

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

October 2022 Meeting Minutes

I. MEETING DETAILS

Date: 15 October 2022

Location: BioVentures Center in Coralville, Iowa

Time: 11:00 a.m. CST

Officers Present:

President: Darrin Lett

Treasurer: Shelly Lett

Secretary: Cari Rusnak

Immediate Past President: Nancy Rash

II: PRESENTATIONS

Topic: Hybridizer Roundup

Presenters:

Heather Harroun and Papenhausen at Harroun

Barb Papenhausen

Jonathan Poulton

Keith Riewerts

Jackie Westhoff

Presentations started at 12:30 p.m.

III: 2023 ADS REGION 1 PLANNING MEETING

The 2023 Region 1 Planning meeting was called to order by Darrin Lett at 11:38 a.m.

Nancy Carlisle talked about past volunteers and finding more volunteers for the Region 1 Meeting. Keith Riewerts said that more people volunteered to host open gardens, both members and non-members.

Keith Riewerts talked about the live auction. The club needs to have people donate recent introductions to this auction. Before the regional, registered members will be sent a PowerPoint with information on all the plants in the auction. It is currently planned for Saturday evening. The silent auction will open for bids at the beginning of the meeting and the silent auction will end on Saturday before the live auction begins. The silent auction will have items such as garden art, gift certificates, garden tools, statuary, and

other garden-related items. The money raised by the live auction goes to the Region 1 treasurer; the money from the silent auction will go to CVIDS. The live auction should ideally have 100-150 plants. **If you know any hybridizers who would like to donate recent introductions to the 2023 Regional Auction, please contact Keith Riewerts. If you would like to donate an item for the silent auction, please contact Keith Riewerts.**

Darrin Lett asked about money slotted for the 2020 regional that is in a separate bank account. He wanted to know where this money will go and how we are paying for the rest of the regional meeting. Keith Riewerts said that the \$150 per person registration fee will pay for the rest of it. Darrin Lett said that we don't currently have enough funds to cover the full balance owed to the hotel; how will we pay once the money runs out? Keith Riewerts said that we will be receiving registration money and that will pay the balance for the hotel. Shelly Lett asked how the money will be added to the account (such as cash, check, online). Nancy Carlisle said that this will be decided during the business meeting.

Nancy Carlisle said that registration plants are going to be plants gifted from our speakers. Keith Riewerts said that they will provide plants for both the regional and the silent auction, but the exact plants and number of plants hasn't been determined yet.

Valerie Moellwe said we should recognize the founding members (charter members) of CVIDS during the regional meeting. There are 6 currently active in the club. She also said we should recognize past presidents of CVIDS. She suggested reducing the registration fee for the Region 1 Meeting. She and her daughter are also working on a booklet with portraits and profiles for the charter members that will be available at the meeting.

The Region 1 Planning Meeting adjourned for lunch by Nancy Carlisle.

IV: BUSINESS MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Business meeting called to order by Darrin Lett at 1:11 p.m. About 20 members were present in-person and 7 members were present via Zoom.

V: OLD BUSINESS

Cari Rusnak read the August Meeting Minutes.

Diann Pavelka motioned to approve the August meeting minutes. Shelly Lett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VI: NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report:

Darrin Lett read the treasurer's report. CVIDS account has \$19,495.48 and the Regional account has \$3,458.36 - only fees and rental money has been taken out since last meeting.

Diann Pavelka motioned to accept the report seconded by Sylvia - motion passed unanimously.

Fall Banquet:

Nancy Rash said the fall banquet will be on November 12th. Like previous banquets, it will start with social time at 11 a.m. Nancy Rash has a sign-up sheet and needs to know who will attend. Guests are \$25 as a meal fee. Keith Riewerts said we do not have a speaker yet, so if you have any suggestions please contact Keith Riewertz and he will reach out to people. Barb Papenhausen gave the names Brett Clemment and Jenny Pierce as possible people to contact as the banquet speakers.

Please RSVP to the fall banquet to Nancy Rash by November 1st. If you have raffle plants or items to donate for the banquet, please contact Nancy Rash.

Membership Dues

Darrin Lett said Dues need to be paid to the secretary, Shelly Lett, for the upcoming year. Dues are the same cost as last year; \$10 per member.

Board Vacancies:

Darrin Lett said that Vice President and Treasurer terms are up, so please consider volunteering for these important positions in the club. Nancy Carlisle asked if we needed a nominating committee. Darrin Lett said that people can contact him and he will be talking to members directly about these positions.

If you have any nominations for Vice President or Treasurer, please contact Darrin Lett.

CVIDS Bylaws & Handbook Updates:

Darrin Lett said that we will table the discussion about handbook updates until the new board is seated. He hopes we will have new members and new blood in the club leadership. The topic will be brought back up in January once the new board has been elected.

New Member Ideas

Valerie Moellwe thinks we should become a 501c(3) organization. She believes that having that status would make it easier to get donations from organizations like Lowe's and Menards. Their donations could be used for larger events like the

upcoming Region 1 Meeting. First, she wants to see if we can be included under the ADS Region 1 501c(3) license. If we cannot, then she will look into paperwork so we can apply for our organization to have its own. Wanda Lunn said that being a 501c(3) means that donations to us are tax deductible, which makes getting donations easier. Keith Riewerts asked if we had a committee for this. Valerie Moellwe said that we already have all we need to apply: a board, bylaws, a website, and other things. She had documents to share showing how we meet the qualifications and showing that we only need to file the paperwork to change our status to 501c(3). Darrin Lett said we will keep this open and won't vote on it until we find out if we can be included under the ADS Region 1 501c(3). We hope to have an update at next month's meeting. **If you have anything to contribute to this topic, please contact Darrin Lett or Valerie Moellwe.**

Valerie Moellwe said she would like to recognize the charter members and past presidents of the club during the Region 1 Meeting. People attending this meeting need to know more about our club and what our roots are. She is asking if the club will donate money to make a plaque in honor of Gary Oster at Cornell, the college where many of his introductions have been planted.

Daylily Presentation

Heather Harroun made a quick presentation about branching in daylilies. She says we need a branching expert to make a presentation about branching since the literature on the national website is very dense.

VII: ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nancy Rash seconded by Valerie Moellwe. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.