

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

Date: March 2, 2023

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
Sima Perkins	Director-at-Large
Carey McCoy	Director-at-Large
Stewart Walton	Director-at-Large
Kay Klausing	Past President

Excused Absent: None

Guest(s): Deryl Addison

With 7 members present, a quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 7:10 PM.

The Minutes of the February 2nd 2023 meeting were approved by email.

Debby commented on Kay's Culture Class from the February meeting.

Myra reported that the new computer has arrived and been setup. A wireless microphone has been tested and works well. Bluetooth mouse also has been setup.

It was suggested that we could ask Patti Hoffmaster if she would create a setup manual showing the connections of our current Dell based system.

Comments on Tim C.'s presentation on Laelia anceps.

Stewart commented that we needed a method for documenting the physical gear that we own and use on a regular basis.

Purchase of a voice-amplifier (rechargeable, walk around hands free with small speaker). It was suggested that we purchase one for general use. Under \$50, Myra to work this.

Jack moved to authorize purchase of a voice-amplifier not to exceed \$100. 2nd & passed.

Discussion of Microsoft one drive access; I have user & password.

Treasurer's Report – Myra

Myra presented the Treasurer's report.

Jack moved to accept the Treasurer's report.

The motion was seconded & passed.

Myra – San Diego Botanic Garden Sales

The 1st and 3rd weekend are for member sales. The 2nd weekend will be for Conservation, and the 4th weekend will be for Palomar Orchid Society.

Myra would like to load our gear from the garage on Friday 3/10.

Myra discussed the use of Jack's EC EcoFlow River Pro Power Station during the January Show. She reported that it worked quite well.

Myra moved to purchase an EC EcoFlow River Pro Power Station from Amazon not to exceed \$600 for the Society's use. The motion was seconded & passed.

There was a general discussion of lighting situation on Patio B for the Spring Show.

Myra requested that Bob be asked to issue a member wide email blast concerning Member Sales for the San Diego Botanic Garden activity.

David reported that Dr Kumar Pankaj would be the main speaker for the March meeting. The topic would be 'Orchid Diversity of Hong Kong S.A.R.'. Debby and Pam will give the culture class on the Spring Show.

In April Gilberto Castro will present to both our society and Palomar Orchid Society. Kay Klausing will give the April Culture Class on water quality for orchids.

It was reported that David Hoffmaster had created the signup sheets for Spring Show for Monday. Jack will make sure they are posted on the website.

Because of various weekend conflicts, the March Spring Show Committee meeting has been moved to Monday March 20th and Monday March 27th. They will be half day meetings.

It was noted that the Spring Show budget was approved at the February General Meeting.

Debby reported that the Spring vendors are mostly firm with Sorrella being the only question.

Debby discussed changes to Patio B layout.

During discussion with the tent and table rental company it was recognized that the tent poles are on the periphery of the tents rather than the center. We expect the tent material to be white which will allow more light onto the vendor tables.

There was a discussion of possible food truck for the Spring Show. This particular food truck was determined to be not good for our situation. We will get our own supplies.

Discussion of the Nominating Committee. It was reported that Pam Peters does not wish to be chairperson again this year. It

was suggested that Dave or Patti Hoffmaster might be a good chairperson. Several other names were suggested. Debby will continue to look for a chairperson.

Debby discussed the Del Mar Fair, which this year opens on June 7th and closes on July 4th. They are looking for someone to man the 'Information Booth' for a day and/or give a talk on orchids. We decided not to man an information booth.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Debby moved to adjourn. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52PM.

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

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Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Schaefer, Secretary