

Minutes of the Directors Meeting of the North American Lily Society, Inc., held July 7, 1966, in the Holiday Inn, Worcester, Mass., at 8:00 p.m., President Claude L. Shride presiding.

Present were the following officers and board members:

Fred Abbey, Harrison Peters, William Happich, Henry Payne, Andrew Simoni, Dr. Crawford, Mrs. Ervin Kulow, Mrs. Cutts, Robert Mooney, Dr. McDaniels, Mrs. Clas, Mrs. Jane Birchfield, Prof. Slate, Robert Mann, Jan de Graaff, Ross Martin, George Holland, Mrs. Harland and Ernie Stokes.

The reading of the secretary's minutes was dispensed with.

Treasurer's report to Dec. 31, 1965 and to July 1, 1966 was given. Mr. de Graaff moved that both be accepted as read. Seconded by Mr. Simoni and passed.

Mr. Horsford of the Awards Committee read the results of the poll conducted of the Board of Directors to obtain a candidate for the E. H. Wilson Award. Mr. de Graaff received the majority of the votes. George Holland moved that we accept the report of the committee and accept its nomination. Mr. Simoni seconded. Passed. Mr. Jan de Graaff will receive the E. H. Wilson Award for this year.

E. L. Wilson
Award

Mr. Holland moved that the name of the winners of the E. H. Wilson Award as well as the complete list of the winners of the Certificate of Commendation and the Awards of Merit be printed yearly in the Yearbook. Seconded by Mrs. Harland. Passed.

Yearbook
Suggestions

Dr. McDaniels in charge of Judging and Exhibiting of Lilies wants to bring the judging schedule up-to-date, have it revised and reprinted. Mr. de Graaff moved, seconded by Mr. Peters that such revision be done and then be considered for reprinting. Passed.

Revision of
Judging
Manual

The report of the work of the Seed Chairman was received with pleasure. It was moved by Mr. Holland that we express our appreciation to Mrs. Mason for her splendid work. Seconded by Mr. Simoni. Passed. Apparently Mrs. Mason was somewhat unhappy over the lateness of the seed list this year, so it was moved by Mr. Holland, seconded by Mr. Stokes, that the seed chairman be authorized to get out her own seed list and have it printed and mailed by the printers when the list is ready.

Report of
Seed
Chairman

Mr. de Graaff announced that the 1967 meeting will be held in Norfolk, Virginia, and the 1968 one in Philadelphia.

Future
Meetings

Mr. Shride said that during the past year there had been conducted a mail report on three projects. The first one was in regard to Mrs. Jane Birchfield's work on lily classification. Mrs. Birchfield was asked to give a report of her progress. She has compiled two lists of hybrids and one of species. She told of contacting Dr. Throckmorton

and having these lists computerized with the following quotations given: (Mrs. Birchfield has promised to send a Xeroxed copy of this letter ^{from} to Dr. Throckmorton)

It will cost \$500 for programming the computer, and \$37 for a reel of tape to store the information. Added to this will be \$167 for about 200 books to be printed. This would mean that about \$600 would be needed to establish a lily data bank in the computer. Mrs. Birchfield suggests that this list be printed and sold for about \$3.00. Mr. Mann moved that we adopt the report as heard with the recommendation for putting it in the computer bank. There was some objection to combining these recommendations, so instead of a second, Mrs. Cutts amended the motion to accept the report. Seconded and passed. A discussion following in regard to the value of this material to the society and whether there would be enough call for this material to have it printed. Mr. de Graaff moved, seconded by Mr. Simoni that we go ahead and develop this material. Passed.

Fred Abbey suggested printing cards asking how many people would be interested in purchasing such a book if printed. Mr. Mooney moved that the Executive Secretary canvass the membership and/or anybody else who might be interested in lilies to determine how many would desire to purchase the book at a stated price, and this matter then be brought back to the Board of Directors, for final action, meanwhile having the matter laid on the table. Mr. Holland seconded, passed.

Mr. Shride then entertained the motion that we implement this program as outlined by Mrs. Birchfield to the limit of \$800 expenses. Seconded by Mr. Mann. Passed.

Mr. Shride also said that Mrs. Virginia Howie had refused payment for her work on "Let's Grow Lilies" and had returned the money to be used for the work of the society. This was an appreciated gesture.

Reports of Directors work for the year were given. After all the reports had been considered, it was found that there was no old business, so new business then was considered.

Jane Birchfield is writing a comprehensive Lily Round-Up of lily shows in America for the Royal Horticulture Society of England. It was suggested that this material would also be of special interest to our own people, and that this material be printed in our own yearbook.

Mr. Holland presented a bill for three Preston miniatures and five Wilson placques, totaling \$320 plus tax, and asks authorization for payment. Mr. Martin so moved, seconded by Prof. Slate. Carried.

In listing of the original group of lily judges, the name of Mr. Mersereau of Toledo was inadvertently overlooked. Mr. Mersereau is a fine experienced judge, but took the judging course, too, and is eligible to be appointed as an accredited judge. It was so moved by Mr. Holland, seconded by Mr. Mooney and passed.

Report of
Classifi-
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Lilies b
Mrs. Bir
field

Appointmen
of lily
Judge

The Executive Secretary wished to know the desires of the Directors in regard to advertising policies for the next year. Different media were discussed with no final decision, so Mr. Mooney moved that the Executive Secretary with the approval of the Chairman of Public Relations be authorized to spend up to \$250 for advertising in any form or any place he feels wise. Mr. Holland seconded. Passed.

Advertisin

Last year \$58 over the approved budget set for advertising was spent. Mr. Holland moved, seconded by Mr. Martin this expense be approved. Passed.

Mr. Abbey passed out a printed list of questions which he wished discussed and opinions given freely. One of these considered was the matter of setting up our own mailing office. Mr. Stokes moved, seconded by Mrs. Cutts that a mailing office be set-up by thd Executive Secretary allowing for a reasonable amount of hired help for any additional labor needed. Seconded by Mr. Simoni. Passed.

Mailing
Office

The bonding of the Treasurer should be changed to the bonding of the Executive Secretary who now handles the funds. According to our by-laws and constitution the treasurer is to be bonded, so Mr. Mooney moved that the bond of the treasurer shall be zero and that the Executive Secretary shall be bonded in the amount of \$5,000 to be paid by the society. Seconded by Mr. Holland, and passed.

Bonding of
Executive
Secretary

Mr. de Graaff moved that Prof. Slate and Dr. MacDaniels be authorized to represent us at the up-coming meeting of the Horticultural Society. Mr. Stokes seconded. Passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs Ervin Kulow
Mrs. Ervin Kulow, Secretary