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Executive Board Meeting, Society Office
January 20, 1940

Minutes approved June 23, 1940 R.S. Mackintosh Secy.

Meeting called to order at 11:40 a.m. by President Fischer.

Members Present: L. R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, R. S. Mackintosh, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Mrs. J. A. Dougherty, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, R. W. Goddard, F. D. Turner, Charles Hofmann, N. J. Holmberg.

Mr. Mackintosh had a display of the various record books, files and machines used in the office and described how the work of the society was carried on.

RECESS FOR DINNER

President Fischer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Additional Members Present: W. H. Alderman, F. C. Schletty, J. D. Winter, and T. E. Carpenter. Charles Hofmann was excused.

The mimeographed minutes of the meetings held on November 14 and 16, 1939 were sent to all board members prior to this meeting. The secretary mentioned a few changes: The amendments were unanimously adopted. In response to resolution of April 1, 1939. "I thank your Executive Board for its good wishes and congratulations on my birthday. Very lovely." Maria L. Meader, Tilton, New Hampshire

On motion of Mr. Goddard the minutes were approved as corrected.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meetings held on December 9, 1939 and January 6, 1940 were mimeographed and sent to all members of the board. Mr. Alderman moved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meetings be approved. Carried.

Mr. Aamodt gave a fine report of the meeting of the Speakers Committee and on motion of Mrs. Sellwood the report was accepted.

Mr. Sando mentioned that clubs might go together in paying for speakers and that it be mentioned in a letter to the affiliated societies.

Mr. Aamodt presented a report of the committee on District Organizations and Mr. Winter moved that the report of the committee be accepted. Carried.

It was suggested that the clubs be informed that they should consult their county agents about speakers that might be available for club meetings.

The committee on the Horticultural Building at the State Fair was asked to hold a meeting this spring.

State Garden Flower Show at the State Fair: Some dissatisfaction was reported regarding the garden displays staged by several affiliated societies in 1939. Mrs. Sellwood moved that the educational exhibits at the State Fair be left to the discretion of the Committee on State Fair Exhibit. Carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the medals to be given at the National Peony Show be left to the Executive Committee. Carried.

The question on having an Award of Merit in addition to Society Medals and Honorary Life Membership Certificates was discussed briefly.

Making Colored Films by members: Mr. Turner moved that the society pay for any films selected by the committee. Carried.

Mr. Dunn thought that a charge should be made for using the slides and projector.

Mr. Goddard moved that a charge of 25 cents be made for the use of the films and projector and 25 cents a day penalty for keeping them overtime. Carried.

Mr. Mackintosh moved that a meeting of the Board be held during the National Peony Show at Rochester. Carried.

On motion the Board adjourned.

_____ Secretary

_____ President

Meeting of Executive Committee
Society Office, March 28, 1940

Members Present: L. R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, R. S. Mackintosh.

The contract for printing submitted by the Bruce Publishing Company was discussed and the secretary asked to find out just what was expected of our members in securing advertisements and regarding extra cost of tabular matter.

The premium list for the State Fair Flower show was presented and the secretary asked to consult with Mrs. Taylor regarding a few changes. (It was later approved and forwarded to the Agricultural Society. Also, to be printed in the June magazine - Secretary.)

The material to be used in Society Fonder "A" to be left to the secretary.

It was voted to continue offering free trips to 4-H Garden club members.

Adjourned.

_____ Secretary.

Executive Board Meeting
Austin Restaurant, Rochester
June 23, 1940

Members Present: Louis R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, R.S. Mackintosh, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Mrs. J.M. Sellwood, Mrs. J.S. Taylor, Miss Minnie Urban, T.E. Carpenter, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. Rudolph Jackson, Mrs. Wingate, and F.D. Turner.

The mimeographed minutes of the meeting held January 20, 1940 were sent to all board members prior to the meeting, and they were approved as writtem.

The Treasurer presented a preliminary financial report.

Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson gave a very interesting report on the organization of the eighth district. She enumerated some of the many activities planned for the district.

The first district was organized June 22, 1940. Miss Minnie Urban was chosen president, and has the honor of being the first district to attend a board meeting.

