

Forest Glen Golf and Country Club Community Center

Meeting called to order by President Richard Davenport at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Richard Davenport, Sue Roehl, Carolyn Booker, David Orr, Dick Pippen, Marilyn Moser, Lanelle Bishop, Karen Davenport, Rae Jean Walker, Jim Rawson, Steve Burdette, Chuck Ferber, Suzanne Fundingsland, Stu Rubin and Marie Harris.

1. Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2023 reviewed and approved.
2. Officer Reports:
 - a. Treasurer David Orr passed out copies of NOS bank statements to the Board. He reviewed 2022 finances.
 - b. Membership Chair Suzanne Fundingsland advised there are 250 NOS members. While she is out of the country February and March, David Orr and Stu Rubin will be greeters at the monthly meetings where David will accept membership dues. Suzanne advised that only about 50% of members have renewed. An Eblast reminder will be sent to all members reminding them about renewing their 2023 membership.
 - c. Publicity Chair Mary Jo Shively was not present.
 - d. Education Chair Steve Burdette advised he would be the Orchid Doctor for our February meeting.
 - e. Monthly Meeting Setup/Take Down: Marie Harris advised that it has been difficult to get members to sign up.
 - f. New Business: Richard Davenport discussed the email from Jackie Wood of the West Palm Beach Judging Center located at Flamingo Gardens. She asked if our Club members might consider gifting the Judging Center with plants for their Auction to be held Sunday, February 26. After discussion, Sue Roehl moved to donate \$1000.00 to the WPBJC and Carolyn Booker seconded. The motion passed. Our February Newsletter will include information regarding donations to the WPBJC.
 - g. Culture Classes: Dick Pippen advised that allowing applicants to use Paypal has worked very well. There were discussions regarding our Handbook that was written by Dick Pippen which is included with the Culture Class. Carol Holdren of the WPBJC has purchased these books for the Center's use. There was discussion regarding the Motes Handbook and that NOS has ordered three cases for \$600.00. Rae Jean moved to approve this purchase, Stu Rubin seconded and the motion passed. Jim Rawson will pick the books up at the Tamiami Orchid Festival.
3. Future Board of Director Meeting Dates at the Forest Glen Golf and Country Club Community Center: February 8, March 8, April 12 and May 10.
4. Carolyn Booker moved to adjourn the meeting. Marilyn Moser seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING Meeting Minutes

1. Stu Rubin called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.
2. Lanelle Bishop discussed and asked for a Food Budget of \$1800.00 for the entire show. Karen Davenport moved to approve and Rae Jean Walker seconded. The motion passed. Lanelle also discussed the logistics.
3. Stu Rubin distributed Rack Cards for the Show. He also discussed sponsors and donations for the 2023 Show. He asked for help calling past sponsors/contributors. Karen Davenport will help.
4. Marie Harris advised there are still many "Time Slots" that need to be filled for the Show.
5. Karen Davenport that advised she and Marilyn Moser would be creating three orchid baskets for **each** day of the Show but that Gift Cards/Donations would not be in orchid baskets.
6. Jim Rawson:
 - a. Passed out and reviewed the Vendor Map for the Show. There will not be a sixth plant vendor.
 - b. Advised that we have five confirmed judges and need at least twelve.
 - c. Advised that AOS judging would begin on Friday, Feb 24 at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 11:50 a.m. Clerks will need to arrive at 8:30 a.m. The Show will open promptly at noon.

- d. There will be another meeting with Show Committee members and NBG representatives on January 18 at the Garden.
7. Carolyn Booker and her husband will bring the NOS trailer to the Garden on Tuesday night, the day before Show setup.
8. Marilyn Moser: Discussed Show Registration, computer and personnel needs for Thursday's plant registrations.
9. Jim Rawson advised that the TV ads are completed and will air the week before the Show. The February issue of the AOS monthly magazine will include a copy of our Rack card advertising our Show. There will be ads in Florida Weekly and on the digital version of Gulfshore Life.
10. Jim Rawson advised that the Garden will be doing the Signage for us saving \$1600.00. He also advised that our Show still does not appear on the Garden calendar.
11. Richard Davenport discussed inviting the South West Florida Orchid Club to participate in our Show; registering plants and volunteering alongside NOS and Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance members. Jim Rawson moved to invite SWFOC to participate, Lanelle Bishop seconded and the motion was passed. Richard Davenport will send an invitation to Gary and Barbara Murza.
12. Carolyn Booker moved to adjourn the meeting and Richard Davenport seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.