NOVEMBER 27, 2021 MINUTES OF GAINESVILLE BROMELIAD SOCIETY

Steve Provost ran the meeting since Sandy was not able to be there. He announced that Mary White would serve as president for 2022 but that we needed to find someone else for 2023. Sandy Burnett will remain as Treasurer and Elaine Young will remain as Secretary. The treasury has $1,777.91 in checking and $3,023.84 in savings. Steve announced the dues for 2022 for an individual would be $20 and encouraged people in attendance to pay them soon. (Eight people paid dues at the meeting).

Nancy Mason brought in two very impressive inflorescences: one of Portea petropolitana var. extensa which was recently renamed Portea orthopoda and a second one of Vreisea philippo-coberqii.

Steve then announced the speakers for the upcoming year:

January 23 – Steve Bryam, Lutz
February 27– Terrie Bert, Bradenton
March 27 – Renee Stambaugh, St. Augustine
April 24 – Ken Stokes, Tampa
May 22 Tom Wolfe, Lutz
June 26 – Jason Mellica, Sarasota
July 24 – Mike McMahon, Orlando
August 28 – Richard Dailey, St. Petersburg
September 25 – David Johnston, Pinellas Park
October 23 – No speaker
November 28 – Officer Election/Holiday Party
December – No meeting

John Goodman would be asked to speak on the history of the pineapple at some time in the future.

World Bromeliad Conference will be held in Sarasota, Florida this year, June 7-11. There is no need to be a member to attend meeting, but you must register. The Hyatt Regency in Sarasota will be the hosting hotel and will have a block of rooms available for attendees.

A head count yielded 13 members in attendance. Next meeting will be January 23.

Meeting ended at approximately 3:30 at which time the members exchanged gifts – some of which were truly extraordinary.