

AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
NOV 3-4, 2006

FULL MINUTES

President Jeanne Clay Plank called the Fall Meeting of the American Iris Society Board of Directors to order at 7:30 PM on Friday, November 3, 2006, and announced a quorum was present. President Plank welcomed all attendees. Board Members, Committee Chairs, RVP's, and guest in attendance introduced themselves.

Present during the various sessions were: **Officers:** President, Jeanne Clay Plank; 1st Vice President, Dr. E. Roy Epperson; 2nd Vice President, Judy Keisling; General Secretary, Patricia Randall; Treasurer, Jill Bonino. **Administrative Officers:** Registrar/Recorder, Mike and Anne Lowe; Membership Secretary, Tom Gormley; Recording Secretary, Susan Boyce; Publication Sales, John and Kay Ludi. **Directors:** Louise Carson, Paul Gossett, John Jones, Brad Kasperek, John Ludi, Jim Morris, Robert Pries, Gerry Snyder, George Sutton, and Gary White. **RVP Representative:** Bob Keup. **Past President:** Terry Aitken. **Legal Advisor:** Bob Plank. **Committee Chairs:** Cheryl Deaton, Rita Gormley, Michelle Synder, and Margaret Sutton. **RVP's:** Betty Coyle (14). **Guests:** Bill Coyle (14); Bob Ash, Debbie Hughes, Carolyn Needham (18); Perry Dyer, Betty Lou McMartin, Jean Morris, Robert Treadway (22).

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

President Plank announced that as the General Secretary did not receive any additional nominations to the Board of Directors, the four published nominees – Donna James, John Jones, Brad Kasperek, and Joyce Poling – were elected by acclamation.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

Portland, Oregon - May 22-23, 2006.

No additions or corrections were made to the full minutes as posted on the AIS website. There were also no corrections to be made to the Digest Minutes as printed in the AIS Bulletin #343 (October 2006).

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

President - Jeanne Clay Plank requested approval of the following appointments:

1. Mike Lowe as Parliamentarian - Jones moved, Gossett seconded, appointment approved.
2. John Jones as Motion Monitor - White moved, Gossett seconded, appointment approved.

In accordance with standard practice, Plank asked for affirmation of interim

Board action taken by email vote since the April 2006 Board Meeting. Secretary Patricia Randall reported the following Board email actions for affirmation.

- a. The authorization of PayPal as a means of joining AIS via the AIS webpage.
- b. The appointment of Tracy Plotner as the AIS Library Chair.
- c. The approval of a one-time extension of delivery of the Alan Meerow grant report.
- d. The authorization of the purchase with pricing details, of the new Clarence Mahan book.

Epperson moved, Jones seconded and the board approved the affirmation of the four interim actions.

1st Vice President - Roy Epperson deferred his report until later.

2nd Vice President - Judy Keisling deferred her report until later.

General Secretary - Patricia Randall had nothing additional to report.

Treasurer - Jill Bonino

The Silent Auction brought in more money due to more items being donated. There were also a number of generous donations received for the insurance fund. The membership rate increase and increase in other fees are beginning to take effect and are generating more money.

Bonino presented a draft of an investment policy prepared by the Financial Advisory committee. Bonino moved, Jones seconded the policy draft. After discussion the investment policy was amended.

*Sutton moved and Snyder seconded the policy amendment. **Motion carried.** The policy as amended was **passed:**

***Restricted funds shall not be used for general AIS operations. Annual earned income from these investment monies shall remain in the restricted funds, with the exception of the life membership fund interest, unless specifically approved by the Board of Directors.

*Bonino recommended and motioned, seconded by Bob Keup:

***That the Claire B. Barr Library Endowment Fund (a restricted fund) be transferred to the AIS Foundation's restricted AIS Library Endowment Fund.

Motion carried.

The proposed draft budget, part of the Treasurer's report package will be discussed in detail at the end of the meeting.