The Secretary read a report from Mrs. Arthur Eckley, chairman of the Speakers Committee, giving a list of persons who had offered to speak at club meetings.

Mrs. Taylor, chairman of the Committee on State Fair Exhibits, reported that a few changes had been made in the premium list for this year and that arrangements had been made for five room displays.

Mr. Carpenter moved that there should be no advertising used in these room display booths. Motion carried.

On motion it was voted to accept the report of the special awards committee that a Society Bronze medal be awarded Professor T.A. Erickson, State Leader of 4-H Club work 1913-1940.

Mr. Carpenter made a motion that the three trophies, which he had offered last year for outstanding achievements in the securing of memberships, be awarded. Motion carried.

Mr. Mackintosh stated that the movie projector and slides, loaned during the year, had been returned in fine condition. He submitted the question of what should be done about the movie projector and slides for the coming year. Mr. Dunn moved that fifty dollars be allowed for educational slides. Motion carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the Executive Committee consider disposing of the movie material before it becomes out of date. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn that the contract for printing the magazine, submitted by the Bruce Publishing Company, be signed and delivered. Motion carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that a tentative date for the annual meeting be set for a day between the tenth and eighteenth of November, and that the selection of the exact date be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Wednesday, November 6, 1940

Annual meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

10:00 A.M. The meeting was called to order by R. S. Mackintosh and T. A. Hoverstad acted as chairman.

The secretary reported that Tuesday, November 5, was General Election Day and a legal holiday.

A quorum not being present it was voted to adjourn to ten A.M., November 13, 1940, at the Saint Paul Hotel, Saint Paul.

T. A. Hoverstad
Chairman

R. S. Mackintosh
Secretary

November 13, 1940.

Meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society was called to order by John Nylof in the St. Paul Hotel at noon November 13, 1940.

There were not enough members present to make a quorum and the members present decided to postpone the meeting until December 2, 1940.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Nylof

Hotel Saint Paul
Saint Paul, Minn.

November 17, 1940

The Executive Committee met in Suite 216, at 11:00 o'clock A.M.

Members present: Louis R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, and R. S. Mackintosh.

The secretary reported that the severe storm on November 11 and 12, caused the postponement of the annual meeting scheduled for November 13 and 14.

After a thorough discussion of the questions it was decided to hold an adjourned meeting on January 23, at University Farm during Farm and Home week, and the secretary to make arrangements for the meeting.

It was decided to request J. D. Winter to assist the secretary regarding the feasibility of having the apple show set up at the time of the meeting.

It was voted to purchase a second projector for another set of colored slides.

The secretary was asked to consult with Professor Kittleson about having the 4-H Garden champions attend the 4-H State Conference next spring.

The secretary was instructed to write the Board about these plans.

R. S. Mackintosh
Secretary.

University Farm, St. Paul, Minnesota
December 2, 1940

Adjourned Meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society

The meeting of the society was called to order at 10:40 A.M. in the office of the society by R.S. Mackintosh.

The minutes of the meeting held in the office November 6, 1940, and the adjourned meeting held in the Saint Paul Hotel, November 13,1940, were read. ~~and approved.~~

A quorum not being present Louis Sando moved that the meeting be adjourned to 11:30 A.M. January 23, 1941. Motion seconded by Joseph Ball. Motion carried.

No further business appearing the meeting adjourned.

R.S. Mackintosh
Chairman.

Executive Board Meeting, Horticulture Bldg.
St. Paul, Minnesota, January 23, 1941

Meeting of Executive Board at 1:15 o'clock.

Meeting called to order by President Fischer.

Members Present: L. R. Fischer, F. H. Sargent, Mrs. Frederick Atwood, H. Leidell, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, R. S. Mackintosh, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, B. F. Dunn, Mrs. W. R. Wingate, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Miss Minnie Urban, F. D. Turner, F. C. Schletty.

Mrs. J. A. Dougherty, chairman of committee on life memberships presented the names of Dean W. C. Coffey and Hon. Burton L. Kingsley for Honorary Life Members. On motion it was voted to recommend that these names be presented to the society this afternoon for election.

Mr. Dunn suggested that a new certificate of merit be prepared which would be used to recognize special horticultural achievements.

