

Minutes of the first session of the seventeenth annual meeting of the North American Lily Society held July 10, 1964, in the library of the Administration Building of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton, Ontario, President George Holland presiding:

The meeting opened at 3:00 p.m. with President Holland extending a warm welcome to all visitors from other countries.

Mr. Simoni moved, seconded by Mrs. Harland, that the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting be dispensed with and this motion carried.

Reports of various committees followed.

Prof. Slate, Publications, reported that manuscripts for the 1964 Yearbook were in the hands of the printer with delivery promised in three months, and that, inasmuch as we have changed printers, we have reason to expect this deadline to be met.

Publication

Mr. Ray Crawford, Publicity, said that no news releases of last year's show had been sent due to illness. On April 1, 1964, yearbooks went out to 41 people for reviews.

Publicity

The report of the Seed Exchange Chairman, Col. Hewitt, showed a profit of \$428 from the 1963-64 operation, with an average income over the last 6 years of \$533. Col. Hewitt has resigned because of increasing ill health. Mrs. Conant moved, seconded by Mrs. Basler, that a letter be sent to Col. Hewitt and Mrs. Hewitt who has assisted him in the seed project, expressing the thanks of the society to both of them for their years of devoted service. Carried unanimously.

Seed
Exchange

Mr. Horsford, Awards and Standards, said that new certificates for awards would necessarily need to be drawn due to the incorporation of the society.

Awards and
Standards

Miss Hanke, Kodachrome, had sent out 24 slide rentals, with \$38.50 turned over to the treasurer. As Librarian, she reported a library circulation of 310 items which she considered very successful.

Kodachrome
Librarian

Dr. Lighty, Nominating Chairman, presented the following slate to be voted upon tomorrow:

Nominations

President: George E. Holland
Vice President, U.S.A.: Claude L. Shride
Vice President, Canada: A. J. Porter
Secretary: Mrs. Ervin Kulow
Treasurer: Ernest F. Stokes

Directors: Andrew Simoni, 250 East Cross St., Norwood,
Mass.
Mrs. J. Edwin Clas, 4 Shephard Ave., Westmere,
Albany 3, N. Y.
J. C. Taylor, 12 Graham St., Guelph, Ontario
Mrs. M. B. Harland, 107 W. Pennsylvania Ave.,
Urbana, Ill.

There were no additional nominations from the floor.

The first recommendation of the directors was read:

Notice is hereby given under the requirements of Section XI, Article I of the Bylaws of the North American Lily Society that a motion to amend Section III, Article I, as follows: That Article I as it now reads shall be deleted and the following substituted in its place—

Article I, Election of Officers :The officers of the society shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in every second year and they shall hold office from the close of the Annual Meeting at which they are elected until the close of the Annual Meeting two years later.

The adoption of this motion was made by Mrs. Harland, seconded by Mr. Helgert, carried.

The second recommendation of the directors as follows was read:

"The following are the qualifications expected of persons who have had judging experience and desire to qualify as lily judges:

1. At least five year's experience as flower judge or judging at least five shows at regional or local level in which lilies have been included.
2. At least three year's experience judging local or regional lily exhibits or three shows in which lilies were the chief flower judged.
3. A fair knowledge of, and ability to identify at least 30 of the more important species and clones of lilies. This requirement would most easily be filled at a regional or national show where fresh lilies are available or an official test set of color slides might be used.
4. Three year's practice in exhibiting lilies grown by the exhibitor in regional or national shows.

A written statement covering the above four requirements should be presented to the NALS Committee for consideration, by anyone desiring certification as a judge.

The student judges training program will consist of:

1. Completing two NALS organized judges training schools. These may be held at the national show or at any one of the regional shows provided that the school is set up by a recognized judge and includes the approved NALS content and procedures.

Two-Year
Term for
Officers

Judging
Program

Experienced
Judges

Student
Judges

2. Acting as a judge in a team of recognized judges at two of the national or regional shows.
3. Growing and exhibiting lilies in at least 10 classes in a national or regional show.
4. Becoming familiar with the material in the Handbook "Judging and Exhibiting Lilies," and with the cultural requirements of lilies as given in the booklet "Let's Grow Lilies" and the 1964 NALS handbook or other source.

The judging schools will consist of the following:

1. Lectures and demonstrations of approximately two hours explaining the point score, the judging schedule, the NALS Horticultural Classification and a demonstration of how a judge works.

Judging
Schools

2. A practice session in which the student judge places 20 classes of lilies, placing them 1, 2 and 3. These classes are set up by the one in charge of the school who reviews the correct placing at the end of the session.

At the second school attended the student judge will judge the 20 classes without assistance as an examination. He will also take a written examination on the material covered in the judging school and in the Handbook "Judging and Exhibiting Lilies" and cultural requirements of lilies. The examination papers will be handed in along with an account of experience or accomplishment under parts 2 and 3 of the training program.

The person or committee in charge of the school will grade the papers and make recommendation to the NALS Committee. A grade of 70% will be considered passing. Every effort should be made to have the grading uniform."

A question was raised about including a time limit for judging students to finish the second course. There was no time given in the report because it may take longer than a 3-year period for a national show to come again to a nearby area and thus enable a student to fulfill the requirements set forth in the report.

Mr. Simoni asked how long should a judge remain a judge? Anyone, even someone not a member of NALS can take this test and become a qualified judge and may remain a judge unless incapacitated by age or illness. Mrs. Cassell moved, seconded by Mrs. Cutts, that we accept all the revised regulations as set forth by Dr. MacDaniels and his committee in regard to the training of judges, and this motion was passed.

The matter of regional affiliation, after being read, caused a great deal of discussion. Mr. Abbey finally moved that we defer discussion of this matter until tomorrow to enable everyone to give more thought to the presentation. Seconded by Mr. Stokes, and carried.

Regional
Affiliation

President Holland announced that the North American Lily Society, Inc., was now in existence and, because the articles of incorporation made it mandatory that the first directors' meeting be held in the U. S., that a quorum of officers and directors would travel to Niagara Falls, N. Y., to hold this necessary meeting in the proper manner.

A motion to adjourn until tomorrow was given by Mrs. Harland, seconded by Mr. Greenwald, and passed. Adjournment at 4:30 p.m.

Mrs. Ervin Kulow

Mrs. Ervin Kulow, Secretary