

Minutes of the AIS Board of Directors Videoconference, Tuesday, April 13, 2021
Special meeting: Judges Handbook Revision
Approved by the AIS Board of Directors, May 11, 2021

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
Doug Chyz (5) - Director, Public Relations & Marketing
Howie Dash (23) – Director, RVP Counselor
Janis Shackelford (15) – Director, Policy, RVP 15
Lorene Crone (7) - Director, Electronic Services
Phyllis Wilburn (14) – Director, Section & Cooperating Society Liaison
Scarlett Ayres (23) - Director, AIS 2022 Convention Co-Chair
Susan Driver (7) - Director, Calendars
Wayne Messer (21) - Director, Exhibition Show Reports, News & Notes, RVP 21
Jean Richter (14) - RVP 14, RVP Representative

John Ludi (13) – RVP 13, Publication Sales Director
Catherine Mason (10) - RVP 10
Lynda Miller (13)
Robert Treadway (22)
Tom Waters (23)

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 5:05 PM PDT. Chapters 15 Louisiana, 12 MDB and 18 Species & SPEC-X were on the agenda.

A quorum was present.

Motion 1: To approve Chapter 15 Louisiana Iris with changes and with Robert Treadway’s revised version of the diagram of Flower Forms on page 6.
Motion by Bonnie Nichols and seconded by Janis Shackelford. Motion passed.

Discussion: The diagram on page 6, “Flower Forms” needs to be redone. Robert Treadway recommended removing Upright Standards, Umbrella Pendant and Ruffled Form. He also recommended changing three of the names and adding Cartwheel Form. Andi Rivarola volunteered to create the line drawing for Cartwheel Form. There was a discussion about the spelling of “pendent.” Pendant, a noun, is something hanging from a necklace while pendent, an adjective, describes hanging or dangling.

Motion 2: To approve Chapter 12 MDB.

Motion by Bonnie Nichols and seconded by Phyllis Wilburn. Motion passed.

Motion 3: To approve Chapter 18 Species & SPEC-X with changes.

Motion by Gary White and seconded by Susan Driver. Motion passed.

Discussion: There was an extended discussion about the title and class of irises in this chapter. It was decided the title should be “Ch 18 Species & SPEC-X” with the definition of SPEC-X coming from SIGNA. The SPEC-X is a hybrid that does not fit into any other category of iris and may or may not have a species parent.

There are two chapters remaining to be approved: Chapter 21 Reblooming and Chapter 28 Single Blossom. A proposed date for the availability of the online version of the revised *Handbook* is September 1, 2021 (not 2022!). A proposed date for the print version is October 1, 2021. In addition to being able to download the entire *Handbook*, people should be able to download single chapters. John Ludi suggested using 50-pound bond paper. One recommendation is to format *the Handbook* as 8.5 by 11 inches for several reasons: inconsistent pagination between the two different sizes, ability to place the *Handbook* in a regular, 3-ring binder, cheaper to print because of fewer number of pages, and ability to include pocket dividers within *the Handbook*.

The next special AIS Board meeting to review *Handbook* chapters will be June 8th (Tuesday).

The next regular monthly AIS Board meeting will be TUESDAY, May 25th.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM PDT.

Respectively submitted,
Claire Schneider