Meeting adjourned.

R. S. Mackintosh
Secretary.

Executive Board Meeting
Coffman Memorial Union, Minneapolis
University of Minnesota
January 23, 1941

Dear Executive Board Members:

At the last meeting of the Executive Board held January 23, 1941, the following items were considered:

1. Awarded a Society Bronze Medal to Louis Sando for his long and faithful service to the society. Mr. Sando retires on July 1, 1941, from the Division of Horticulture, University of Minnesota.

2. A written statement to accompany each medal stating why it was awarded.

3. A new certificate of Merit award was authorized and the Committee on Medals and Special Awards to approve the form and wording.

4. A certificate of Merit was awarded Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson for leading in organizing the Eighth Congressional District group so successfully.

5. President Fischer outlined some of the work carried on during the year. He asked the members to contact members of the Legislature regarding our request for an appropriation of $6500 a year.

6. Mrs. Taylor reported that there were 285 entries in the State Garden Flower Show at the State Fair in 1940.

7. The Secretary reported that several exhibit tables were damaged at the last shows. It was voted that a deposit of two dollars be required of the societies using the tables and that it be refunded if the equipment is returned in good condition.

8. Professor T.A. Erickson, former State 4-H Club Leader, was present and Mr. Fischer presented him with a Society Bronze Medal. "Dad" Erickson thanked the Society for its hearty cooperation through the years in providing prizes and trips for the various garden club members. Mr. Dunn expressed appreciation of the assistance Professor Erickson had given in helping organize the 4-H Fruit Projects.

9. President Fischer thanked Professor Alderman for the thousands of plants and trees supplied for membership premiums.

10. The question of who should pay for engraving the three cups offered by Mr. Carpenter in 1939 was thoroughly discussed. It was finally decided that if Mr. Carpenter wished his name to appear alone as the giver of the Carpenter cups, he should stand the expense of the engraving on the trophy. If the name of the society appear alone, the society should pay for the engraving. If both Mr. Carpenter's name and the name of the society are given then the expense should be divided 50-50.

11. Mr. Dunn called attention to the affiliation fee as not being sufficient to pay for the magazines and membership premiums.

12. The secretary reported that the Rochester Garden and Flower Club had invited the society to hold its 75th Annual Meeting in Rochester and that a telegram had just been received from the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Associations inviting the society to meet in Minneapolis, Action deferred to a meeting to be held after the Legislature has adjourned.

(Minutes as written by Mr. Mackintosh, Secretary)

Executive Board Meeting
Coffman Memorial Union, Minneapolis
University of Minnesota
January 23, 1941

Meeting called to order at 7:50 P.M. By President Fischer.

Members Present: L.R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, R.S. Mackintosh, W.H. Alderman, Mrs. V.E. Nicholson, Mrs. William Whiteford, Mrs. J.S. Taylor, Mrs. W.R. Wingate, Mrs. Frederick Atwood, Miss Minnie Urban, Mrs. J.M. Sellwood, Henry Leidell, P.H. Claydon, Forrest Sargent.

The minutes of the meeting at Rochester were read by the secretary and approved as read.

Mr. Mackintosh read the rules regarding the awarding of medals. Mr. Alderman made a motion that Mr. Sando be given a bronze medal for his long and faithful service to the society. Motion carried. It was voted that a written statement explaining why the award was given, should accompany the medal.

A certificate of Merit award was authorized. A motion was made by Mrs. Nicholson that the form and wording of these certificates be left to the Committee on Medals and Special Awards. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Sellwood made a motion that Mrs. Nicholson should be given a Certificate of Merit for her work in organizing garden clubs in Northeastern Minnesota. **Seconded and carried.**

President Fischer outlined some of the work carried on during the year. He asked the members to contact members of the Legislature regarding our request for an appropriation of $6500 a year.

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President Fischer thanked Professor Alderman for the thousands of plants and trees supplied for membership premiums.

Mr. Dunn suggested that the members give some thought to raising the affiliation fee of 35 cents for each member. The large increase in annual membership through affiliated clubs and the decrease in dollar membership is making an added burden on the society, as the affiliation fee is not sufficient to pay for the magazine and membership premiums.

