New Hampshire Orchid Society

Board of Directors Meeting

November 09, 2019

**Attendance**

Present: President: Anita Walker; Past President: Steve Tacopina; Vice President: Dan Demers; Treasurer: Andrea Deachman; Trustees: Lee Brockmann, Sue Labonville, and Secretary: Susan Usseglio;

Absent: Trustee: Bob Cleveland

Committee Chairs

Guests:

**Opening**:

* President called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM.
* Motion made to accept October meeting minutes; motion made by Andrea Deachman, seconded by Lee Brockmann - motion passed.
* Review of the By-Laws: Reviewed and made notation and changes from Article I thru Article VI. Review will continue at the next board meeting.
* Handbook has been tabled until completion of the By-Laws has been reviewed, updated and changed by vote of the membership.
* Update on NHOS Show dates and venue –Venue for the 2020 Annual show (A Bounty of Orchids) has been decided upon and deposit given to Falls Event Center, 21 Front Street, Manchester, NH. Date (last weekend in March 2020) remains the same.
* NH Symphony house tour: Date for this year’s tour will be December 7 and 8. Anita Walker and Sue Andersen will do setup. Please let them know if you have any plants for the display.
* Update on St. Anselm – Steve Tacopina to investigate with Dr. Eric Berry on the viability of including orchids in their greenhouse.
* Our Holiday party/mini auction and Orchid judging will be held the first Saturday in December (12/07) and will be at the Bethany Chapel in Manchester, NH.
* IPA for 2020 – A decision must be made ASAP on whether or not to host IPA in 2020. Ideas are welcomed on how to promote more attendance thru advertising. Society may want to provide ideas on agenda items.
* **Vice President**:
* Speaker Schedule
  + - January 2020 – Joanna Eckstrom
    - February 2020 -
    - March 2020 – Annual show set-up
    - April 2020 – New Members meeting repotting and mounting clinic
    - May 2020 – Member Auction
    - June 2020 – Alan Koch - Gold Country Orchids
    - July 2020 – Peter Tobias
    - August 2020 – Picnic
    - September 2019 – IPA
    - October 2019 – Kim Fedderson - Fair Orchids
    - November 2019 – Gary Meyer – Columbian Orchid Imports
    - December 2019 – Christmas Party
* We also need someone to host speakers for future meetings.

**Treasurer**

* Treasurers Report:
* Books received by Treasurer. Net Worth – $48,955.64; Checking Account: $26,230.91; Expense Manifest: $3,307.78. Motion made to accept the Treasurers Report by Lee Brockmann seconded by Steve Tacopina. Motion passed.
* Andy to find out Name and cost of accounting firm to do our audit.

**Secretary**

**Committees:**

Annual Member Auction:

* Information needed by Carol Dishong on auction guide,. Anita will place a call to Carol.

Advertising/Publicity:

Suggestions made by Andrew Deachman for publicity for the 2020 show “A Bounty of Orchids”. Suggestions include and not limited to posting to Instagram/Facebook, creating posters for display in colleges and around the area; possibility of allowing free or reduced admission for students with a valid student id.

AOS and affiliated societies:

Conservation:

Editorial/Newsletter:

Items need to be to Leigh 2 weeks prior to meeting, this includes but is not limited to, show results, presidents message, minutes of the prior months meeting, photos and any other information that is pertinent to the membership. Members can submit articles of interest directly to Leigh.

Election:

Need a Librarian.

Hospitality:

Food provided by club members.

Library:

Membership:

142 memberships; 175 members; 33 have not renewed

Nominations:

Show:

Brenda Campbell will be the 2020 show chair.

New England Orchid shows:

CAIOS will be January 25th and 26th.

Risk Management:

Show Table:

* Suggestion made to allow 10-15 minutes following the discussion of the show table to allow questions from the membership on any cultural questions.

Website Management:

**Miscellaneous**

**New business**

Motion made to adjourn by Lee Brockmann and seconded by Steve Tacopina at 12:00 PM,-motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Secretary Susan Usseglio,