

Business Meeting Minutes

Iowa City, February 8, 2020

President Nancy Rash called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m. Jackie Westhoff gave a presentation on Reblooming vs Continuous Bloom. Jackie shared a handout that explains the difference. (This presentation was scheduled for the January meeting, which was cancelled due to bad weather.) Jonathan Poulton gave a presentation on his and Susie's trip to England and Germany this past August.

Business meeting – Nancy called the business meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

Secretary's report: Nancy asked for any changes or additions to the November business meeting minutes, of which there were none. Keith Riewerts made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes, Mary Jo Duffy seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Susie read a note from Luella Johnson explaining that she will not be renewing her membership to CVIDS due to her husband's health.

Treasurer's report: Shelly Lett reported a healthy balance in the club's treasury after paying for club plants that will be distributed in May.

Webmaster's report: Jonathan Poulton reported that the website is almost officially transferred to Mary Jo Duffy, the club's new Webmaster. It is time to renew our domain name cvids.org and host GoDaddy. Total cost is \$386.00/3 years, which is \$63 for our domain name (cvids.org) and \$323 for hosting (Economy Windows Hosting with Plesk - 100 Gigabytes). About \$130 per year. Jonathan made a motion to continue with GoDaddy for the next three years. Mary Jo seconded motion. All members were in favor. Shelly asked if she could make this renewal directly rather than Jonathan pay and be reimbursed. Diann Pavelka has agreed to keep the club's Facebook page updated.

President's updates/announcements/requests:

Nancy reported that Suzanne Moffit is not renewing her membership. Linda Jones will take on Suzanne's role in sending cards and notes to CVIDS members. Nancy thanked Linda for accepting this position. Please let Nancy or Linda know of members' concerns. Nancy asked that members sign a Thank You card on the back table for Suzanne.

Nancy reminded members that there are sign-up sheets for club activities and nominating committee in the back of the room. There needs to be nominating committee to find members interested in running for President and possibly Secretary in 2021-22. Nancy asked if anyone might be interested in taking over the Secretary and Membership duties from Susie. This person could train with Susie and take over once Susie moves and then can be the secretary next year if they choose to continue. A Membership Chair is also needed now, to replace Jonathan. The Secretary keeps meeting minutes, collects membership applications and keeps a membership database. Currently Jonathan sends a "Welcome" email to new members, gives them a member directory, and welcomes new members at club meetings and events. The directory will need to be updated this year.

Dave Kramer is requesting help with the Winter Gardening Fair on Feb. 15th at Kirkwood. Scott Feddern said that he will help in the morning, and Karen Keeney also said that she would help.

Heather developed a new CVIDS member brochure, which includes photos from the club's photo contest winners.

Nancy announced that the rent for West Liberty fairgrounds increased to \$300/day, which is where we have the plant distribution in May. We try very hard to have low cost or no rental fee locations for meetings. Barb

Papenhausen said that she will organize ahead of time so that we will NOT need to have a set-up day on the Friday. The board has agreed that this year we will rent the facility for just one day, doing set up on Saturday morning and proceed as usual. We will explore other options for future years. Several low/no rent locations have been identified.

Nancy thanked Keith for facilitating the 2020 planning meeting prior to the business meeting this morning. Keith reminded people to sign up for different committees/tasks.

Nancy asked members who are also members of AHS/ADS to raise their hands, which was the majority of the members present today. There is recognition or some award to clubs depending on the percentage of their membership who also join AHS/ADS.

Member updates: Nancy asked if members had any updates on members' health. The only news about Larry Rettig is that he is home. Nancy sent email to his wife, but she did not respond.

Door prizes: Many members donated door prizes today. The door prizes were won by Barb McCreight, Jonathan Poulton, Gary Oster, Scott Feddern, Shelly Lett, Caroline Jones, Barry Stoll and Sherry Moffitt

Next meeting: March 14, Williamsburg St Mary Catholic Church. Susan Daufeldt of Conroy, will present Bonsai Trees and Planting Natives. Nancy thanked Joyce Parson for finding our speaker for the March meeting.

Adjournment: Jonathan Poulton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m. Heather Harroun seconded the motion.

Submitted by Susie Poulton