Bonino also reported that when changing the email addresses of the General Secretary and the Treasurer she discovered that the current subscription with earthlink.net entitles the AIS to use a total of eight different email addresses at no extra cost. We are currently using 5 of the addresses. After discussion, it was suggested that the other 3 available addresses be saved to be used at a later time.

Editor - Bruce Filardi was not present. Representing the Bulletin Advisory Committee, Aitken presented comparisons from 5 different printing companies for

the printing of the AIS Bulletin. After much discussion on cost comparisons, color correctness, paper weights, and printing time, the following recommendation was presented.

*Sutton moved, Gossett seconded:

***That (this year) one issue of the Bulletin be published with #70 paper using the publisher of the Editorial committee's choice. **Motion carried.**

The Bulletin Committee offered some additional recommendations:

*Epperson moved, Randall seconded:

***That the term "the RVPs" be removed from the current Bulletin Obituary Policy effective January 2007 (without affecting obituaries already written and in the obit pipeline). **Motion carried.**

*Jones moved, Gossett seconded:

***That we establish a "Milestones" column in the Bulletin. **Motion carried.**

The Bulletin committee recommended changing the way the AIS presents cultivar names in print so as to bring the AIS into compliance with the International Horticulture Council standard. Many of our Sections such as SIGNA, MIS, and SJI have already adopted this standard.

*Kasperek moved, Keup seconded:

***That we change our naming convention to single quotation marks surrounding the cultivar in upper and lower case print as in 'Sea Power' (Keppel 99). **Motion carried.**

The committee also proposed that AIS only print the listing of Officers, Committee Chairs, Sections, etc. twice a year.

*After much discussion, Keup moved, Keisling seconded:

***That we publish the AIS Officers and Directors, Committee Chairpeople, Chairs of Standing Committees, AIS Sections, Cooperating Societies, Regions & Regional Vice Presidents in only the January and July Bulletins. **Motion Failed.**

The discussion resumed about the frequency of publishing this information.

*Epperson moved, Sutton seconded:

***That publishing AIS Officers and Directors, Committee Chairpeople, Chairs of Standing Committees, AIS Sections, Cooperating Societies, Regions & Regional Vice Presidents remain status quo. **Motion carried.**

The Bulletin Committee further recommended that the Board of Directors revisit the current AIS Bulletin Picture Policy.

*Epperson motioned, Morris seconded:

***That the Current AIS Bulletin Picture Policy from the May 23, 1995 and November 4, 1995 AIS Board Meetings: color pictures used in AIS publications should be registered, introduced irises, properly published species, historical cultivars, and those used for illustrative purposes and overall garden shots, "be reinforced and implemented. **Motion carried.**

Following some discussion about the AIS Bulletin Index and the AIS website,

*Jones motioned and Snyder seconded:

***That the AIS Bulletin Index be placed on the AIS Website. **Motion**

carried.

Advertising Editors - Margaret & George Sutton

Margaret pointed out in their report that although the number of color page ads dropped dramatically when ad rates went up, the number of shopping section ads increased.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

Membership Secretary - Tom Gormley

Tom reported that 141 members took advantage of the triennial upgrade offer. The new PayPal options have accounted for 58 new or renewed memberships. Membership numbers are still declining. There are 314 fewer members than the same time last year. That is a drop of about 5.4%. This drop represents the trend that has been happening for the last few years. As a result of the raise in dues a few years ago, this year's income has remained slightly ahead of the year before. The membership income is predicted to remain flat for the coming year.

The Membership Advisory committee report presented a proposal. In line with the proposal,

*Morris moved, Jones seconded:

***That the AIS should create a members-only section of the AIS Website as an added benefit of membership in the AIS. **Motion carried.**

Registrations/Recorders - Mike and Anne Lowe

Mike Lowe stated that the yearly iris registrations are currently up to 1035.

Ludi recommended ordering a smaller number of Registrations & Introductions for the coming year.

