

**BONSAI SOCIETY OF PORTLAND
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2020**

Present were Board Members:

Vice-President Programs	Reid Parham
Vice-President Membership	Patrice Morrow
Treasurer	Patty Myrick
Secretary	Laura Hudson

President Joe Johanesen was absent due to shoulder surgery. Brandon Myren, candidate for Secretary 2021 -2022 also joined us.

The meeting was held via Zoom teleconference, due to the COVID-19 shut down.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Reid.

Minutes - the minutes of the October 6th board meeting were approved.

BOARD REPORTS

President – no report due to Joe’s absence

Treasurer

Patty sent the financial statements out earlier. They were accepted as written. Patty made an inventory of the things in the rented storage shed, not the one at Milwaukie Center.

Programs

Andrew Robson will be the presenter in November, focusing on fall work on deciduous trees. Elections will happen first. Reid needs to figure out how best to accomplish this. Patrice offered to help.

Patrice asked how to suggest presenters. There is no formal process – just email Reid. Patrice saw a presentation by Young Choe and thought BSOP might like it.

Membership

Patrice reported that we got 2 new members over the past month for a total of 391 members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambassador - Keith Wingfield –

Auction - Dane Burrell

The Facebook BSOP auction went well, and Joe suggests we try to do them regularly until we can meet in person again. He suggested that the auction be longer and the end time be moved from Friday at 5:00 PM to Saturday at 5:00 PM so it is easier for people who work to participate. Patrice agreed with those suggestions.

Audio/Visual - Reid reported that it was a large effort to get the presentations edited and uploaded to you-tube. One member asked about transcriptions or captions because he had trouble understanding on Zoom. The board agreed to look into options and Patrice will lead that effort.

Events –

- Spring show – none in 2020;
- Portland Nursery Show – cancelled.
- Summer picnic – cancelled for 2020
- Fall Show – cancelled for 2020
- Holiday party – cancelled for 2020

Facilities Coordinator- Reid Parham

Heritage – Steve Leaming, Brandon Myren & Patrick McDougall – Steve did not understand that the board agreed to tell Steve to proceed with the sale however he wants, as long BSOP incurs no costs/liability (pick up by purchaser only). There is no need to hold trees for the fall show in 2021. Brandon agreed to reach out to him to clarify.

Hospitality – Brandon McMullin

Library – Barbara Devitt

Mentorship – Howard Greisler –

Newsletter – Peter Pelofske – articles due the 10th of the month.

Photographer – Jim Baggett

Raffle –

Social media – Scott Tice – Scott is monitoring the Facebook auctions.

Super Raffle –

Volunteer coordinator –

Webmaster – Karl Holmes

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Board agreed to skip outstanding volunteer awards for 2020, since we have not had many opportunities for volunteering in this year.
- Election specifics – no need for vote count or for votes for individual positions since we only have one person running per office. The board agreed to present the slate and ask everyone to vote in favor of it.

Next Board meetings: We will meet via Zoom on December 1st.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Hudson