

Minutes of the AIS Board of Directors Videoconference, Tuesday, June 8, 2021
Special meeting: Judges Handbook Revision

Present:

Jody Nolin (6) - President, Affiliate Chair

Andi Rivarola (15) - 1st VP, Convention Liaison (temporary), Public Relations Social Media,
Strategic Planning

Bonnie Jean Nichols (17) – 2nd VP, Judges, RVP 17

Gary White (21) - Immediate Past President, Honorary Awards, Finance

Claire Schneider (15) – Director, Recording Secretary

Howie Dash (23) – Director, RVP Counselor

Janis Shackelford (15) – Director, Policy, RVP 15

Lorene Crone (7) - Director, Electronic Services

Mike Reed (17) - Director, Awards

Neil Houghton (2) - Director, Image Coordinator, Iris Program Resources Digital

Phyllis Wilburn (14) – Director, Section & Cooperating Society Liaison

Susan Driver (7) - Director, Calendars

Wayne Messer (21) - Director, Exhibition Show Reports, News & Notes, RVP 21

Jean Richter (14) - RVP 14

John Ludi (13) – RVP 13, Publication Sales Director

Lois Rose (4) - Exhibitions Schedules

This special meeting was called to review, edit and approve chapters for the next version of the *Handbook for Judges and Show Officials*. The meeting began on Zoom at 5:00 PM PDT. Chapter 21 Reblooming Iris, Chapter 28 Single Blossom Entry, and a Judge's Training Record were on the agenda.

A quorum was present.

Motion 1: To approve Chapter 21 Reblooming Iris as revised.

Motion by Janis Shackelford and seconded by Bonnie Nichols. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: There was an extensive discussion about whether reblooming irises should be judged on a different scale than once-blooming iris. The consensus was no; reblooming iris should be evaluated using the same criteria and point scales as once-blooming iris. A reminder to the everyone is that this new version of the *Handbook for Judges and Show Officials* is electronic which will make revising a chapter much easier and timely. Chapter 21 was approved as revised by the Board of Directors. The Reblooming Iris Society (RIS) is welcome to submit a revision of this chapter following the timeline established by the Handbook Team. To increase recognition, one suggestion was that the RIS create a special medal for reblooming irises.

Motion 2: To revise Chapter 4, “Rules and Regulations of an Iris Show,” pages 3 & 9, to make single blossom entries eligible for award ribbons, special section awards and section rosettes, but not eligible for Best Specimen of Show.

Motion by Howie Dash and seconded by Phyllis Wilburn. Motion carried.

Motion 3: To approve Chapter 28 Single Blossom Entry as amended.

Motion by Janis Shackelford and seconded by Susan Davis. Motion carried.

The Judge’s Training Record was reviewed and revised. It will be located in the Appendix of the *Handbook*.

All of the chapters in the *Handbook* have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors. Remaining pieces of the *Handbook* are the Glossary, Appendices, and Introduction. The current plan is to have the Handbook available by August 1, 2021. It was suggested that regional fall meetings include a session in their schedule for the introduction of the *Handbook*, version 7.

There was news that the spring and summer issues of the Bulletin will arrive late and later.

The next regular monthly AIS Board meeting will be Wednesday, June 23.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM PDT.

Respectively submitted,
Claire Schneider