White noted that as we get closer to the 10 year checklist in 2010, each year we will need fewer copies of the R&I, as more people will wait to buy the 10 year checklist and not buy the yearly R&I's. Ludi stated that after the 10 year checklist comes out, that even after a reduction of the price of the previous ten years' R&I's, not many of the R&I's from that decade will be sold.

*Ludi moved and Snyder seconded:

***That AIS print 800 copies of the 2006 R&I. **Motion carried.**

A recommendation for the price of the 2006 R&I was suggested and discussed. Keup motioned, Gossett seconded:

*That the price for the 2006 R&I be set at \$10.00. **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned for the day at 11:00 pm.

Saturday November 4, 2006 - the meeting was called back to order at 8:10 am.

Publication/Sales Directors - John and Kay Ludi

John Ludi reported that the storefront continues to have an excessive amount of World of Iris books and Iris postcards on hand. Ways to reduce the inventory through more publicity, etc were discussed.

*Ludi motions, White seconded:

***That the price of postcards from the Storefront be reduced to \$2.00 each per pack or 3 packs for \$5.00. **Motion carried.**

Ludi reported that the sales of the 10 year checklists has been down ever since they have been available through the Iris register. Bonino suggested creating and offering for sale a set of all of the 10 year checklist.

*Keup motioned and Pries seconded:

***That a set of the 1939 thru the 1999 Checklists be created and to be sold for \$75.00 including postage. **Motion carried.**

Addressing the problem of excess R & I inventory.

*Keup motioned, Morris seconded.

***That a set of the 2000 thru 2005 R&I's be created to be sold for \$45.00 including postage. **Motion carried.**

Ludi reported that the back issues of the AIS Bulletin have not been selling at all. Publicity is needed to promote the availability of older Bulletin issues for sale. In addition, there are 1650 old calendars in storage. Epperson observed that we as a Board agree by consensus that it is in our best interest to reduce inventory. When the Publicity and Marketing Committee submits a recommendation, we will be able to take action by AIS discuss and AIS vote.

Unfinished Business - John Jones stated that the work continues on the AIS logo racetrack design.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Non-profit Incorporation/501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Status - Bob Plank reported work continues with 3 new iris societies to become tax exempt.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Affiliates - Chair Brad Kasperek reported the approval of 178 approved affiliates. There was a modification in the affiliate renewal forms for 2006. Several of the affiliates used the old forms resulting in some confusion.

Awards - Chair Roy Epperson stated that 627 Official AIS 2006 Ballots were mailed. By the due date of the ballot, there were 542 timely ballots received.

Calendars - Chair Terry Aitken reported that for the 2006 calendars the quantity ordered was 3,500 copies. For the 2007 calendars, the quantity ordered was dropped to 2,500 copies, and that still proved too many. In order to reduce the possibility of an excess of unsold calendars, it was recommended that we further reduce the number of calendars ordered.

*Ludi motioned, White seconded:

***That AIS order 2000 copies of the 2008 Calendar and budget at \$6300. **Motion approved.**

Convention Liaison - Chair Paul Gossett reported that there is a possible host for the 2010 or 2011 convention. Gossett has received an invitation for the 2008 AIS Fall board meeting.

*Gossett motioned and Sutton seconded:

***That AIS accept the Las Vegas Iris Society invitation to host the fall 2008 Board meeting. **Motion carried.**

In accepting the invitation for 2008 it became necessary to move the Tulsa, Oklahoma invitation back one year.

*Gossett motioned, Jones seconded:

***That AIS move the Tulsa, Oklahoma Fall Board meeting from 2008 to 2009. **Motion approved.**

Gossett also noted that the convention liaison job is becoming bigger, so Ron Mullin and Dennis Hager have been added to the convention committee.

Donations - Chair Donna James was not present, but her report pointed out that donations have been good for this last year.

Electronic Services - Chair John Jones reported that since the Spring Board meeting PayPal services have become activated on the web page. Except for the Aril Iris Society and the Dwarf Iris Society all sections and co-operating societies are using this web page service.

