

July 6, 2020 Zoom Meeting – Final

6:00 PM – Culture Class Roy Krueger

6:30 PM Business Meeting Marta Hudson started the meeting by welcoming everyone from the Sarasota Orchid Society family.

Pandemic Update – Our doors at Selby's may have been closed since March due to COVID-19 but we never stopped supporting our members. Through best chosen internet meeting system, SOS has been able to reach out to many of you willing to be open minded and go with what the new normal permits us. All of this was made possible through the support of our fabulous volunteers who continued to work diligently looking for alternatives to keep you engaged, connected and learning while we still manage to Show the beautiful orchids we grow.

I. Bylaws Implementation:

Director Positions Open (odd year):

Development &
Communications

Committee Open Positions:

Set Up & Clean Up;
Refreshment Chair,
Photographer,
SOS Counselors,
Fund Raising
Conservation,
Webmaster,
Show Set-up & Tear down

- II. **Word of the month: Fusarium (fuser-i-um) wilt:** A fungus 'among us'... a soil-borne pathogen that blocks the flow of moisture. It can infect a plant through orchid roots or by invading the rhizome of recently divided plants. It is often spread through improper hygiene, generally as a result of using nonsterile cutting tools, which transfers the fungus from plant to plant. Infected leaves are yellow, thin, shriveled, wrinkled or wilted and eventually die. Severely infected plants may die in 3-9 weeks, while mildly infected plants gradually decline over a year or so.

- III. **Quote of the month:** I guess the real fact of the matter is ... we don't know what tomorrow will bring, and the only thing we really have is ... right now. So, don't stay mad for too long. Learn to forgive and love with all your heart. Live every day of your life the way you want to live it. Don't worry about people who do not like you. Enjoy the ones who love you. Be happy enjoy life!

IV. Workshop... June 6, at Palmers

Susan Gerhardt – report on past event at Plantio la Orquidea

- V. **Next Monthly Meeting: August 3rd Via Zoom**
- VI. **Next Board Meeting: August 31 via Zoom**
- VII. **Annual Show & Sale:** Continue conducting business as usual as if the show would go on, at the same time that brainstorming to design the best possible **Plan B** in case that the Auditorium cancels our reservation.

7:00 Speaker Presentation Ron McHatton - "Demystifying Dendrobiums"

8:00 PM Virtual Display Table Presentation with Roy Krueger

8:30 - PM Door prize announced ... winner ????

Marta Adjourned the meeting and thanked all again for the amazing cooperation and hard work and willingness to explore the "new normal" standards and adapting to the unknown with ease. Marta asked for a round of applause to all those members, behind the scenes, that have made this "virtual meeting" so fun and delightful.

Please stay safe and healthy, and God Bless you!