

CALLED BOARD MEETING
AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.
June 5, 2021
Cyber Diamond Celebration

President Sue Ramser called the meeting to order at 4:29 p.m. Central Daylight Time. This meeting was conducted via Zoom video conference. Joyce Stork gave the invocation.

In lieu of a roll call, attendance was taken via Zoom by the Acting Secretary, Mary Corondan, as members entered the Zoom meeting and verified via Zoom attendance records. The following Board members were present: Allen, Anderson (Jeri), Anderson (Susan), Bruns, Bui, Carter (Carolee), Corondan, Covolo, Craft, Goretsky, Hall, Jablonski, Jensen, Lahti, Post, Price, Ramser (Sue), Ramser (Charles), Shannon, Skalski, Thompson, and Williams. Lynn Lombard asked to be excused from the meeting. The following Special Committee Chairs attended: Baldwin, Brekel, Carter (Judith), Deutsch, Harden, Riemer, and Stork. Courtesy seats were extended to the following who were in attendance: Sharon Shannon, Third Vice President Nominee; Director Nominees Scott Ammann from Illinois; Kurt Jablonski from Florida; Patricia Mattson from Wisconsin; Leonard Re from California; Danny Tidwell from Arkansas; Past Presidents, Ron Davidson, Winston Goretsky, Linda Hall, Janet Riemer, and Joyce Stork. Courtesy Seats were also extended to these attendees: Amy Carruth, Office Manager; Stephanie Travis, Secretary; Teresa Odle, Editor; Sophia Bennett, Incoming Editor; Susan Anderson, Cyber Diamond Celebration Convention Chair; and Mary Corondan, Cyber Diamond Celebration Show Chair.

A quorum was present for the meeting.

The Standing Rules were adopted at the May 30 Board Meeting. At that meeting the Timekeeper and Tellers were appointed as well as the committee to approve the minutes.

Mary Corondan moved the following on behalf of the Policies and Procedures Committee.

Motion 1 – to revise P&P, p. 73, Section 7, U. Nominating Committee, 5. Duties of the Committee, e. and f., to read as follows: Shall select one (1) nominee for each office to be filled i.e., President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Candidates must have served at least two (2) years on the Board of Directors **and shall be members of AVSA in good standing;** and f. Shall select five (5) nominees for Director from the list maintained by the Nominating Committee Chair. **All candidates shall be members of AVSA in good standing.** Shall attempt to maintain a geographic representation among all directors. The motion was approved.

Motion 2 – to revise P&P, p. 41, Section 7. Special and Standing Committees, A. General, insert new paragraph **1. to read as follows: All members of Special and Standing Committees shall be members of AVSA in good standing.** The motion was approved.

Motion 3 – to revise P&P,

- p. 60, Section 7, P., to read as follows: Fundraising Committee – ~~Special Committee~~
Standing Committee

- p. 65, Section 7, S., to read as follows: Marketing Committee – ~~Special Committee~~
Standing Committee
- p. 94, Section 7., KK., to read as follows: Website Committee – ~~Special Committee~~
Standing Committee

The motion was approved.

Winston Goretsky announced there would be a new directors' orientation to be held at later date. The new directors as well as the directors that were elected in 2020 are invited to attend this orientation session. The directors should notify Sue Ramser of their availability. Susan Anderson and Sue Ramser will coordinate dates for this meeting.

Winston Goretsky thanked the Executive Committee for asking him to serve as Past President in the place of Dr. Richard Nicholas. He appreciated their confidence in him. President Ramser said that Winston will be invited to attend the new directors' orientation.

President Ramser reminded everyone that the Society Awards and Installation Event would be held at 7:00 p.m. this evening. There will be some surprises at this event.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Submitted by:

Mary Corondan, Acting Secretary

Committee to Approve:

Randy G. Deutsch, Chair

Linda Price

Joyce Stork