The Geek Dinner/Auction raised over \$4,000 at the Spring Convention.

The Japanese Iris Society members have the capability to check online their membership status. The AIS would like to make this same kind of service available to its membership.

*Jones motioned and Sutton seconded:

***That Electronic Services create the ability to check AIS membership expiration dates on the AIS website. The information available online would be Name, Member number, Expiration date, and Region. Results displayed would be sorted alphabetically by last name. **Motion approved.**

Returning to the discussion of the AIS members-only page, Jones suggested offering members access to the members-only page with a password.

*Jones motioned and Snyder seconded:

***That Electronic Services publish an annual password for access to the AIS Members-Only Page. **Motion carried.**

Concerning the availability on the web site of detailed individual board reports:

* Jones motioned and Gossett seconded:

***That we make non-privileged board reports on the AIS website. **Motion failed.**

Jones suggested the possibility of putting the AIS Bulletin on the members-only web page in addition to the printed format.

*Jones motioned, Snyder seconded:

***That as soon as the current issue of the Bulletin is shipped to the Post Office for distribution, the Bulletin in PDF format be made available on the Members Only section of the AIS website. **Motion carried.**

President Plank asked a question of Jones. When someone wants to correct

or change something on the webpage, what is the proper approach – how do they do it properly? Jones answered that correcting wrong information about affiliates should come from the RVP's and sent on to the Affiliates Chair, and then to Jones. President Plank suggested that all Regions appoint an electronic secretary to monitor and to make sure that the electronic information for their region is posted correctly on the AIS website.

Historical Resources - Chair Anne Lowe reported that the domain name of *irisinfo.org* has been secured, and soon information will be posted. President Plank stated that the name of this committee will be changed to "Information Resource Committee" for clearer understanding of the services it provides.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am, and the Board went into Executive Session.

The meeting was called back to order at 1:05 pm and the Honorary Awards were announced.

Honorary Awards - President Plank announced the results of the Honorary awards.

The Hybridizers Medals were awarded to Hiroshi Shimizu of Japan, and Hal Stahly (Region 6).

Distinguished Service Medals were awarded to Jim Copeland (Region 6) and Jay Hudson (Region 14).

Bee Warburton Medal was awarded to Susan Webber of Germany.

In an effort to develop a clear policy statement on the vote count needed for Honorary Awards, the following recommendations were presented:

*Epperson motioned and Morris seconded:

***That the percentage of the AIS Board present and voting for the awarding of the Hybridizer's Medal, Distinguished Service Medal, Warburton Medal, and the Gold Medal be set at 75%. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson motioned and Kasperek seconded:

***That on page 9 of the current Handbook referencing the appointment of Emeritus Judges, that the term "75% approval of the directors present and voting is required" be inserted. **Motion carried.**

Foundation Liaison – The report from the Foundation Liaison was set aside for later in the meeting.

Bob Plank, acting as advising attorney for both the AIS and the Foundation in connection with the Hager/DeBose Estate Trust, reported that the AIS Foundation is the sole beneficiary of the Sidney P DuBose Trust. The specific purpose of the Trust is to support the AIS Library, in trust, as a memorial to Sidney P DuBose and Ben R Hager. Trust assets include all of the remaining personal property of Ben and Sid, including a car, a checking account, government securities, plus all of the remaining real property known as Melrose Gardens, (a commercial iris, daffodil, and daylily nursery) in Stockton, CA. Included in the personal property are the awards, mementos, manuscripts, presentations, letters, photographs, and

hybridizing records.

Insurance - Chair Michelle Snyder reported that this year's insurance premium bill was unexpectedly and surprisingly lower than expected. It was noted that this premium drop is puzzling and more than likely just a one-year phenomenon. Any monies donated after October 1, 2006 to the Board for insurance will be held in a fund restricted for insurance premium payment only and used when necessary for meeting insurance premium costs.

