

Houston Bonsai Society Board Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2020 - Zoom Conference

I. Call to Order

The President, Pete Parker, called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

II. Roll Call

Members present for the Zoom conference call were Pete Parker, Janny van Beem, Ellis Montes, Gale Childers, Anthony Cutola, Ken Cousino, Clyde Holt, Nandita D'Souza, Hurley Johnson, Eldon Branham, Paul Henderson, Ted, Eddie, and Chris Lannen.

III. Approve Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept August's minutes was made by Hurley Johnson and seconded by Gale Childers. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Eldon verbally reviewed the report. Notable points were no income was generated for July and the only expenses were fees for Sergio Cuan and the storage unit. Current membership is at 105 members. Motion to accept report made by Gale Childers, seconded by Janny van Breem. Motion passed.

V. Expenditures

No expenses were submitted.

VI. Upcoming and Unfinished Business

a. Forward Plans—

- August: The Saturday study will be held at Timeless Trees. The Mid August lecture will be Rodney Clemons. On the 19th there will be a virtual tour of the Pacific Bonsai Museum.
- September: The first Saturday (9/5) lecture is open, Janny will pursue possible artists- Will Bradley, Pedro Morales, Danny Coffy, or Jenny Price. Jenny Price was scheduled for an in person meeting on the 12th but has not committed. Janny will check with Jenny on holding a virtual lecture for the 5th. The Saturday Study Group will be moved to Timeless Trees, Hurley will confirm the September 12th date. The Club Sale was discussed and the Board considered moving it to September 12th at Quality Feed and Garden from the previous date of the October 17th. It was suggested that attendees should have to sign a co-vid waiver.
- October: Currently Tyler Sherrod is scheduled for an in-person lecture on the first Saturday. The Saturday Study Group will be held at Timeless Trees.

VII. LSBF Activities –

- a. The LSBF Texas Tour has been canceled.

VIII. New Business

- a. The Fall Club Show venue is still being considered. Options include setting up a virtual show or in-person at Memorial City Mall. The current planned date is Saturday, October 17th. Bringing in an outside judge was considered along with prizes for the award winners. Award categories discussed included Novice, Senior, Best Overall, and People's Choice. [8/9/20 Update: A virtual show was decided to be held on Saturday, October 17th and communicated via email.]

IX. Adjournment

Pete Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:53am.