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Florida Council of

1983 OFFICERS:

Chairman (Fla. West Coast) Ellen Jay Peyton

Vice Chairman (Broward) Polly Pascal

Society Name	Meeting Place
Bromeliad Society of Broward County	Holiday Park Annex 844 NE 7th Ave. Ft. Lauderdale, Fl.
Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Soc.	1st Fed. S & L N. Ft. Myers, Fl.
Bromeliad Society of Central Florida, Inc.	Garden Cottage, Leu Gardens; 1730 North Forest; Orlando, Fl.
Florida West Coast Bromeliad Society	St. Catherine Catholic Church - Belcher Road Largo, Florida
Imperial Polk Bromeliad Society	Div. of State Plant Ind. 3027 Lake Alfred Drive Winter Haven, Fl.
Jacksonville Bromeliad Society	Agric. Extension Learning Center; 1010 N. McDuff Jacksonville, Fl.
Sarasota Bromeliad Society	GTE Conference Room 1660 Ringling Blvd. Sarasota, Fl.
Seminole Bromeliad Society	Seminole Ag. Center South Hwy 17-92 Sanford, Fl.
Bromeliad Society of South Florida, Inc.	Fairchild Gardens Old Cutler Road Miami, Florida
Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay	Seminole Garden Center 5800 Central Avenue Tampa, Florida

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT *Ellen Jay Peyton*

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies met on Saturday, January 8, 1983, at Marie Selby Gardens in Sarasota, hosted jointly by the Sarasota Bromeliad Society and Florida West Coast Bromeliad Society. All ten of the member societies were represented. Members appearing for the first time on the Council were introduced, as were the guests (Connie Johnson of Miami, newly elected BSI Director; Harry Luther of the Bromeliad Identification Center and Tinker Musley of Jax, permanent Chairman of the Multi-Media Library project of FCBS). All have been invited to attend all meetings of FCBS.

Minutes of the October, 1982, meeting were corrected as follows: Outstanding accounts receivable due FCBS corrected to read \$1,800.00, with two payments of \$900. instead of \$800. as recorded. Treasurer's balance, general account, was corrected to read \$1,477.78. Corrected minutes approved.

Treasurer's report was waived as new Treasurer had just received the books.

Grande: A motion was made by Carol Johnson, seconded by Polly Pascal, that a \$300.00 down payment on the purchase of Grande inventory be accepted and a note drawn for the balance of \$1,500.00, payable at \$100.00 per month, plus 1/2 of 1% interest charged on the unpaid balance. Motion passed after much discussion.

Multi-Media Library: A motion was made by Nat DeLeon seconded by Roberta Virta, that Chairman Tinker Musleh be authorized to pay for duplicating slides, reporting expenses from one meeting to the next. Motion passed.

Profit to FCBS for the 1982 State Show was \$22.00.

Tinker Musleh, Chairman of the 1983 State Show in Jacksonville, passed out information sheets and a draft of the schedule, and requested that the reps promote participation in their various societies.

Sarasota Sr. Rep. Hazel Quilhot read a proposal just received from Selby Gardens for the 1984 State Show. This proposal was tabled until the next meeting in order to give the Sarasota Bromeliad Society membership a chance to hear and act on the proposal. Motion to table was by Nat DeLeon, seconded by Polly Pascal, and carried.

Newsletter: A motion was made by Vicky Chirnside, seconded by Ron Schoenau, that Carol Johnson be advanced \$100.00 for pre-publication costs of each issue of the Newsletter, with accounting at each meeting. Passed.

Carol Johnson reported that an internal audit has been completed on FCBS accounts. This audit was made in order to prepare financial statements and balance sheets to accompany the Council's application for non-profit status. Application was forwarded to IRS early November, 1982. At this January meeting it has passed a "screening committee", but letter of authorization has not been received.

In other matters not requiring a vote, the Council:

1. Chairman Ellen Peyton presented Vicky Chirnside with a Past-Chairman plaque and the members joined in thanking Vicky for her work in 1982.
2. \$1.00 annual dues were collected from all 10 Sr. Reps present.
3. Pictures were taken during the break.
4. Reps were reminded that it is time to update the Speaker's Bureau listings.
5. In a discussion of raising much needed funds, it was proposed that FCBS publish a cultural handbook.
6. Nat DeLeon, Miami Sr. Rep and also President of BSI, informed us that in the January-February issue of the Journal of BSI that there are upcoming nominations due for BSI Directors. Florida will be entitled to one more director and there will be two vacancies in the "At Large" category. The terms of these offices are 1984-1986, and nominations must be made by March of 1983.
7. John Bollin of Sarasota was appointed by the Chairman to fill the Parliamentarian position which has been vacant for some time.
8. Chairman appointed Carol Johnson Chairman of a By-Laws study committee, along with John Bollin, the Chairman and others to be appointed. Recommendations for By-Laws changes, if any, will be mailed to the Reps before the next meeting.

Many thanks to our hosts for the delicious lunch. The next Council meeting will be at the Orange Park Mall in Jacksonville, the site of the 1983 State Bromeliad Show.