Judges - Chair Judy Keisling stated that there are currently 803 judges. Keisling submitted a list of AIS Judges for approval. Last minute changes were inserted.

*Keisling motioned, Epperson seconded:

***That the recommendations for judges for 2007 be approved. **Motion carried.**

Judges Handbook - Chair Roy Epperson proposed that the Board adopt in practice the following changes in practice to the AIS Handbook for Judges and Show Officials, to be effective January 1, 2007. (These changes were adopted in principle at the Spring 2006 Board Meeting).

*Morris motioned, White seconded:

***That AIS adopt changes to Chapter 22 and the revised Chapter 22 of the Judge's Handbook. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson moved approval, Morris seconded:

***That the designation of Judges' titles be: Apprentice (A), Garden/Exhibition (G/E), Senior (S) [formerly Master/Active], Retired (R) [formerly Master/Retired], Master (M) [formerly Emeritus], and Overseas (OS).

Motion carried.

*Epperson moved approval, Jones seconded:

***That, by definition, a fully accredited AIS judge is any currently approved judge in the following categories: G/E, S, M, and OS. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson moved approval, Jones seconded:

***That the following statement in the *Handbook for Judges and Show Officials* (page 8) be deleted: "These judges (Master/Retired) may be used as a show judge if needed by a show committee. They are to be assigned to a panel with an accredited judge or an active Master judge." be approved. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson moved approval, Jones seconded:

***That only fully accredited judges may judge in an accredited show or present a for-credit judges training course. A retired judge may not present a for-credit judges training course. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson moved approval, Gossett seconded:

***That an approved judges' training class be defined as: A structured in-classroom or in-garden instruction for 2 or more participants, presented by a fully accredited AIS judge. A written test of at least 10 questions for each hour of training credit shall be administered, discussed and filed with the regional JT chair. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson moved approval, Morris seconded:

***That the current requirements for in-garden training be reaffirmed.

Motion carried.

*Epperson moved approval, Randall seconded:

***That the current scale of points in the *Handbook for Judges and Show Officials* for the Artistic Division be retained. **Motion carried.**

When serving as Exhibition Chair, Epperson was asked what constitutes a blue ribbon? A discussion was held to formulate a guideline.

*Epperson moved approval, Morris seconded:

***In point scoring in an Exhibition, the judge may wish to follow these guidelines: A cultivar scoring 90 to 100 points merit a Blue Ribbon, a cultivar scoring 80 to 89 points merits a Red Ribbon, and a cultivar scoring 70 to 79 points merits a White Ribbon. The judge should not treat these guidelines as requirements for this makes exhibition judging a mechanical action and does not take into consideration qualitative evaluations. **Motion carried.**

The pricing of the new Judges Training Handbook and the number of copies needed was discussed.

*Gossett motioned and Morris seconded:

***That AIS order 1200 copies of the new Judges Training Handbook insert. **Motion carried.**

*Keup motioned and Bonino seconded:

***That AIS price the Judges handbook binder and insert at \$15.00, and the insert alone be priced at \$12.00. **Motion carried.**

Librarian - Chair Tracy Plotner was not in attendance, but her report stated that in the future she will be submitting a budget request to buy books and some needed filing cabinets.

Historical Chronicles - Chair Clarence Mahan was not in attendance. Mahan has submitted his resignation as chair of the Historical Chronicles. President Plank announced that this committee will be moved into a subsection of the publications department.

Photo Contest – The report from Chair Kitty Loberg, also not in attendance, stated that because of the timing of the end of the contest, most of the winners are not able to plant their new iris rhizomes, so the winner's prizes would be presented to this year's contest winners next year.

*Jones motioned, Morris seconded:

***Approval of a photo contest for 2007. **Motion carried.**

*Epperson motioned and Jones seconded:

***Approval of a budget of \$500 for the 2007 photo contest. **Motion carried.**

The photo contest announcement process was discussed.