The secretary read an invitation extended by the Rochester Garden and Flower Club to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its 75th Annual Meeting in Rochester, and he reported that a telegram had just been received from the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association inviting the society to meet in Minneapolis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Nicholson to table until the next meeting the question of deciding where the annual meeting should be held. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Fischer summarized some of the work of the society since the last meeting: The organization of the districts. The speakers committee completed a list of speakers and this list was sent to all the presidents of the affiliated clubs. A new set of slides had been prepared and a new projector purchased, so there are now two sets to loan to affiliated clubs. The number of magazines was reduced from 12 to 9 because of limited funds. Members of the society have been asked to write and contact members of the legislature to secure their support in returning our appropriation to its original figure of $6500. Poison bait has been handled by the society at a small profit.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

(Minutes as written by Miss Tracy, Clerk)

Executive Board Meeting
Davidson's Cafeteria, St. Paul
May 15, 1941

Meeting called to order by President Fischer at 7:45 P.M.

Members present: L. R. Fischer, B. F. Dunn, W. H. Alderman, L. V. Jordan, F. C. Schletty, R. C. Schneider, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, T. E. Carpenter, Helen Fischer, who represented the Minnesota Garden Flower Society, J. D. Winter, who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers, and Miss Minnie Urban.

Minutes of the meeting, which was held at the Coffman Memorial Union, University of Minnesota Campus on January 23, were read by the clerk.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that paragraph 12 be corrected as follows: that the question of deciding where the next annual meeting should be held should be tabled until the next meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that paragraph ten, refering to the engraving of trophies, be stricken from the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Schletty. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the minutes as corrected be approved. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that a committee on reorganization be appointed to investigate the affairs of the society and report at the next meeting. Mr. Winter seconded the motion. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved to take from the table the question of deciding the place of the next annual meeting. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Schletty moved that the society accept the invitation by the Civic and Commerce Association of Minneapolis to have the next annual meeting in Minneapolis. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved to refer to the Committee on Reorganization the question of dispensing with the annual show and of considering the question of holding the annual meeting in conjunction with Farm and Home Week. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Alderman and Mr. Schletty were elected members of the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to invest up to $5000 in Defense Saving Bonds. Motion seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the salary of Miss Tracy be raised from $75.00 to $80.00 a month. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved to pay Miss Tracy $25.00 from the society funds for special work. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the necessary copies of the magazine for our library be bound, and that others desiring bound copies must pay for their own. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that an educational exhibit to illustrate the new law on apple grading be staged at the State Fair, and that the Minnesota Fruit Growers be invited to foster this proposal and if they do not wish to do it the society take it up themselves. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Alderman explained the new berry box law and the difficulties which would arise if it was enforced at this season. It was voted that the society voice a protest against the enactment of this law for this season over the president's signature.

Mr. Alderman recommended that the society pay the ten dollar fee required of the representative who attended the Fruit Committee - if this bill was presented by Mr. Pabst. Mr. Carpenter moved that Mr. Alderman's recommendation be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that a note of sympathy be extended to Mr. Mackintosh and that Miss Tracy convey this message to him. Motion seconded. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. E. W. Gould for her contributions of Garden Helps during her 29 years of faithful service to the society. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the society continue the service of having the clerk record the entries at the flower shows. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the material for the "pink folder" be brought up to date and that this should be published before State Fair time. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that Mr. Mackintosh's salary be continued at the usual rate without interruption and that the executive board make provision for reimbursing Mr. Mackintosh for the 15 days salary which was used to help pay the temporary help. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the Executive Committee determine when and where the next annual meeting should be called. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion was made to adjourn. Motion carried.

Executive Board Meeting
Davidson's Cafeteria, St. Paul
May 15, 1941

Meeting called to order by President Fischer at 7:45 P.M.

Members present: L.R. Fischer, B.F. Dunn, W.H. Alderman, L.V. Jordan, F.C. Schletty, R.C. Schneider, Mrs. Whiteford, Mrs. J.S. Taylor, Mrs. V.E. Nicholson, T.E. Carpenter, Helen Fischer (Proxy), Minnie Urban, and J.D. Winter (Proxy).

