

## Idaho Native Plant Society Annual Meeting Minutes, June 22, 2013

LaMar Orton, President of the Idaho Native Plant Society (INPS), called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m. near the end of dinner at the Owyhee Plaza Hotel, Boise, Idaho. The Annual Meeting for 2013 was held as a joint meeting with the American Penstemon Society. LaMar thanked the committee for all of the hard work in arranging the joint meeting and field trips.

The first item of business was approval of the minutes of the June 23, 2012 Annual Meeting as submitted by Secretary Nancy Miller. A motion to approve the minutes was made, seconded and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer Elaine Walker then gave a brief overview of INPS finances: year-to-date income, \$4,125.06 from membership dues; \$102 from Sage Notes ads; \$540.28 from calendar sales and \$760.00 from donations –ERIG. Total expenses were \$3,998.17 with the largest items being the printing of Sage Notes \$1,871.10 and dues to chapters \$578.52. Total assets are \$14,562.54; liabilities are \$4,137.25; balance is \$10,425.29

Elaine also gave the membership report. The membership total is 392 with 77 households having two members. The total number of members is 469. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the treasurer and membership reports.

This year an election was held for president and secretary. LaMar Orton received 54 votes for president with no write-ins and will serve for 2 more years. Alan Crockett received 53 votes with no write-ins for secretary and will serve for two years.

LaMar then thanked Nancy Miller (outgoing secretary) for her many years of service, especially when she and Jody Hull kept the organization going when there was no president or vice president.

Also on the election ballot was approval of the revised by-laws, which were approved with 53 votes and no negative votes.

The next annual meeting will be held in Twin Falls with the Upper Snake Chapter and the Eriogonum Society jointly hosting the meeting and field trips, June 20-22, 2014. One field trip will be to the Gooding City of Rocks, north of Gooding.

LaMar reported that the Board is struggling to know what members want from the organization and a survey has been drafted to get member feedback. How members want to receive Sage Notes is one particular item on the survey. The survey should be available within a month and will be available online. LaMar encouraged all members to participate in the survey.

Finally, LaMar noted that this annual meeting is the first time that INPS has held a joint meeting with another organization. It has been a wonderful and successful experience with greatly expanded opportunities for learning. He thanked everyone that came. The business meeting concluded at about 7:30 p.m.

LaMar then turned the meeting over to Karie Pappani, president of the Pahove chapter, to award Ann DeBolt and Roger Rosentreter with lifetime memberships in INPS for their years of service to INPS and native plants.

Respectfully submitted by  
Alan Crockett, Secretary  
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