CVIDS BOARD MINUTES, January 11, 2023

The CVIDS Board Meeting was called to order by President Darrin Lett at 6 pm on January 11, 2023. Present on the Zoom meeting: Darrin Lett, Nancy Rash, Diane Derganz, Heather Harroun, Jonathan Poulton, Cari Rusnak, Keith Riewerts, Nancy Carlisle, Jackie Westhoff, Diann Pavelka. In the absence of the club Secretary, Nancy Rash volunteered to take minutes until Cari was available.

It was shared with the board that Keith Riewerts had 7 stents placed in early December. He has started coronary Rehab. Sally has had some health issues as well.

The first agenda item was the 2023 club budget and budget items. The Club Plants for 2023 were discussed. Nancy Rash will contact Sue Kramer to see if she will purchase daylilies for the club plant distribution to be held May 2023. The amount approved for expenditure for club plants was up to \$4000. It is acceptable to spend less depending upon the number of members qualifying for a plant. The club plant distribution and meeting will be at the Muscatine County Fairgrounds in West Liberty.

Diann Pavelka will again purchase Iris for the club auction and silent auction. Jonathan Poulton made a motion to spend up to \$500 for iris. Motion carried. Shipping increases have affected the cost of purchasing iris.

For the 2023 Club Budget, it was recommended to ask the new Treasurer, Jackie Westhoff to put together a budget and email to the board, for review by the CVIDS Board. After approval by the board, the budget can be presented to the membership. It was suggested that Shelly Lett could be consulted for input on the budget.

The club needs to have Chairpersons and Committees in place soon to provide continuity in club programming. There needs to be a chairperson or someone taking leadership in order for an event to take place. It was recommended that Darrin email a list of the committees and chairpersons needed to the membership and members sign up by email. Meeting locations were discussed and it was recommended/suggested to look at our membership area and divide it into quadrants so we are meeting at least once in each quadrant. Darrin and Heather will work on meeting locations. Suggestions were libraries and the church Heather attends in Muscatine. We discussed guest speakers for the meetings and Heather offered 8 topic ideas. Suggested were Nan Ripley from Nevada on Hybridizing, Josh Spece from in the County Garden on Hosta. Diann Pavelka will contact Josh. Jackie Westhoff can give a 15+ minute presentation on Cacti at the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix, AZ. Ketih will be presenting at a garden fair in Muscatine.

Heather Harroun volunteered to be the CVIDS Vice President. The vote to elect her was unanimous and was followed by applause and grateful congratulations. Darrin Lett will serve as President until the end of the November 2023 meeting. Heather will become the CVIDS Club President immediately following the close of the November 2023 meeting.

It was suggested by Jonathan Poulton to address changes in the Bylaws and then later update the Member Handbook. Jonathan Poulton will make the final revisions to the Bylaws, send to Nancy Rash for review and consultation. Then Darrin will send out the Bylaws to the membership. The final vote for acceptance will be at the April 15, 2023 meeting. This will meet the requirements for changes in the club Bylaws.

Following a recap of the meeting decisions by President Darrin Lett, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Nancy Rash, CVIDS Past President