

January 8, 2022
COVIDS Club Meeting by ZOOM
President Darrin Lett

- The following are some of the COVIDS Officers and Committee Chair vacancies:
 - Secretary, Membership Chairperson, Newsletter Editor (writing and sending out).
- **Secretary minutes:** The minutes from the November 13, 2021, meeting at the Fall Banquet were written by Lyle Moen and emailed to membership. Diann Pavelka volunteered to post on Facebook. No vote for approval was taken.
- **Treasurer's report:** Shelly Lett reported a Balance of \$15,579.35 in the regular COVIDS account. The Region One meeting from 2020 and anticipated 2023 Region One is another account.
- **Scheduling audit of books:** Darrin will reach out to Jackie Westhoff to see if she would conduct an audit of the 2019-2021 financial records.
- **Scheduling 2022 meeting locations:** We discussed central locations like Iowa City/Coralville.
 - Support for the ZOOM meeting option was expressed.
 - Zoom meetings are recorded.
 - Zoom—this year and next year, Jan and Feb will be Zoom in 2022 and 2023. Love to have 9 meetings in person. Can you do Zoom or Facebook live for the meetings if people can't travel? Should be a personal decision. Trying to stay safe. Can also call in.
 - Warmer months, someone could host the meetings outside at their house. Just need electrical and a rest room, just to try to keep people involved and safe.
- **Guest speakers for 2022:** Options were discussed.
 - February Phil Fass to discuss Region 1 meeting.
- **Activities/Committee Chairs (current ones):** Let Darrin know what committee you would like to chair (not all of them are listed).
 - Plant sale
 - Spring May 7th (Muscatine, IA Heather has shelter reserved).
 - Fall (usually in Monticello)
 - Club Plant distribution/auction May 14th (Barb P) COVIDS needs a new chair to replace Barb for the 2022 club plant distribution.

- Open Gardens – replaced the club tour with the presence of COVID and restrictions for meeting in groups.
- Club plant return/silent auction/auction (Diane D - August, usually in Monticello)
- Open discussion:
 - Ways to promote CVIDS: Fliers in libraries, booths at local fairs? We need to continue our Facebook postings and promotions. We need to have an updated website. Facebook and the website were named as the top two ways to promote CVIDS.
 - Dave Kramer volunteered that booths at Garden Fairs do not recruit members for us.
 - Please send your email addresses to Darrin, buzzlett@hotmail.com, so he can make sure everyone gets the emails.

Past member Larry Rettig passed on January 4, 2022. Here's a link to his obituary: <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/thegazette/name/lawrence-rettig-obituary?id=32117629>.