

MINUTES OF BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019

A game of bingo was played with several bromeliads as prizes.

The business meeting began at 2:55 and the minutes from January 27 were approved.

Sandy noted several guests were present – Steve Provost, Mike Bender, Larry and Dan from Texas. She reminded members that 2019 dues were now due. Sandy has not yet reached Lorene Junkin (treasurer) to discuss her retirement. As soon as she can make arrangements to transfer accounts, etc. Worth Auxier will be the new Treasurer.

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies book for 2019 will soon be printed – all members should check their personal information for accuracy.

UPCOMING EVENTS – The 2019 Bromeliad Extravaganza will take place in Orlando on September 20-21. Each member Society needs to donate 5 items for sale – the profits to go to the Council. Membership in the Officers of the Council is on a rotating basis and Sandy Burnett volunteered to be secretary for this year. In 2022 we will need to provide a Vice Chair.

BSI will hold its world conference in 2020 in Sarasota on June 20-23.

Leu Gardens in Orlando will have a plant sale in March.

OTHER NEWS - Weevil Program is losing some staff.

Chris Waldman is attempting to get speakers for March and has called Ray Lemieux, Dennis from Tropiflora and George and Irene Aldrich but all are busy. She will try to get Dave Johnston. We have a speaker for April.

Sandy suggested doing something as a farewell to Carolyn who was always a leader and willing to help. Mary White researched the cost of placing bricks in the walkway around the bromeliad garden at Wilmot or possibly a bench. Ron felt the money would be better spent elsewhere. No decision was made.

Five members paid dues and the silent auction raised \$10.

A head count at the meeting indicated 24 people in attendance, with 4 visitors.

Meeting concluded at 3:35.