

Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

March 2022 Meeting Minutes

I. MEETING DETAILS

Date: 12 March 2022

Location: St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Hall in Williamsburg, Iowa

Time: 12:00 p.m. CST

Officers Present:

President: Darrin Lett

Vice President: Joyce Parsons

Treasurer: Shelly Lett

Secretary: Cari Rusnak

II: PRESENTATION

Presenter: Cat Nelson

Topic: Bonsai Trees

III: BUSINESS MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Business meeting called to order at 2:25 p.m. by President Darrin Lett

IV: OLD BUSINESS

Darrin Lett read the February Meeting Minutes taken by Keith Riewerts.

Nancy Carlisle motioned to approve the February minutes; seconded by Dave Kramer. Motion passed unanimously.

V: NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report:

Shelly Lett said that the current club bank account balance is \$12,727.35; the

February balance was \$14,769.35 for a difference of -\$2,042.

Shelly said that Jackie Westhoff is still in the process of doing an audit of the CVIDS accounting books; she hopes it will be finished by the May meeting.

Update on CVIDS Website:

Darrin Lett read a letter from Jonathan Poulton about the CVIDS website. The website is in the process of being upgraded, and he expects the new website to be up and running within the next two weeks. They request that people take pictures of meetings and club activities for the website.

Board Vacancies:

Shelly Lett moved to approve Cari Rusnak as the 2022 Secretary; seconded by Nancy Carlisle. The motion passed unanimously.

Current vacancies: Newsletter Editor, Nominating committee, Fall Plant Sale Chair

Garden Tours:

Darrin Lett said that there will be no organized garden tour for summer 2022, but he encouraged members to hold their own open gardens. If you host or attend an open garden or garden tour, let Joyce Parsons know because those activities will earn points that are used to qualify for a club plant.

2022 American Daylily Society Region One Summer Regional Meeting: Darrin Lett said that the Region One meeting is happening in Marshalltown, Iowa on July 15-17. It is being hosted by the Central Iowa Daylily Society; the theme is "Back in the Saddle". There will be garden tours, open gardens, and garden judges workshops. Dianne Pavelka said that the registration forms can be found on the CVIDS Facebook and the CVIDS website. Let Joyce Parsons know if you attend because this activity also earns points towards a club plant.

Deadline for the Region One photo contest is Tuesday, March 15th.

Future Meeting Dates & Locations:

Darrin Lett announced the following meetings and locations:

April 9th - Club Plant Presentation at BioVentures Center in Coralville, Iowa

May 7th - Spring Plant Sale at the Environmental Learning Center in Muscatine, Iowa

May 21st - Club Plant Distribution at the Muscatine County Fairgrounds in Muscatine, Iowa

Darrin Lett said that, per CDC guidelines, we are not holding a potluck at meetings until further notice. Members should bring and eat their own food and drinks.

June Meeting:

Joyce Parsons said she found a speaker who can talk to the club in June. We do not normally hold a June meeting, so several locations were considered. Lyn Hafner said the June meeting could happen at her house in Iowa City; she has a patio and sunroom so we have options depending on the weather. Joyce said that we could hold the June meeting in Williamsburg; the fee is only \$35. Darrin Lett said that he was looking at free venues to host meetings to save the club money and venues more centrally located because members were requesting meetings be held in a more central location. Darrin said he would talk to Joyce next week about the location and it will be emailed and posted on the website once a location has been confirmed.

Darrin Lett moved to vote for the club to have an in-person meeting on the second Saturday in June. 11 people voted YAY in person and 4 people voted NAY via Zoom. The motion passed with a majority voting YAY.

Joyce Parsons gave topic options for the guest speaker:

Planning For Pollinators

Monarch Butterflies (with live insects)

Creating Wildlife Habitats in Your Yard

Reptiles (with live animals)

Amphibians (with live animals)

Bird Feeding

Seed Harvesting

Other Topics by Request

Jackie Westhoff moved that the speaker's topic for the June meeting be Planning for Pollinators. Scott Feddern seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority voting YAY. Joyce Parsons will reach out to the speaker to confirm they are available to speak at our June meeting.

Club Plant Sale:

Darrin Lett said Barb Papenhausen is working on plants for the club distribution in May. Heather Harroun will talk about the club distribution plants at the April meeting. Dianne Pavelka is ordering irises that will be for auction at the meeting in May; she has already secured several varieties including Siberian and Japanese irises for the club.

Update on Members Health:

Tony Brown's surgery went well and he is on the mend at home.

Diane Derganz had knee surgery and is doing well.

VI: ADJOURNMENT

Shelly Lett motioned to adjourn the meeting; Sue Kramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.