

Greater St. Louis Daffodil Society
July 21, 2013 4 PM
Missouri Botanical Garden
Executive Board Meeting

Present: Pam Hardy, Jason Delaney, Lynn Slackman, Gary Knehans, Peter McAdams, Cindy Haeffner, Dave Niswonger, Beth Holbrooke

Meeting called to order by Cindy Haeffner, President. President Haeffner asked if the board had any concerns, and Jason Delaney said that the GSLDS Show needs a new photography chairman. Beth Holbrooke voiced that she would be willing to take this position, and board agreed. Jason Delaney agreed to store the photography properties. It was expressed by Cindy Haeffner the importance of having scheduled judges for the exhibit.

The GSLDS tent was damaged at the Oakwood Dig, in Niles, and repair is unclear. Cindy Haeffner has spare parts, and will give to Jason to determine if it can be repaired before the Greentree Festival. Suzanne Raymond may have a used tent for sale if the repair does not work.

Lynn Slackman mentioned that she desires this year to be her last as bulb sale chairman for the MOBot Sale, and have someone else store all the items for the sales. Pam Hardy offered her continued help and Jason offered his basement for storage, which would be conveniently close to MoBot.

Peter McAdams reported that we have \$10,000 in the treasury. Asked "should we invest", and the board all agreed that it would not be prudent, and CD's are not paying enough to even pursue. Our donation projects were discussed, ie... MoBot Horticulture Dept. and Susan G. Komen Foundation. Pam Hardy volunteered to pot daffodils. Peter McAdams, Lynn Slackmann and Cindy Haeffner have been the members potting for the past several years, and agreed it was a hit or miss being able to get them to bloom at show time. The selling of the cut stems of daffodils in bundles of 12/\$5 was easy and a direct money maker. Daffodil stems can be picked specifically for this project and be fresh for the customer. Cindy Haeffner volunteered to continue to pot the daffodils for the "Pink Daffodil Donation Project". Dave Niswonger asked since the bulbs sales is our main income, will we always be able to get bulbs from John Reed. We all recognize that Oakwood will not be forever, and Cindy, Peter and Lynn have started lining out small bulbs from the public sales to plump up for future sales. Jason Delaney, owner of PHS, mentioned that he will have some excess in the future years.

Next discussion was the risers/tiers for the show. Should Peter be also making for the photography exhibit, and it was determined that the present properties is sufficient. Peter likes the 3-tier riser, and 1 riser takes 1 ½ sheets of plywood @ \$35/sheet. The Board asked Peter to determine how much he wants for his labor making the tiers??? Peter will come up with some figures. He mentioned that HomeDepot will discount for 501c3 organizations, and he would be purchasing them there, depending on the overall pricing, and the GSLDS's sales tax exemption can also be used.

The new by-laws date will need to be up-dated, and Jason Delaney suggested that they be scanned and stored in the "Cloud".

The 2016 World Convention was discussed, and the display planting at the Westport Hotel. Pam Hardy inquired about her uncle being a corporate sponsor for the convention.

This years bulb sale income was discussed, if all goes well should be \$2-\$3 thousand. Jason Delaney offered Cammassia bulbs to sell at our public sales, and we keep 25% of the proceeds.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:
Cindy Haeffner, President