs. catering – Covid restrictions in December are unknown

i. Lanelle

will research cost

c. Holiday plant gifts

9. Schedule for next Board meeting

a. Jul 22 at 7pm; location TBD

Adjourned at 8:40 pm