

Maryland Orchid Society
Board Meeting January 26, 2006

In Attendance : Barry Woolf, Lee & Ann Lundy, Joe Dockman, Cy Swett, Lorie Lee-Young, Marty Vittek, Clark Riley, Tom McBride, David & Margaret Smith, Yuko Ota, Gary Smith, Pat Cash, Laura Sobelman, Ann Minkowski, Lou Buck

Meeting called to order at 7:25pm

Treasurer's Report & Budget Committee

Marty reported that the Society is in good shape and books are balanced. Marty suggested that there be a new system put into place for monitoring the Treasurer. There was a proposal by the President that the society amend the By-Laws to create a two person position which would include a Treasurer and a Comptroller. Anyone with suggestions or comments are encouraged to send an e-mail to Lee Lundy.

Announcement

There will no longer be an Exotic Plant show at the MOS Spring Show.

Old Business

Discussion continued with the Equitable Reward System. Members who continue to volunteer time/participate in events (shows, auction, other major events) should be recognized for their hard work. It would be at the discretion of the committee chairperson (if it fits within their budget) as to what type of reward would be given.

Motion 1 - All committee chairpersons must submit a budget to be approved by the Board.

Motion voted on and passed.

Motion 2 - The chairman of the committee sponsoring the event be able to provide a souvenir to the participants in the MOS event as a Thank You for volunteering. Motion voted on and passed.

Motion 3 - The chairman of the show committee for the March 2006 Show is hereby authorized to purchase mugs to be distributed to participants. Motion voted on and passed.

New Business

Nominating Committee

There is a nominating committee for the upcoming election of new Board members. The Officer will be Lorie Lee-Young, Board Members will be Cyrus Swett and David Smith, the Member at Large will be Erin Webb.

Resignation

It is with regret that we must announce the resignation of Rachel Adams as the Newsletter Editor. The board would like to thank Rachel for her years of service and hard work. Laura Sobelman has agreed to become the new Editor and we welcome her.

Laura is in the process of designing a newsletter and there was discussion of possibly having a contest to name the Newsletter. We hope to e-mail the newsletter by PDF file in the near future to those wishing to receive it in color.

Committee Report

Each committee chairperson will be required to submit a budget to be voted on by the Board.

Database

Gary Smith continues to update our database.

Membership

Current MOS membership is 110. Notice will be printed in the Newsletter as to when dues are due.

Web site *Marylandorchids.org*

Clark Riley has updated the site with show data and Speaker list. Updates through November on show table winnings are also posted on the site. Links to sister Societies will also be added.

Library

Pat Cash & Ann Minkowski will be performing an inventory of the books in the Library very soon. Suggestions are being accepted on New acquisitions for the Library. Anyone interested in joining the Library committee should speak with Pat or Ann.

Spring Show

The Board will be mailing out member packets for the show immediately.

Program

Speaker evaluation forms will be available at the monthly meetings. Suggestions on the forms should be forwarded to Barry Woolf.

AOS

The Maryland Orchid Society is now an affiliated member of AOS. We are now receiving mailings from AOS.

Education

2006 Show & Summer Workshops are in the works, the first tentative workshop is scheduled for May 13th.

Refreshments

The Board would like to thank Barbara Buck for the delicious desserts at the January meeting.

House

Bill Soyke has requested help with putting away table at the end of each meeting.

The next Board meeting will be April 27th at 7:30pm at the home of Lorie Lee-Young. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25pm