The secretary being absent Miss Ruth Tracy acted as clerk.

Minutes of the meeting held January 23, at the Coffman Memorial Union were read.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the question of where the next annual meeting was to be held should have been recorded as "laid on the table" instead of "deferred." Correction approved.

Mr. Carpenter moved that reference to engraving cups be stricken from the minutes. Motion carried.

After these corrections were made the minutes were approved.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted that the President appoint a committee on reorganization and for it to report at the next meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Nicholson it was voted to take from the table the question of the place of holding the next annual meeting.

Mr. Schletty moved that the invitation of the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association to meet in Minneapolis be accepted. Motion carried.

On motion it was voted to ask the committee on reorganization to consider the question of holding the annual meeting during Farm and Home Week after this year.

On motion it was voted that W.H. Alderman and F.C. Schletty be elected members of the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the Executive Committee invest up to $5000 in United States Defense Saving Bonds. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted to raise the salary of Miss Ruth Tracy from $75.00 to $80.00 a month.

On motion of Mr. Dunn it was voted to pay Miss Ruth Tracy $25.00 from the society funds for special work.

On motion it was voted to bind the necessary number of copies of the 1939-40 magazines needed by the society, and others desiring copies pay for them themselves.

On motion it was voted to ask the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association to stage an educational exhibit to illustrate the new apple grading law at the State Fair.

Professor Alderman explained the recent ruling of the Federal Food and Drug Administration regarding the use of the "raised bottom" berry box. On motion it was voted that the president send a protest to the administration for putting the rule into effect this season. (Various protests were sent in and enforcement of the ruling was suspended for this season. Secretary. See May issue of the Minnesota Horticulturist.)

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted to pay the ten dollar enrollment fee for attendance of Mr. Pabst at the National Apple Institute at Washington, D.C., if a bill is presented.

On motion of Mr. Dunn it was voted that a note of sympathy be extended to Mr. Mackintosh on account of his illness and that Miss Tracy convey the message to him.

On motion it was voted to thank Mrs. E.W. Gould for her contributions of Garden Helps during the 29 years she served so faithfully. (See page 105 of Minnesota Horticulturist, June 1941.)

Mr. Carpenter moved that the society continue the service of providing a clerk at the various flower shows. Motion carried.

On motion it was voted to print a revised edition of the "Pink Folder" before the State Fair time.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted that Mr. Mackintosh's salary be continued at the usual rate without interruption and that he be reimbursed for the two weeks salary used to pay temporary help.

On motion it was voted that the Executive Committee determine when and where the next meeting be held.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Executive Board Meeting, November 11, 1941
Room 118, Hotel Radisson, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 7:40 by President Fischer.

Members Present: Louis R. Fischer, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Henry Leidel, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, T. E. Carpenter, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. August Neubauer, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Vincent K. Bailey, Mrs. Frederick Atwood, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. J. S. Talor, R. C. Schneider, R. S. Mackintosh.

President Fischer invited Miss Rasmussen to be a guest of the Board.

Minutes of the meeting held May 15, at Davidson's Cafeteria, Saint Paul were read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Mackintosh stated that his report as treasurer was published in the October issue of the Minnesota Horticulturist, page 154, and on motion of Professor Alderman it was approved.

Professor Alderman, Chairman of the Committee on Organization Policy, reported as follows:

1. That careful consideration be given to the question of using a cheaper grade of paper in the magazine, increasing the number of pages to 24, eliminating the present cover, and if possible to issue eleven magazines instead of nine during a year.

2. That consideration be given to discontinuing the free premiums after the distribution in the spring of 1942, and to substitute a plan whereby the members share in the cost of plants provided for trial purposes.

3. Continue the present type of annual meetings and exhibits providing financial assistance is obtained to supplement Society funds.

4. That it is highly desirable that closer contact be provided with the district organizations and affiliated societies, and to provide some financial aid to district meetings.

5. That an assistant secretary be employed to assist the secretary in contacting affiliated clubs, selling advertising, in promoting the work of the society.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted that the distribution of free plant premiums be discontinued in the spring of 1942 and that changes in the magazine be made when the present contract expires.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that the new executive board provide for a committee to study the financial problems to determine whether an assistant secretary can be employed. Motion carried.

