

MINUTES OF GAINESVILLE BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF APRIL 28, 2019

Hector Urbina from the Plant Pathology Department of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services spoke about Bromeliad Diseases and Disorders in Florida. The main problems bromeliads have is with certain fungi and bacteria but if the plant is healthy, it pretty much takes care of itself.

The business meeting began at 2:55 with the approval of the March minutes.

The treasurer reported that as of April 27 the balance in the account was \$4,768.32. Additionally, dollars came in today from the plant sale, the auction, another donation for the Carolyn fund, and a new membership. The Society now has an account at Campus Credit Union and Mary White will remain as a signatory.

Sandy Burnett announced that the Orlando Extravaganza would be September 20-21 with a plant sale on Saturday. She indicated that the Gainesville Society needed to produce 5 items for sale – preferably not plants. A book was suggested and she is looking for more ideas.

The tree dedicated to Carolyn Schoenau has been purchased and we will be notified when it is planted so that members can attend the ceremony.

For the May meeting, Howard Frank will speak on insects on bromeliads and will provide a title at a later date.

Mary White announced the Master Gardeners plant sale set for May 18.

A head count indicated 26 people in attendance.

Meeting concluded at 3:10.