

MINUTES OF BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF JANUARY 27, 2019

There was no planned speaker so Sandy Burnett showed a video from Scott Ogden on cold hardy bromeliads and another video of Jeff Paviat on Dykia. She then walked the group through a slide show of different bromeliads.

Dues collection for 2019 began. The new dues are \$20 for singles and \$25 for Duals.

The business meeting began at 2:55.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR 2019

A number of ideas for the coming year were presented. Before locking in any speakers or plans, an audit of finances must be done. The Treasurer was not present so there was no record of the balance in the account although Mary White estimated it at approximately \$900. GBS pays annual membership dues to: the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies, \$100 and the Bromeliad Society International, \$30.

A suggestion of having a speaker for only 4 meetings/year was considered. These would be at the meetings that historically had the highest member attendance. Other activities could be a presentation by members of their most/least favorite bromeliad, a Bingo game, and a visit to Tootie's garden in May.

Discussion of new officers. There are still no official officers (Other than Elaine Young as Secretary) so Sandy Burnett and Chris Waldman will continue to co-share the duties of president and vice president. Mary will continue to post meetings in the Sun and Hjordis will continue the newsletter. Lorene Junkin said that she no longer wished to be treasurer so Elaine indicated that she would serve as Treasurer until a new one was voted on.

Twenty members paid their dues either by check or cash and the silent auction brought in \$20. Ron Schoenaudonated bromeliads so that anyone who paid dues could take one plant with the option to buy more at \$5 each. Fourteen plants were sold. This brought the total collected today to \$475. Chris Waldman will deposit in the Society's bank account.

A head count at the meeting indicated 21 people in attendance, with 2 visitors.

Meeting concluded at 3:35.