Mr. Carpenter moved that the present type of Annual Meetings be continued. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that financial aid be provided for the district organizations. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter it was voted that the hours for voting be as follows: Wednesday 12:30-2:00P.M., 5:30-6:30P.M., and 30 minutes after the close of the banquet. On Thursday from 12:00 to 2:00P.M. Motion carried.

On motion of Mrs. Whiteford the Board adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Executive Board Meeting, November 13, 1941
Room 118, Hotel Radisson, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Dunn.

Members Present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Dr. F. J. Heck, Henry Leidel, R. S. Mackintosh, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Rudolph Schneider, Louis R. Fischer, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Vincent K. Bailey, Mrs. R. A. Brown, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Mrs. W. R. Wingate, Miss Minnie Urban, F. C. Schletty, E. A. Jensen, and R. S. Wilcox represented the Rose Society.

Miss Merle Rasmussen was a guest.

The officers elected for 1942 by the society are as follows:
President, Benjamin F. Dunn, 1115 8th Avenue S. E., Rochester
Vice President, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Route 2, Box 43, Duluth
Members of the Executive Board for three year terms: F. C. Schletty, and E. A. Jensen.

On motion of Mrs. Whiteford it was voted to elect R. S. Mackintosh, Secretary-Treasurer for the two year term starting January 1, 1942.

Mr. Schletty moved that the society allow Mr. Mackintosh five cents a mile for use of his automobile on society business. Motion carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that Mr. Mackintosh's salary be $1800. a year. Motion carried.

Mrs. Whiteford and W. H. Alderman were elected members of the auditing committee.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that if sufficient funds are available that the 4-H Garden Club aid be continued. Motion carried.

Mrs. Wingate moved that the executive committee decide where the next annual meeting should be held. Motion carried.

On motion it was voted that the executive committee consist of the President, Vice President and Secretary, with two alternates, Professor Alderman and Louis R. Fischer to serve with the secretary in emergency cases when the President and Vice President are unable to attend.

Mr. Wilcox moved that a Policy Committee be appointed. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Fischer it was voted to bind 50 copies of the 1939 and 1940 magazines and that the Board members may purchase copies at cost and others at $1.25 each.

Professor Alderman moved that the secretary use his discretion in selling the old reports now stored in the attics of the Administration and Horticulture buildings at University Farm. Motion carried.

On motion of Mrs. Nicholson the Board adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President.

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Secretary.

Executive Board Meeting, June 17, 1942
Agriculture Cafeteria, University Farm

Meeting called to order at 7:15 P.M. by President Dunn.

Members Present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, F. C. Schletty, E. A. Jensen, P. H. Claydon, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, R. C. Schneider, V. K. Bailey, R. S. Bryant, and Minnie Urban. R. S. Wilcox represented the Minnesota Rose Society, J. D. Winter represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers, and Stanley Graves represented the Minnesota Greenkeepers. Louis Sando, Assistant Secretary and Dr. A. N. Wilcox, Chairman of the Sub-Editorial Committee were also present.

Mimeographed copies of the two meetings held November 11, and November 13, 1941 were handed to each Board member. Mrs. Nicholson moved that the minutes as written be accepted. Mr. Alderman seconded this motion. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that 25 copies of each of the annual reports be saved for the use of the Society, and all of the other old reports, now stored in the attics of the Administration and Horticulture buildings, be sold. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Alderman, Chairman of the Policy Committee, reported that the work of the committee had been very closely tied up with that of the other committees, but since the last Board Meeting at least one meeting of the Policy Committee had been held. At this meeting two decisions had been reached: the first was to reaffirm the position taken by the first committee as to the grade of paper and cover to be used, and the size and number of issues to be printed; the second was a suggestion from Mr. Aamodt, a member of this committee, that the Executive Board authorize and conduct a ballot through the MINNESOTA HORTICULTURIST to determine the attitude of the members regarding the plan to modify the present plan of distributing free plant premiums to one in which the member would defray a part of the cost. The board could then take cognizance of this referendum.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the question of premiums be reconsidered. Motion seconded. Carried.

