New Hampshire Orchid Society

Board of Directors Meeting

March 10, 2018

**Attendance**

Present: President Andrea Deachman; Vice President Bob Richter; Past President Steve Smyrychynski; Trustees: Anita Walker, Jim Petry, Lee Brockmann,; Treasurer Sasha Crotty; Secretary Susan Usseglio;

Absent: Trustee Adrienne Giovino

Committee Chairs

Guests:

**Opening**:

* President called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.
* Motion made to accept February meeting minutes; motion seconded; passed.
* IPA Meeting to start at 9:00 9:30 for sales talks to start at 10:00AM.
* Review of the By-Laws and Handbook has been tabled.
* Each person can review the handbook for discrepancies and discussion to take place at a later date.
* Andrea having trouble with Google Groups.
* Nutmeg Orchid Show March 16 – 18, 2018 setup-breakdown needed. We need volunteers and plants for this show. Registration must be done by 9PM Wednesday night before the show, it was agreed that we will register the exhibit only if we participate. If there isn’t any interest from the membership for the setting up and breaking down at this show along with the transportation of plants (if available) then we will not participate. Issue to be brought up at the General Meeting, if no takers then we will forfeit attendance.

**Vice President**:

* Speaker Schedule
  + - December 2017 – Holiday Party
    - January 2018 – Francisco Alevanda
    - February 2018 - Annual Show Set-up
    - March 2018 – New Members meeting
    - April 2018 – Open
    - May 2018 – Member Auction
    - June 2018 – Jason Fisher
    - July 2018 – Barry Wolf (new addition)
    - August 2018 – Picnic
    - September 2018 – IPA
    - October 2018 – Thomas Sanflew
    - November 2018 – Allen Koch
    - December 2018 – Christmas Party
  + Most of the speakers needed for 2018 have been selected but questions still needing to be determined.
* Bob unable to open and edit show table page for 2018 on the website. Issue to be investigated.
* Plants for the May Auction to be retrieved from Bob’s greenhouse. Method of transportation and by whom to be determined.
* Lee Brockmann will send addresses to Bob of members needing a paper copy of the newsletter. Leigh will send a PDF file to Bob of the newsletter for forwarding to these members.

**Treasurer**

* Treasurers Report: Net Worth: $58,252.76; Checking Account: $35,520.69; Expense Manifest: $1,314.19. Motion made to accept Treasurers report (Steve), seconded (Bob) – motion passed.
* Sasha’s employer matched her $95.00 trophy donation for a total of $190.00.

**Secretary**

**•** Nothing to report

**Committees:**

Membership:

We have a total of 16 new memberships for a total of 25 new members = 190 total members.

Advertising/Publicity: Anita will upload to website information she gathered when doing the Annual show’s advertising. We are in need of a Chairperson.

AOS and affiliated societies:

Conservation:

Donation to North American Orchid Conversation Center. Treasurer to provide research and amount of donation. Per Treasurer maximum donation to this point has been $1,000.00. Current balance is $4,400.00.

Annual Members Auction:

Carole Dishong has volunteered to be this year’s chairperson with assistance from Susan Usseglio and Norm Selander-Carrier. Steve Smyrychynski has provided information that he had accumulated from last year’s auction. Letter to be sent out to Vendors in April for donations. Committee to prepare written documentation for future use.

Editorial:

Election:

Hospitality: .

Food needed.

Library:

Dollar amount for Library materials needing to be provided to Theresa (new Librarian).

Newsletter:

Items relating to the newsletter need to be to editor two weeks prior to the meeting. Included, but not limited to, are show table results, President’s message, Minutes of prior general months meeting, photos and any other information pertinent to the membership.

Nominations:

Show:

New England Orchid Shows:

Nutmeg Orchid show 3/17-3/18 – set-up 3/16 – volunteers needed.

Conservation:

A donation of $500.00 will be made to North American Orchid Conservation Center from NHOS.

Risk Management:

Show Table:

Website Management:

We discussed the possibility of linking the NHOS website into the Facebook software for more club exposure. Problems are still being encountered with 2018 web page.

**Miscellaneous**

**New business**

Motion made (Susan) and seconded (Bob) to reimburse The Brockmann’s ($60.00) for hospitality in conjunction with the Nutmeg Show. Motion passed.

Motion made (Anita) and seconded (Bob) to adjourn the meeting at 11:29, motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Secretary Susan Usseglio,