*Jones motioned and White seconded:

***That the winning photographs (with attribution) of the 2007 Photo contest be first announced and printed in the January 2008 Bulletin. **Motion**

carried.

*Jones motioned and Snyder seconded:

***That the winning photographs (with attribution) of the 2007 AIS Photo contest be first published on the AIS website in coordination with their publication in the January 2008 Bulletin. **Motion carried.**

*Morris motioned and Gossett seconded:

***That the Board give official commendation to Kitty Loberg for her work on the 2006 Photo contest. **Motion carried.**

Policy - Chair Betty Roberts will not be continuing in this position. Roberts has offered to work with Maureen Marks in publications. Mike and Anne Lowe will assume the Policy Committee Chair for the coming year.

Programs, Slides, and Speakers - Chairs Avery and Joyce Poling were not present but stated in their written report that the Speakers program is underway. There will be an upcoming article in the AIS Bulletin detailing the Speakers and/or the Judges Training list and how to use it.

Public Relations - Chair Bob Pries reported that Ann Violette is in charge of sending out the new member packets. Ernie Henson and Will Plotner are in charge of the AIS screens. Advertising ideas on the internet were discussed.

The meeting recessed at 3:00 pm.

The meeting was called back to order at 3:15 pm.

Robins - Chair Susan Boyce reported that the AISeRobin program is no longer being used. The paper robin program has dwindled down to just a few sectional robin programs, which are being handled by the sections. She asked if the board wants to continue to have a Robin program.

*Keup motioned and Sutton seconded:

***That AIS discontinue the appointment of a director for the Robin activity.

Motion carried.

RVP Counselor - Chair Louise Carson reported that Region 24 was still in need of a RVP for the year ahead.

*Carson motioned, Epperson seconded and **motion carried.**

***That the following RVP's be approved for 2007:

First Year RVPs:

Region 6: Judy Nolin
Region 8: William C. Dougherty
Region 9: Nancy Pocklington
Region 11: Jayme Adams
Region 12: Thomas Miller

Region 14: Lynn Williams
Region 18: Carolyn Needham
Region 22: Robert Treadway

Second Year RVPs:

Region 4: Jerry Coates
Region 7: Hugh Thurman
Region 10: Joe Musacchia
Region 13: Terry Aitken
Region 15: Kathy Chilton

Third Year RVPS:

Region 1: David Nitka
Region 2: Robert Keup
Region 3: Jason Leader
Region 5: Carolyn Hawkins
Region 16: Chris Hollinshead
Region 17: Dana Brown
Region 19: Vince Lewonski
Region 20: Steve Blecher
Region 21: Gary White
Region 23: Pegi Naranjo

RVP Representative - Representative Bob Keup reported that there is no official job description for RVP Rep, and wondered if his job is needed. After much discussion it was decided that the RVP Rep job is indeed needed. It was suggested that there is a need for a website such as RVP/discuss to act as an easy channel of communication for all RVP's.

Scientific Advisory Committee - Chair Gary White reported that Dr Allan Meerow has requested an extension of his grant through April 2007 at no extra cost, and this request was approved by the committee. The committee has begun talking about refocusing the scientific grants program. The committee wants to save the unspent yearly grant money to used at a later time.

*White motioned and Sutton seconded.

***That \$5,000 be allocated for applicable scientific projects and that any monies not awarded during fiscal year 2006-2007 be transferred into the Restricted Scientific Fund. **Motion carried.**

Section Liaison - Chair Jim Morris presented a Median Iris Society proposal that the AIS create a convention award for the best median iris.

*Morris motioned and Keisling seconded:

***That a Ben R Hager Cup for Best Median Iris Society be instituted at

the AIS National Convention as an AIS award to be voted on by attendees of the AIS National Convention for the favorite median observed in the tour gardens during the convention. "Median" is defined as a bearded iris from any of the four classifications officially recognized by AIS.