After a discussion of the advisability of having a referendum on the question of discontinuing premiums, it was agreed that the Executive Board should take the responsibility of making the decision regarding premiums.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the State Horticultural Society discontinue free plant premiums, but substitute a list of new plant materials at a charge of 25 cents to help cover cost of postage and packing. Mr. Schletty seconded this motion. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that we start this new "deal" (premium plan) with the spring of 1943. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Motion carried.

Mrs. Taylor moved that the Executive Board leave to Mr. Alderman and Mr. Sando the selection of the list of plants to be offered. Mrs. Whiteford seconded this motion. Carried.

R. S. Wilcox, Chairman of the Editorial Committee reported the work of his committee and called upon the Chairman of the Sub-Editorial Committee to explain some of their plans for the magazine. The following are some of the changes outlined by Dr. A. N. Wilcox.

The Committee had decided to use a cheaper grade of paper and eliminate the heavy enamel stock cover, and to have a 16 page magazine with self cover.

The successful bid for the new contract was received from the North Central Publishing Company. The conditions of the new contract would enable eleven issues, if desired, to be printed at the same cost as nine former issues.

The list of Auxiliary Societies would be suspended as a monthly feature, and be published only once during the current year.

Each issue should contain at least three feature articles; one on ornamentals, one on fruits, and one on vegetables. Each article not to occupy more than two pages and should be well illustrated whenever possible.

Some of the specialized societies had expressed a desire for their columns to appear only three or four times a year instead of in each issue, and it was thought that occasional topical articles could be solicited from these societies.

It was decided that the Question and Answer department continue as is, but that it seemed desirable that the answers be segregated and carried under definite subheadings; such as, fruits, vegetables, etc.

Mr. Winter stated that the Sub-Committee on Advertising had agreed to try out the new printers on the advertising being handled as at present by the publishers, but felt that it could eventually be handled better in the secretary's office.

Mr. Schletty moved that the society hold its Annual Meeting in conjunction with Farm and Home Week at University Farm, and share any necessary expenses. Motion seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Schletty moved that the Society's booth at the State Fair be discontinued. Motion seconded and carried.

The president introduced the matter of an increase in salary for Miss Tracy. Mr. Schletty moved that Miss Tracy's salary be increased to $90.00 per month.

President Dunn brought up a suggestion from Mr. George Nelson regarding sugar allowance for canning. The Assistant Secretary suggested that Mr. Winter be asked to help in framing a letter to the proper authorities. Professor Alderman said a good deal of work had already been done, that Ohio and Michigan have both taken action on this matter, and he agreed that the Society send a letter to Mr. Leon Henderson regarding a modification of the original order. Louis Sando stated that the last newspaper report gave the information that some modification has been made. It was moved, seconded and carried that a letter be sent as suggested.

(Note: Mr. J. D. Winter has been seen relative to the letter regarding sugar allowance for canning. His opinion was that every thing possible had already been done and there now appeared to be no reason to go further into the matter.)

President Dunn asked for recommendations for an award of merit for any person or persons whom it was thought merited this recognition by the Society. The President stated that the names of those who had performed notable work in any branch of horticulture should be given to the committee of awards.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President

Executive Board Meeting, January 20, 1943
Medical Arts Building, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 8:10 by President Dunn.

Members Present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, Louis R. Fischer, E. A. Jensen, P. H. Claydon, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, R. C. Schneider, George Johnston, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Henry Leidel, R. S. Bryant, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. C. A. Carlson, Louis Sando.

Others Present: Dr. A. N. Wilcox, W. Hanson, and George Nelson

Mimeographed copies of the last Board Meeting held June 17, 1942 were handed to each Board member. It was moved that these minutes be accepted as written. Motion carried.

Mr. Sando read an invitation extended by the Northwestern National Bank and Trust Company to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its annual flower show in the lobby of their bank. Mrs. Nicholson suggested that this question be tabled until the next meeting. Motion carried.

The Assistant Secretary read a letter from the American Pomological Society, which asked that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society support their organization by taking out an affiliated membership at the rate of $25.00 per year. Mr. