

**Epiphyllum Society of America  
Executive Board Meeting Minutes  
Los Angeles County Arboretum, Oak Room  
Tuesday, July 28, 2015 @ 7:30 pm**

PRESENT: : Keith Ballard, Ed Beardsley, Marrie Caldiero, Geneva Coats, Ken Hanke, Robert Kuettle, Jim Nones, Heather Sabin

ABSENT: Mary Beardsley, Dick Kohlschreiber, Paul Richter, Maria Schmidt

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by Mr. Kuettle. Minutes from the June, 2015 meeting were not available. Mrs. Coats was appointed acting Recording Secretary.

**President's Report - Robert Kuettle**

ESA has obtained more plants from the late Mr. Pittman's collection. Rows are being added to the Pentico collection to accommodate the additions.

**Recording Secretary's Report - Mary Beardsley**

Absent. Mr. Beardsley reports that Mary wishes to resign her position on the Board due to health issues.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report - Maria Schmidt**

Absent.

**Membership/Treasurer's report - Geneva Coats**

Bank Balance last meeting 49169.90

Bank Balance today 48072.62

Net loss for the month 1097.28

Several new members this month.....updated roster will be added to website when finalized by Mr. Kuettle.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Bulletin**

Summer Bulletin sample has been forwarded to the Board list for proofreading. Should go out soon to both postal and email members.

**Website**

New content to be uploaded including Summer Bulletin and 2015 Roster.

**75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year-long celebration**

Report from Jim Nones. Have interviewed the Ballards and Mr. Kohlschreiber for features.

**Galen Pittman award**

Information from the March 1996 Bulletin regarding Mr. Pittman's "Flower of the Year" award was provided to the Board by Mr. Nones. General discussion regarding special award in Mr. Pittman's name. For further discussion on the Board email list.

**New Logo**

Graphic design ideas being sought for possible new logo for the ESA.

### **Laptop and Database Program**

Deferred for discussion on the Board email list.

### **Volunteer appreciation**

Mrs. Caldiero reports that she has reserved the last weekend in October for a luncheon at the home of ESA past President Mrs. Loretta Garcia in Glendora. ESA to provide a variety of buffet items and custom-designed shirts for volunteers. Please contact Mrs. Caldiero to notify her what size shirt you require if you volunteered for the ESA in 2015 so the order can soon be placed.

### **Fuchsia/Epiphyllum Society in Northern California**

New member Don Helsel wants program to present to his club regarding epiphyllums. We are seeking a basic informational CD to send him.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Programs for 2015**

August-Women hybridizers. Mr. Kuettle is organizing the presentation and Mr. Nones will introduce the program at the meeting. Hybridizers to be featured include Monmonier, Buchanan, Steele, and Flechsig.

September-hybridizer showcase, "Meet and Greet" and silent auction

October-African Violets presentation by Mrs. Coats

November-TBD

December-75 Anniversary luncheon

### **Registration Form Revision**

Volunteers needed for input and assistance in formulating updated registration form for new hybrids.

### **Next meeting**

The next board meeting will be held Tuesday August 25, 2015 @ 7:30 pm in the Los Angeles Arboretum OAK ROOM.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Coats and seconded by Mr. Hanke, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Attest

*Geneva Coats*

ESA Acting Recording Secretary

Approved August 25, 2015