The Naples Orchid Society Minutes of the meeting, August 2, 2018.

Submitted by Cynthia Bock, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. He reviewed the emergency exit procedures and thanked the refreshment committee and Mary Jo Shivley for coordinating. He encouraged members to sign up for refreshments for future months. Our September meeting will be Sept. 6 and Mac from Mac's Orchids will be the speaker.

Membership Chair, Veronica Catrombon, reported that we have 340 followers on Facebook and 183 members.

Treasurer Sheila Demkovich submitted a report of $13,398.22 in checking and $23,450.09 in money market.

Kit Kitchen Maran reported on the activities of the 2 interns collecting data on ghost orchids in Panther Refuge. This is the 4th year of data collecting. Dr. Mujica was unable to come from Cuba. They found 73 new ghost orchid plants, 95 were lost. That makes 473 plants total in the Refuge. 40 are flowering and there are several seed capsules.

David Orr introduced our speaker, Thanh Nguygen, of Springwater Orchids, in Melbourne, , who spoke on aphiopedilum culture and care.

Plant Table winners were announced, and raffle winners were drawn.

Meeting adjourned.