- a. Standard Dwarf Bearded (SDB)
- b. Intermediate Bearded (IB)
- c. Border Bearded (BB)
- d. Miniature Tall Bearded (MTB)

The Variety must be introduced but is not limited to Official Guest Irises. Any introduced median seen on tour is eligible (same criteria as President's Cup and Franklin Cook Cup). Separate but equal to the two current cups. Example: A variety could win both the Hager Cup and the President's Cup or Franklin Cook Cup. The cost of design and construction of the cup is to be funded by the Median Iris Society. **Motion carried.**

*Morris motioned, Gossett seconded:

***That the Ben R Hager Cup be implemented in 2007 commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Median Iris Society. **Motion carried.**

After much discussion several board members suggested a policy resolution:

*Kasperek motioned, Sutton seconded:

***Be it resolved: Upon approval of the Ben R Hager Cup as an AIS award for Median Iris, the AIS Board recognized that AIS Sections and Cooperating Societies representing currently-recognized classifications of irises may also submit similar requests for consideration by the AIS Board. **Motion carried.**

Silent Auction - Chair Rita Gormley reported that the silent auction was a success, and covered its own cost.

Symposium - Chair Gerry Snyder warned of the possibility that the Symposium report may not be ready in time for the January 2007 Bulletin.

Youth - Chair Cheryl Deaton presented the AIS Youth Protection Guidelines.

*Epperson motioned and Bonino seconded:

***That the AIS Youth Protection Guidelines be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Meeting recessed at 5:15 pm.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:50 pm.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Upon receiving no additional nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and the following slate of officers was elected by acclamation:

President - Jeanne Clay Plank

1st VP - E. Roy Epperson

2nd VP - Judy Keisling

Secretary - Patricia Randall

Treasurer - Jill Bonino

Editor - Bruce Filardi

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS:

*Epperson motioned, Jones seconded and all approved the following Administrative Officers to continue to serve for the next year.

Registrar/Recorder - Mike and Anne Lowe

Membership Secretary - Tom Gormley

Recording Secretary - Susan Boyce

Publications/Sales - John and Kay Ludi

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

*Jones motioned, Epperson seconded and all approved the appointments of the following Committee Chairs for the next year:

Affiliates - Brad Kasperek

Awards - E. Roy Epperson

Calendars - Terry Aitken

Convention Liaison - Paul Gossett

Donations Secretary - Donna James

Electronic Services - John Jones

Exhibitions - Jim and Janet Giles

Foundation Liaison - Gary White

Honorary Awards - Terry Aitken

Information Resource Committee - Anne Lowe

Insurance - Michelle Snyder

Judges - Judy Keisling

Judges Handbook Revision Committee - E. Roy Epperson

Librarian - Tracey Plotner

Managing Editor - Terry Aitken

Photo Contest - Kitty Loberg

Policy - Mike and Anne Lowe

Programs: Digital, Slides, & Speakers - Joyce and Avery Poling

Public Relations & Marketing - Bob Pries

Publications - Maureen Mark

RVP Counselor - Louise Carson

Scientific Advisory Group - Gary White

Section Liaison - Jim Morris

Silent Auction - Rita and Tom Gormley

Symposium - Gerry Snyder

Youth - Cheryl Deaton

BUDGET FOR 2006-2007

Treasurer Bonino opened a line-by-line discussion of the Proposed Budget for the fiscal year 2006-2007, with changes that had been added and subtracted as they came up during discussion throughout the meeting. A balanced budget could not be reached.

*White motioned, Morris seconded and **motion carried**.

***That the proposed budget be approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Meeting 2007 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma will be held April 30 thru May 5, 2007 at the Oklahoma City Marriott, 3233 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112. 1-405-842-6633. Convention Chair F.W. McVicker may be reached at: 1-405-375-3115, email: fwm3115@peoplepc.com

Paul Gossett provided information on the convention and hotel.

President Plank thanked Judy Keisling and her committee for being our hosts at this fall meeting.

ADJOURNED:

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.