

Minutes Of The Business Meeting Of The Hyacinth Control Society, Inc.

LANGFORD HOTEL
WINTER PARK, FLORIDA
JUNE 18, 1968

President Blackburn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Committee: Presented by Paul Cohee

During 1967-68 we added several new members to a total of 211 members in the Society. We have two new Commercial Sustaining Members, and six new Individual Sustaining Members. The new Commercial Members are American Mineral Spirits Co. and Webster Martin, Inc. The New Individual Sustaining Members are Robert W. Geiger of St. Paul, Minn., Frank Black of Wilmington, Del., Don H. McDonald, Wilmington, Del., Dick Johnston, DeLand, Fla. and John Merk of Jupiter, Fla. We have 34 Associate Members and 159 Active Members.

A larger membership can make possible many worthwhile projects. Not only will we gain knowledge from the new members, but also some financial strength, which is improving as our membership increases. This financial strength, and I am not offering this as a proposal at this time, but as a suggestion, might enable us in the future to undertake the sponsorship of research grants or even scholarships. I would like to ask that all of the people present here, continue to actively explain the Society, its purposes and its reason for being to prospective members. If you have not joined the Society, we would like very much to invite you to join.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Cohee, Chairman
Charlie Johnson
Sam McMurray
Gordon Mobley
Jack Salmela

Bob Blakeley moved the report be accepted. The motion carried.

Legislative Committee: Presented by Lyle Weldon

Each committee member has been very active during the year in various forms of legislation. Senate Bill 580, which was introduced last year is in the Judiciary Committee of the Senate. The Legislative Committee is recommending that the Society write to each of the Legislators requesting support of legislation barring the importation of aquatic plants. This is a recommendation to be followed as part of this report.

The other item is the establishment of a state wide agency in the State of Florida for aquatic weed control. This has been referred to the Resolutions Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyle Weldon, Chairman
Bob Blakeley
Herb Friedman
Zeb Grant
Bill Woods

Lyle Weldon moved that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

Public Relations Committee: Presented by Paul Cohee in the absence of John Gallagher.

Arrangements have been made for radio and TV coverage here at the meeting and for announcements of the meeting. We had announcements in several trade magazines: *Florida Field Report*, *Florida Grower & Rancher*, and *Citrus & Vegetables Magazines*. Art Edwards from *Weeds, Trees & Turf* is covering the meeting. We also had coverage in the Ft. Lauderdale newspaper and many Central Florida newspapers. Mr. Haverlee, a representative of the *Explorer's Club Journal* from Oviedo, Fla. has agreed to cover the Society in a future issue.

Respectfully submitted,
John Gallagher, Chairman
Bill Hogan
Vernon Myers
Kerry Steward

Paul Cohee moved that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

Program Committee: Presented by Robert Blackburn.

I appreciate the response of the various speakers in participating in this program. We had to turn down 12 papers due to time limitation. As you know it has been the tradition of the Society to adjourn at noon on Wednesday, but this year we had to schedule meetings on Wednesday afternoon.

I encourage you to participate in the programs in the future. You who travel out of State have an excellent opportunity to meet various people in the U. S. and in fact throughout the World, to bring back to the Hyacinth Society in 1969 papers that are of high quality and that are of interest to our organization.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Blackburn, Chairman
Dan Gorman
Paul Cohee
Lyle Weldon
Fred John
Frank Wilson
Fred zur Burg

Robert Blackburn moved that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

Local Arrangements Committee: Presented by Jay Blanchard.

I would like to thank Paul Cohee and Dick Guppy for serving on this committee. I have many people to thank including our Directors' wives, Mrs. Paul Cohee and Mrs. Dick Guppy who worked very hard on the ladies program.

Fred John moved that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

Secretary & Treasurers Report: Presented by Paul Cohee.

The financial condition of the Society is showing improvement now that we have adjusted our dues and brought our registration fees in line with the actual meeting expenditures.

The following information reflects our current financial status as of June 15, 1958.

Accounts Receivable (6-15-68)	226.00
Accounts Payable	(160.99)
Cash in Checking Acct. (May 31, 1968)	1,986.61
Deposits since last statement	618.95
Inventory—Herbariums—None	
Specimen Sheets—110	220.00
Journal (Back Issues)—2285	11,425.00
Certificates—218	654.00
Net Worth	<u>\$14,968.57</u>
Expenses June 30, 1967—June 15, 1968	
Secretarial	144.48
Herbarium—Labor	1,141.75
Supplies	116.25
Printing—Stat. Newsletters	118.76
Postage	52.44
Reprints—Journals	1,671.23
TOTAL	<u>\$3,244.91</u>
Income from Reprints	342.00
Journals	377.25
Herbariums	1,107.95
Certificates—10	30.00
TOTAL	<u>\$1,857.20</u>

In view of our increase in financial stature, I recommend that the Secretary-Treasurer either personally or through an accounting firm establish an accounting system commensurate with the current needs of the Society.

I have investigated the possibility of having our membership listed on addressograph plates. Initial plates make up will be 12¢ per name and changes 10¢ each.

As our financial status continues to improve, I would like to see consideration given to the deposit of funds to a savings account or invested in some way so that a return may be realized on our static funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Cohee
Secretary-Treasurer

Paul Cohee moved that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

New Business

The President advised that the Newsletter will be revamped and that the Board had approved a new cover for it. We are going to carry through the theme of purple in the cover.

Constitutional revisions were brought before the Board and discussed, but these must be presented to the membership thirty days before the Annual Meeting. As a result, some of these revisions will be put out in the next Newsletter of the Society, but cannot be voted upon until the next Annual Meeting.

Paul R. Cohee,
Secretary-Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE SECOND AND FINAL BUSINESS MEETING JUNE 19th, 1968

President Blackburn called the meeting to order. Made statement regarding success of meeting and expressed appreciation for all cooperation by members.

President Blackburn called on Paul Cohee, Secretary, for an accounting of meeting finances.

Paul Cohee read following details on registrations

Total Registered	194	
Registration income		3137.00
Miscellaneous Income		508.00
(Dues, Journals, etc.)		
Petty Cash on hand 6-16-68		100.00
Accts. Receivable Paid		<u>48.50</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$3793.50</u>

After asking for any final new or old business of which there was none, Bob Blackburn turned over the Presidency to Frank Wilson. After a few brief words Mr. Wilson entertained a motion for adjournment which was moved and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul R. Cohee
Secretary-Treasurer