## Minutes from April 9, 2011, Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 PM at the Scott County Public Library in Eldridge, Iowa, by President Mike Carstensen. 32 members were present. March meeting minutes were approved. Barb Papenhausen/Clay Dawson M/S/C.

**Treasurer's Report**: Treasurer Bob Moore reported a balance of \$9,173.89.

## **Old Business:**

Membership Photo Gallery: Jonathan Poulton reported that he and Keith Riewerts have been working on the "Meet the Members" photo gallery. Jonathan presented the latest draft for members present to review and confirm their picture with their name. There are 81 members in the gallery. A free copy of "Meet the Members" will be given to all members (1 per couple). However, it will not be mailed to members but will need to be picked up at future meetings, beginning in May. A motion was made and approved to order 100 copies from Office Depot for \$285 plus sales tax. Jack Jones/Keith Riewerts M/S/C.

**Dues:** Bob Moore read a list of the members who have not yet paid their 2011 dues. Dues should be paid by May 1.

**New Members:** Nancy Rash and Lyle Moen were present at the meeting.

**October Meeting:** A park in Iowa City was suggested as a location for the October meeting. Keith Riewerts suggested the Wilton Library. Jonathan Poulton was going to look into the Coralville Library.

Fred McDowell Memorial Garden: Barry Stoll reported the garden is on hold.

July Garden Tour: Susan Minger reported the following gardens will be on tour: Caroline and Jack Jones, Olin; the others are in Lowden--Joyce Petersen, Joyce's neighbor Ginger Pruess, who has a water wheel and pond, Barb and Rex McCreight, and Gary Oster. There are 2 options for the luncheon. Option 1: a German meal served by a private company at the Lowden Memorial Park which would be a fundraiser for the Park. Option 2: Hale Tavern in Hale, Iowa. A motion was made and approved for members to pay for their own lunch on this year's garden tour. Susan Minger/Barb Papenhausen M/S/C.

**Fall Banquet:** Scott Hansen wanted a confirmation of the date November 12 for the Fall Banquet at Riverside Casino so he could finalize the conference room reservation. The group consensus was that November 12 would the date.

## **New Business:**

**Membership Updates:** Susan Minger reported Mary Moore had surgery.

**Club Plant Requirements:** Mike Carstensen distributed a handout taken from the May 2010 newsletter regarding eligibility to receive club plants. There was extensive discussion about the requirements to be

eligible to receive a club plant in future years. It was moved, seconded, and approved that three requirements must be met (Jonathan Poulton/Barb McCreight):

- 1. members must have paid membership dues for the current and previous years (paid by April 30th of each year).
- 2. members must have attended  $\underline{two}$  meetings during the previous calendar year. The fall banquet and garden tour would not be considered as official meetings, but an additional meeting is scheduled for October.
- 3. members must have contributed to the club's activities during the previous calendar year by undertaking two of many listed activities (see below).

In accordance with these newly approved guidelines, the eligibility requirements to receive a club plant in 2012 are provided in the attached document.

**Spring Plant Sale:** Barb and Bob Papenhausen have reserved Penn Meadows Park Gazebo Park, North Liberty, May 7, for the plant sale. Cathy Moore recommended having the sale the same day and same place every year. Barry Stoll suggested not having the club plant sale during the lowa City Project Green sale. Another member commented having the plant sales on the same date could draw some buyers.

**Regional 2011 Update:** Shirley Waters is looking for a roommate for the Regional Meeting in Minneapolis in July.

**Regional 2012 Update:** No one present to give an update.

**Presentation:** Barb and Bob Papenhausen gave slide presentations of National 2011 Louisiana Regional Meeting promotion, additional 40 club plants purchased, Gardening with Daylilies from the AHS library, and an Orchids presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM. Mike Carstensen/Jonathan Poulton M/S/C.

## **Eligibility for 2012 Club Plant Distribution**

A club plant is a reward for being an active member of the club. In 2012, CVIDS will use a portion of its funds to buy some choice daylilies that will be distributed to eligible members to grow in their garden for two years. Members choose their plants in a lottery draw. Members are asked to help evaluate the characteristics and hardiness of their chosen cultivar in this area. It is expected that the member will treat their club plant with kindness yet let the plant experience the same growing conditions that make our Eastern Iowa area an unique one. In August 2014, members will keep a plant equal to the original size (number of fans) that they received and return fan increases to CVIDS for its Silent and Live Auctions that month. At that time, the largest double fan will be awarded to the highest bidder, and any additional increases will also be auctioned.

To be eligible to receive Club Plants at the 2012 Distribution, members must have:

- 1. paid membership dues for 2011 and 2012 (paid by April 30th of each year).
- 2. attended <u>two</u> meetings in calendar year 2011. Please note that the fall banquet and garden tour are not official meetings, but an additional meeting is scheduled in October 2011.
- 3. contributed to the club's activities in calendar year 2011 by undertaking two of the following:
  - donated plants to a club sale
  - assisted at CVIDS plant sales or auctions
  - bid in the Silent Auction of returning club plants
  - chaired or co-chaired a committee
  - hosted a CVIDS garden tour
  - written an article for the newsletter
  - presented a club program

If a member with eligibility to receive a plant is unable to attend the Plant Distribution, he/she may assign a proxy to select a plant for them during the drawing. However, the member must inform the Treasurer of their designated proxy prior to the Plant Distribution. If no proxy is designated, no plant will be chosen for them.