New Hampshire Orchid Society

Board of Directors Meeting

August 8, 2015

**Attendance**

Present: President Norm Selander-Carrier, Vice President Steve Smyrychynski, Treasurer Sasha Crotty, Secretary Adrienne Giovino, Trustees Leigh Coolidge, Bob McGrath, Jim Petry, and William Schinella

Absent: Past President Mike Mattozzi

Committee Chairs: Jean Hallstone, Show Chair

Guests:

**Opening**:

Norm called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM. Steve made a motion to approve the July 2015 board minutes as amended; Leigh seconded the motion; the motion carried.

**President**

* The nominating committee has put forward Steve Tacopina as a candidate for vice president.
* We should consider moving our annual meeting to another month from the current September. Sasha suggested August. This was tabled for a vote with new board.
* We will now host our newsletter on the website as we get more storage space from Wild Apricot; Sasha will transfer them from Daryl’s server to ours.
* The AOS Northeast Judging Center asked us for a donation. Leigh suggested $250. This was added to expense manifest.
* Discussion on advertising in our newsletter or website. If it is orchid related, of interest to our membership and not a business, we can include them in the newsletter. Sue got an email from someone who wanted to sell orchid books; Adrienne will add it to our website.

**Vice President**

* Speaker Schedule

Waiting to hear from Darrin

* + August – Picnic at the Crislers
  + September – IPA Focus on Phals Day
  + October – Members’ Auction
  + November – Art Chadwick, Chadwick Orchids, speaking on Cattleya
  + December – Holiday party with AOS judges December 5 at Bedford Old Town Hall
  + January – Darrin Norton has been asked
* Do we want to limit the number of plants a member can sell at the member auction?
  + It’s more important to get more members to attend the auction than limit the number of plants each can sell.
  + Can send an Evite, Leigh will put it in local papers, Adrienne will add it to the MOS website; we can ask expert growers for a division of some of their rare plants.

**Treasurer**

* The expense manifest was $594.58. We have $35,628.77 in total assets with $12,983.51in checking. Leigh made a motion to accept the expense manifest. Bill seconded. The motion was approved.
  + Do we want to make a donation to a childrens’ orchids book? Discussion was tabled for next month.
  + Steve made a motion to amend the manifest to $704.58 to add the AOS trophy and judging fee. Sasha seconded. The motion passed.

**Secretary**

* Nothing to report

**Committees**

Annual Auction:

Advertising/Publicity:

AOS and affiliated societies:

Conservation:

Editorial:

Election:

Hospitality:

Library: We have Saunders books in our storage space; we will auction them in October or donate them. If there is a list, they can be added easily to our auction site.

Membership: We have 168 memberships

Nominations:

Show:

* Jean Hallstone reported that Brenda is onboard as our show chair. The application for AOS show judging has been completed and can be paid for next month along with the show trophy for a total of $110. We added it to the expense manifest.
* Jane Hoyt, our show registrar, is moving to Florida. We will need a replacement. Jean has someone in mind.
* A show meeting will be scheduled in September

New England Orchid Shows:

* CTOS – Oct 15 set up, breakdown Oct 18
* MOS – Nov 5 set up, breakdown Nov 8

Risk Management:

Show Table:

Website Management:

**Miscellaneous**

**New business**

Steve moved to adjourn the meeting with Sasha seconding the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Giovino, Secretary