

Attendees: Sandi, Javier, Guy, Sally, Ed, Cheryl and Tom
7:50 meeting was called

Financial Report Review: Aug Auction was a huge success, we made more money than past years with less number of plants exceeding our budget as well. Great job everyone!

Aug Auction Reflection:

What worked:

- 1) Tom as runner worked well
- 2) It was very helpful that Sandi moved the plants up and cleaned up tables during the auction
- 3) Set up was very early, ready by 6:30pm!

What can be improved:

Auctioneers will conclude the sale with: "Plant # is sold to Buyer # at price \$" to help the back office paperwork.

Speaker Fee Discussion: Will handle it case-by-case, but regular speaker fee remains at \$150 for speaker, and \$150 plant table to 15 plants.

Plant table discussion: Purchase of Andy's orchids was a good choice, thanks to Chen-hao bringing those orchids back, and Guy, Ann and Sarah for babysitting them. For future, Guy suggested to consider buying orchids at 40% discount from SVO. Based on his personal experience, SVO plants were good choice: average about \$7-\$8/plant and ready to grow.

Improving of SCVOS Society discussion: We discussed a few areas potentially can be improved, e.g. membership involvement and interests, Newsletter of Communication and Website Communications in both formats and content, and how to be better growers etc. Next Steps: Javier and Guy to come up a survey addressing to board members as a starting point, and email out to all board members and collect results before next board meeting.

Permanent location for Monthly boarding meeting: Guy will follow up with his Club president to have more firm answer.

Speaker Line-ups:

Sep: "What questions to ask to become a better orchid grower" by Jonathan Robbins from Flori culture; Oct,Nov: TBD

2019 Show Date: Conrad suggested us to discuss the date, either in March or May. (Easter is Apr 21st, 2019; POE Feb 22nd; Santa Barbara: Mar 16-17, 2019; Cheryl won't be available Mar 22-24th) **Suggest: Mar 29-31, 2019!**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:38pm.