

# August 2nd, 2021 Meeting Minutes Final

**6:00 PM Business Meeting** Marta Hudson started the meeting by welcoming everyone then asked Roy to continue with his Culture Class presentation.

**6:00 PM – Culture Class** Roy

## **Orchid Tasks For August by Motes**

- Finish cutting teretes and reed stem epidendrums early in month
- Reset strap leaf vandas early or not at all
- Dry hard once or twice
- Continue anti-fungal spray program
- Apply snail bait lightly twice ten days apart.

**6:30 PM –** Marta greeted everyone continuing to address the ongoing challenges of COVID and social distancing doing the best to keep you engaged, not isolated, yet protected in the environment you choose to stay.

**Membership update –** Amy gave us an update on New members, Guests, Forms, Members' dues - Reminded members about the emails containing invoices/pledges in the mail. Please pay with credit card or send a check to the address in the application. Contact Amy for the New Motes Month to Month Books, a must have for everyone.

Marta continued and spoke about the following ongoing topics:

## **Members Social Activities:**

- Third New Members Gathering: was July 10th, started at 9:00 am at Marta's House & ended at Mary Jo's.
- Happy Hour/Brown bag lunch glass fusing activity - 2Di4Glass.com
- How to Make A Japanese Moss Ball - The Art Of Kokedama

**Word of the month:** epiphyte (EP-i-fite) A plant that naturally grows on another plant or other means of support above the earth's soil but, in contrast to parasitic, deriving its needed moisture from the air. Suggested video by MissOrchidGirl on Epiphyte, terrestrial and semi terrestrial

**Quote of the month:** Complacency: Is self-satisfaction while ignoring or being unaware of danger or deficiency. Mike Staver

Last month: Good teams become great ones when the members Trust each other enough to surrender the 'ME' to the 'WE'

**Facebook Public Page & Private Group:** Group Rules and protocols. Postings, Monthly Banner Contest, Likes, Seen.

**Newsletter ads:** Your Business card jpg format, \$120/year (monthly newsletter). Send to Marta

**Volunteers Needed:**

Website Editor, Network Administrator (maintenance only as it is up and running thanks to Laurie Stoner) and another Photographer for the photography committee: See Marta

**Committee Volunteers** Orchids in Paradise Annual Show & Sale January 2022- See Larry Desiano (Show Director) as Nancy Morrison, Show Volunteers coordinator was present via Zoom not in person)

**Ongoing or Upcoming Activities:**

- I. **Mentoring program** –Contact Randy
  - II. **Next Monthly Meeting:**
    - o September 6th Labor Day Picnic – Annual Potluck event. Bingo? Signup sheet – Susan Gerhardt
  - III. **IPA International Phalaenopsis Alliance Symposium:** August 6-8  
604 E Main St Apopka
  - IV. **Next Board Meeting:** August 30<sup>th</sup> at Karen Clark's.
  - V. **Tamiami International Orchid Festival:** October 1st - 3rd, 2021 from 10am - 6pm daily. Fruit and Spice Park. 24801 SW 187th Ave, Homestead – Contact Tommy Klauber if you planning to carpool or share rooms with other orchid friends.
  - VI. **Orchids in Paradise Annual Show & Sale:** January 8-9 (setup on the 7<sup>th</sup>)
  - VII. **Members Social Activities:** Already covered in Membership Section
  - VIII. **Next Spring Home Tours** – See Marta and Christy May
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**6:45 BREAK** – Refreshments – Vote for plants - 15 minutes – See Larry

**7:00 Speaker Presentation:** Speaker Bob Scully - "Ideas for Summer Bloomers & More"

Denny Pavlock (SOS Past President), introduced Bob and said: A second-generation commercial orchid specialist, Bob Scully grew up around orchids. Got a Bachelor of Science degree in horticulture from the University of Florida and a Master of Science, also in horticulture, from the University of Hawaii. Back in Miami, he worked at his family orchid nursery "Jones and Scully", aka "Orchidglade" In 1992 Hurricane Andrew blew through South Florida destroying Jones and Scully Nursery.

Bob has been an American Orchid Society certified judge since 2001.

With slides, Bob will illustrate some examples for species and hybrids that will flower & last during the hottest time of the year late Spring through Summer with comments and related anecdotes.

Now he is retired and as a hobbyist, he continues to grow & enjoy a varied collection of orchid species and hybrids (400 plants) at home in Lakewood Ranch where he lives with his wife Susan.

**7:00 PM Virtual Display Table** Presentation with Larry Desiano as Roy had to leave early.

**7:30 - PM Raffle & Silent Auction – Susan**

**Marta** adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone who attended. Reminded all to help cleaning up and wished all to drive safe and stay healthy.