

San Diego County Orchid Society
Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Date: September 8, 2022

Location: Zoom, a virtual meeting application

Attendees:

Deborah Halliday	President
David Vandebroek	First Vice-President
Ashley Grable	Second Vice-President
Jack Schaefer	Secretary
Myra DeTate	Treasurer
Carey McCoy	Director-at-Large
Stewart Walton	Director-at-Large
Sima Perkins	Director-at-Large
Kay Klausing	Past President

Guest(s):

Deryl Addison

With 7 members present, a quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 7:03 PM.

Kay joined at 7:07 PM

The minutes of the August Board of Directors meeting were approved via email.

President Debby Halliday noted that the September meeting was conducted on Zoom & in person. 9 people joined the meeting on Zoom.

The September meeting was delayed a bit because the presentation for the evening was not easily loaded onto the Society's laptop. The board discussed ways of getting the presentation preloaded before the meeting started.

It was noted that the motions

1: to donate \$5000 to OCA

2: to purchase NTE \$825.00 Sales Equipment for our Square systems

were passed by the General Meeting.

It was also noted that our By-Laws forbid the use of our membership email system for any outside purpose. The motion passed by the Board in August is therefore void.

The presentation by Rene Van Rems was very good. While it did not focus specifically on orchids, Rene used this year's Botanic Garden Orchid Show to show artistic concepts of displaying orchids.

1st VP David reported that finding a speaker for the October meeting was in progress.

2nd VP Ashley reported that she was considering a couple of people for the October Culture Class.

President Debby moved that we purchase a new sandwich board for the park shows. The motion was seconded. During the discussion we decided to ask Carol Kerr about getting a 2nd sandwich board or perhaps more feather signs. The

motion passed. Debby will discuss this with Carol Kerr.

On the topic of upgraded audio gear for the Room 101 & Patio A presentations, Kay reported that the equipment was purchased and the Room 101 microphone was used at the September meeting. He also commented that there exists a converter to take the blue tooth microphone to a plugin that will plug into the existing wall sockets. Kay agreed to order the Mic/Bluetooth adapter.

Sales Commission for Park Shows.

There was discussion on this topic. Myra reported on her conversation with the SDBGF. Debby commented that she wanted to lower the commission and let the vendors know that we are doing this. Debby moved to change the commission to 15%. The motion was seconded and passed.

Spring Show Planning

Debby reported that the Spring Show Committee meeting would be held on the 18th at 9AM at her home. She reported that 5 vendors had accepted invitations to participate in the show.

She noted the conflict with the Southcoast Plaza Sale on the same dates, however it was pointed out that the Southcoast Plaza event is a sale only and is not an orchid show, so there would be no judging at the Southcoast event.

Also, she noted that the AOS will be holding their quarterly membership meeting here in San Diego on that weekend and will participate in the AOS judging activities.

Debby asked that the 2023 activity dates be updated on the website.

There was a discussion of the Spring Show planning. It was suggested that a column for the newsletter should be written explaining the progress we have made in planning. Debby volunteered to write the column and get it to David in time for the October Newsletter.

San Diego Floral Assn Festival in the Park –

Debby reported that our application for a booth at the SDFFA's October Festival had been accepted. We are awaiting more details. Debby stated that she would not be in San Diego during this period and requested volunteers to help staff the activity. Ashley and Myra volunteered and stated they would contact Bob Clark for support. This event is being held on Patio B.

We briefly discussed access to the Society's Library.

Apparently, Ron Vallarde has the only key. It was commented that we should have more than one key.

Myra reported that she was going to have more keys made for the lock on the storage garage.

There was some discussion about the proposed dates for the next San Diego Botanic Garden Show in 2023. The proposed dates are April 24th thru June 11th. These would be difficult for us due to the proximity of our Spring Show and the following Del Mar Fair in June. We will continue to discuss dates with the SDBG.

Treasurer's Report(s) -

The Treasurer's report was presented by Myra.

Jack moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded and passed.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 PM

It was noted that the next meeting is scheduled for October 6th at 7 PM via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Schaefer, Secretary