

MINUTES OF BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF FEBRUARY 24, 2018

Ray Lemeux gave an excellent presentation of an impressive variety of bromeliads he has been crossing and propagating from seed for several years. Some of the prodigy have been a surprise.

The business meeting began at 3:15.

TREASURER REPORT – Lorene was not in attendance so there was no treasurer's report.

WEBSITE – Mary announced that we have a website. The address is www.gainesvillebromeliad.org

FLORIDA COUNCIL OF THE BROMELIAD SOCIETY – This meeting took place on February 24 at Oak Hammock. Items for discussion focused on copyright rules for photographs. The Council is now abiding by the law and not publishing other people's work unless specifically asked by the photographer/author. The GBS website is connected to the Council website.

Other topics of the Council meeting included an update on the bromeliad weevil research where they found a fungus that has 73% mortality on the weevil. The work is being done at the "Enchanted Forest" in Titisville and the Forest is having a tour March 3 at 11. Anyone interested in the tour should contact Mary or Tootie.

The State Roster will be published in April and they need updated information from all members by March.

DUES – Mary wants everyone to consider raising membership dues – to be discussed at next meeting.

The speaker for March 25 will be Marty Baxley.

SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR –

There will be no June meeting.

Gail Cook will give a tour of her yard In April. (tentative)

No Bromeliana this year since last year's didn't bring any new members.

Tootie suggested a trip to Selby Gardens