Minutes of March 12, 2011, CVIDS Meeting held at Washington Public Library

The meeting was called together at 1:15 PM by President Mike Carstensen. Forty-three members answered the roll call of "What are you looking forward to with Spring?" Handouts were distributed showing Committee lists and daylilies ordered for May Distribution. February meeting minutes were approved. Clay Dawson/Jack Jones M/S/C.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bob Moore reported a balance of \$9,221.35. Printouts showing expenditures and income were available.

Nancy Carlisle volunteered to take minutes in the excused absence of Deb Hansen.

Old Business:

Membership Photos: Keith Riewerts reported on the progress for Jonathan Poulton. A photo gallery was available to view. Keith taking pictures for members present today. If you wish a different photo, please send a digital image to Jonathan (jonathan-poulton@uiowa.edu) or a copy suitable for scanning. Plan is to have hard copy available at May meeting.

Thank You for Jonathan Poulton: President Mike wished to convey to members his appreciation for all that Jonathan does for CVIDS. He recently sent a welcoming letter to persons who joined our group after the Kirkwood Gardening Fair. If you see him, appreciate him.

Memorial Garden: Lynn Stoll reports not hearing anything from Muscatine Community College in response to the request.

October Meeting: Meeting location needs to be determined. Mercy Hospital is not available.

Kirkwood Gardening Fair: Zora Ronan gave two presentations on Daylilies that were well attended. Participants expressed a lot of interest in the Spring Plant Sale with the use of a flier that was developed. Requests to include the fall date also. Thanks to all members who helped: Susan Minger, Mike Carstensen, and Deb Hansen.

Committees 2011: Each group needs to meet and determine a chairperson. Several dates need to make sure that the location has been secured. West Liberty and Monticello have been secured.

Summer CVIDS Garden Tour: Needs to be re-routed. Unable to tour the southern tier r/t Capps health is not amenable to having their garden open. Donna Denley will not be in town. Susan Minger and Nancy Carlisle volunteered to investigate alternate routes.

Newsletter: Barb Papenhausen questioned the expenditure listed for newsletters. Nancy Carlisle was paid postage for past year expenses. She stated that she had been able to get

copies made at no charge during her three years as secretary. Lynn Stoll submitted for color issues. Bob Moore stated that mailed issues are not to be color according to our membership flier. Approximately 25 issues are distributed by postal mail. Consensus of group is to send black and white mailings.

New Business:

Membership Updates: Keith Riewerts' brother passed away. Ken Messer's father passed away. Deb Hansen had an uncle who passed away. Sylvia Seymour's husband Glenn had been hospitalized with admission to Manor Care Arcadia Unit. Nancy reports that he will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 14th and requests cards be sent in care of Sylvia Seymour.

Region One Newsletter Article: Editor Kyle Billadeau requests from CVIDS an article about current events. Mike requested someone else to write up an article. Nancy Carlisle volunteered. Suggestions from the group were Regional 2012, Kirkwood Gardening Fair, membership book, and "that we are a friendly bunch that eats well." Deadline is March 31st.

Minneapolis Regional Gift Basket Donation: Zora sent a request for CVIDS to consider a donation of a basket. The committee is requesting that gift baskets be donated to help with fundraising. The winning high bid basket owner will receive a valued daylily. Suzanne Moffit and Keith Riewerts discussed that we need some showy item that includes our Regional logo to help promote 2012. Jackie Westhoff reports that the logo is being worked on and is not available yet. Issue tabled until next meeting.

Regional 2012 Funding: Jackie Westhoff requested \$2,000 to help making deposits for buses, facility, and registration plants. A separate account will be created with two persons able to sign on the account. Suzanne stated that a letter of intent from the CVIDS board is needed for the bank to open an account. Two signatures are always needed. Sylvia Seymour will be depositing the registrations, so an account near her would be advantageous. M/S/C Clay Dawson and Donna Denley to provide \$2,000 for start up costs.

Regional 2012 Business: Chair Person Jackie Westhoff thanked all volunteers that have agreed to help. Please continue to volunteer as all manpower will be welcomed. Initial budget proposal for meals is on the high side as the committee is working with the Kirkwood Conference Center. Lunch will be held at Lowell Park in an air-conditioned facility. Friday evening meal cost will be lower than the Saturday evening banquet. On Saturday, a limited continental breakfast will be available as the hotel does not have any breakfast for its guests. Plans now are for some foods and beverages to be offered in the morning gardens. Next major project is to complete a logo to begin advertizing at upcoming meetings and on the website. Bids for buses will be locked in, aware that there will be a fuel surcharge built in. Members are encouraged to attend the Regional meeting in Minneapolis to get ideas and to help with the promotion of our meeting theme ("Dazzling Daylilies of the Cedar Valley").

April Meeting: A 2012 AHS National Meeting Promotional Video has been received and will be viewed at the April meeting.

Presentation: Wanda Lunn, a member of CVIDS and the Iowa Regional Lily Society, gave an excellent presentation on "True Lilies". Wanda has served as a nationally certified lily judge.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM, Mary Moore, Susan Minger M/S/C.