

AHS Region 1 Business Meeting minutes

July 28, 2018 7:00 PM.

Baymont Inn Hotel, Mandan, ND

1. The meeting was called to order by Regional Director Kris Henning at 7:20 pm. A quorum was present.
2. The Director told the members that she was directed by the AHS Counsel that she should start the meeting and announce the results of the recent elections.
3. Kris thanked the members of the Central North Dakota Daylily Society for hosting the meeting and asked everyone who had a part in it to stand for a round of applause.
4. Kris introduced the Regional officers and asked those present to stand for a round of applause.
5. Kris stated that she had been appointed by AHS to her position of Director in November, 2017 to fill the remaining term until 12-31-18 after then-current Director Mary Baker had resigned. She also stated that Regional President Val Hoefer had been appointed in June, 2018 to fill the remaining term until 12-31-18 after then-current President Zora Ronan had resigned.
6. Kris announced that Nan Ripley, Chair of the current Nominating Committee, had counted all the ballots. The results of the election for Director were all in favor of Kris Henning for the term of 2019-2021. The results of the election for President were all in favor of Val Hoefer for the term of 2019-2020. The current Nominating Committee will stay in place until next year, when a new Committee will have to be formed for the 2020 RP election. She then turned the meeting over to Val.
7. Val thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She stated that she will be looking to fill the position of temporary Newsletter Editor while Susan Holland takes a year off to work on her book project. Contact Val if you have an interest.
8. Secretary's Report. The Secretary's report was published in the fall 2017 issue of the Pioneer. There were no corrections. The report stands as published.
9. Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report was published in the Spring, 2018 issue of the Pioneer. Val also handed out copies at the meeting. There were no questions. The report stands as published.
10. Awards. Val called upon the Director to hand out the Awards. Karol Emmerich won an Honorable Mention Award for 'Alpha and Omega'. Karol was not present, so the certificate will be sent to her.
11. Regional Service Award. Kris read the recommendation letter for the Service Award for Jonathan Poulton and awarded him the medal.
12. The President then told the members about the Display Gardens in our Region and encouraged people to see them. Garden Judges number at 40, with 10 instructors. We can have 47, so she invited more people to become judges.
13. The President advised at the Board meeting the previous day, the Board had discussed having one electronic issue per year to save money on printing and postage. One copy will still be printed. A Membership Position will be created for our Region to keep track of the emails. She asked for people to contact her if interested and to also make sure their emails were current with the Region.
14. Jonathan Poulton will be resigning the Science Liaison position at the end of the year. Val announced that Keith Riewerts has agreed to take the job for the next term of 2 years.
15. Kyle Billadeau then got up to talk about joining or renewing with AHS; she has the ability to take credit card payments right here.
16. Popularity Poll. Regional Publicity Director Steve Horan then got up and talked about the Pop Poll, and changes that had been passed at the Board meeting. Our Region has a Hall of Fame for past winners in the Poll where the winners are taken off the ballot every year, and the write-in votes were limited to 5. This year, we would like to increase the write-in option to all 10 votes, if desired. A judge can either vote the ballot as it is, or write in any number of choices up to all 10. Motion by Phil Fass, seconded by Karen Schock to approve this measure. Motion carried. Steve then passed out ballots and offered to collect them for those who wanted to vote tonight; ballots are due 9/1.
17. Val announced that the Open Garden for Sunday at the NDSU Historical Daylily Garden had been cancelled due to the USAF Thunderbirds practicing for the Air Show in Fargo.
18. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kris Henning, Secretary