

**JULY 2 2019**

**Motion 1**

From Mary Schaeffer

Motion that we accept the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on February 9, 2019 as submitted

**Motion 2**

From Mel Grice

To replace the second and third sentences of the current standing rule for the Review Committee adopted 7/9/90 which currently says — "It shall be a standing committee with five members from the Board of Directors. They shall serve for a term of three years."

Replaced with — It shall be a standing committee with three members from the Board of Directors: The First Vice President, Second Vice President and the immediate Past President, who shall be chairperson. The First and Second VPs shall serve on the committee until they vacate their respective officer positions, at which point the members filling those positions shall join the committee.

Then, after the sentence that describes the terms, add this sentence — The immediate past president shall serve until the current president leaves office and becomes chairperson. In the event that one of the committee members is the subject of an investigation or is unable to serve, that member shall recuse him or herself and the Recording Secretary shall become the third member for the duration of the investigation.

**Motion 3**

From Paul Susi

Motion to approve the following recurring awards: – Paul Susi

Best in Horticulture - yearly by the Long Island Gesneriad Society

Best in Horticulture runner up - yearly by the GNYGS

Multi-Division Sweeps - yearly by Jeanne Katzenstein in memory of Maryjane Evans

Section A (tuberous) - yearly by Molly Schneider

Section P (Arts and Crafts) - yearly by Tennessee Gesneriad Society

Best in Class 17 (*Gesneria*) -yearly by Jeanne Katzenstein in memory of Maryjane Evans

**Motion 4**

From Paul Susi

Motion to rescind the following standing rule related to the standing rules chair: - Paul Susi

6/28/78: The Standing Rules Chairman shall present each incoming Officer, Director and Committee Chairman with a correct Standing Rules Book, and shall collect Standing Rules Books from outgoing Officers, Directors and Committee Chairmen.

### **Motion 5**

From Paul Susi

The Standing Rules Chairman shall ensure that the Standing Rules and Job Descriptions books are up-to-date by June 1 of each year and shall ensure that the updated books are posted on the website at that time and that all directors, committee chairpersons and staff are notified of changes made to both books since the previous edition.

### **Motion 6**

From Paul Susi

Motion to revise this standing rule for Shows and Judging/Awards (new text in red): - Paul Susi

7/ 3/85 Awards shall continue to be accepted until **June 1st**. Award sponsorship donations received after that date may be held for the subsequent convention flower shows

### **Motion 7**

From Michael Riley

Motion to Rescind Standing Rules – Business Manager

I move to rescind the following four items from the Standing Rules relative (or not) to the Business Manager as being outdated or irrelevant.

2/16/08 The received interest income of the Frances Batcheller Endowment Fund shall be used to help fund the yearly journal expenses of life members. The balance of the received interest income may be used for other specific expenses, as determined annually by the Board of Directors. The following criteria shall be used in calculating the received interest available and the funding of the journal expenses for life members: Up to 4.5 percent of the fund shall be used for the above mentioned expenses, provided that the percentage of the fund used for these expenses does not exceed the Fund's received interest income for the previous fiscal year, and the interest income used to fund the yearly journal expense of each life member shall be equal to the total journal expense for an individual member for the previous fiscal year.

2/16/08 At least 2 weeks prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Directors, the Finance Committee shall provide the Board with the prior year's received interest income of the FBEF (in total dollars and percent of principal), the dollar amount of the fund equal to 4.5 percent of the fund's principal and any other information that will assist the Board of Directors in allocating the interest from the FBEF. 2/16/2008 Increase the Society's existing donation to the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens to \$5,000 per year for the next 3 years to support gesneriad activities. This would mean increasing the Society's contribution to Selby to \$5,000 per year and extending its financial commitment for an additional year. This would bring the total contribution for the next 3 years to \$15,000 and extend the Society's commitment to 2010. The additional funding was to support Selby's submission of a matching grant proposal for research and to support activities that include gesneriads.

2/16/2008 Establish a restricted fund, named the Selby Gesneriad Fund, to support gesneriad activities at the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens. The mission statement of the fund will include conservation. This Society fund will accept and accumulate donations from individuals and organizations for eventual transfer to Selby and could possibly be a repository for funds taken from another Society account.

#### **Motion 8**

From Michael Riley

Motion to establish a Standing Rule for Finance Chairman: I move that the following Standing Rule be established for Finance Chairman whereby the Frances Batcheller Endowment Fund is the repository of revenue from Life Memberships, the Finance Chairman with advisement from the Business Manager, shall recommend to the Board of Directors the incorporation of an amount equal to the cost of such services into the Annual Budget for the projected year.

#### **Motion 9**

From Michael Riley

Motion to establish a Standing Rule for Finance Chairman: Whereby the Frances Batcheller Endowment Fund is the repository of revenue from Life Memberships, the Finance Chairman with advisement from the Business Manager shall recommend to the Board of Directors the incorporation of an amount equal to the cost of such services into the Annual Budget for the projected year.

#### **Motion 10**

From Julie Mavity-Hudson: Motion that we grant creative license to make available to the public *The Gloxinian* from 1951 until 1997 to the Hathi Trust Digital Library in order to make the early issue available for educational purposes.

#### **Motion 11**

From Dale Martens: Motion to eliminate the Speakers Bureau. Dale Martens

#### **Motion 12**

From Mary Schaeffer: Motion to move the due date for all annual reports from March 1 to February 1

#### **Motion 13**

To Adjourn meeting.

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**Motion 14**

From Jo Anne Martinez: Receipts in excess of disbursements from fees collected for convention registration, meals, events, registration-related items, and plant sales shall be allocated to the convention account in the general operating fund (This amends the 2/2/13 standing rule).

**Motion #15**

From Karyn Cichocki: Motion to approve the budget as presented

**Motion #16**

Election of officers.

**Motion #17**

Adjourn meeting.