

NV-ASA General Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2022

The December meeting was held at the home of John and Barbara Kirkwood and was called to order at 2:45 pm following the Club's annual potluck dinner. In attendance were John & Barbara Kirkwood, Dave and Leslie Nanney, Richard and Ginny Mohr, Ric and Susan Bauer, Dave and Patsy Meadows, Joe and Brenda Klimavicz, Paul and Carolyn Beck, Kathy Jentz, Lars Larson, Don Hyatt, Carol Allen, Chip Benjamin, Paul Davis and Judy Shapleigh.

President Barbara Kirkwood welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded members that it is time to renew their ASA membership. Members may renew either online, mailing a check or calling Treasurer Paul Beck.

The Northern Virginia Chapter is cohosting the ASA convention in Atlanta GA from April 19-23. Paul Beck has been working on the online registration for this event. The site should be up and running January 1. The form is different than previous years' conventions. It will feature an "ala carte" menu meaning you may pick and choose which tours and banquets you wish to attend and be charged accordingly. Volunteers will be needed to staff the registration table.

The Becks are cutting back on their propagation activity. A volunteer is needed to coordinate the Meadowlark spring flower sale.

The following members were nominated to serve as officers for the 2022-23 year: Barbara Kirkwood (President), Ralph Harbegggar (Vice President), Paul Beck (Treasurer) and Joanne Neckel (Secretary). There were no nominees from the floor. Ric Bauer motioned that we approve the presented slate. Dave Nanney seconded. Motion passed.

Barbara updated members on the status of Meadowlark Gardens. She and Leslie Nanney inspected the donated azalea garden and mapped out what needs to be done. Everything at Meadowlark seems to be on hold since they have changed directors. Also on hold are the proposed signage and water irrigation system.

Paul Beck gave the Treasurer's Report. Highlights included the low participation of the fall member-only sale and the low plant sales for the fall outdoor sale. The Meadowlark spring sale, however, proved to be better than expected so plans are to only hold future sales at Meadowlark. Paul reviewed the suggested club donations section of the treasurer's report. Suggested donations include \$1,000 to Green Springs Title 1; \$2,000 to Jenkins Arboretum; \$2,000 to ASA General Fund and \$300 to Kirkwood Church. Dave Nanney motioned that the total donations of \$5,300 be approved. Ric Bauer seconded. Motion passed. Dan Neckel motioned that we accept the proposed budget as presented. Dave Nanney seconded. Motion passed.

Paul Beck asked for a volunteer to transfer some azalea descriptions from the local site to the national site. Paul will be retiring as ASA treasurer next year.

Plans for the next meeting include a joint ASA/ARS in March. Meeting adjourned 3:20 pm.

Submitted by Joanne Neckel, Secretary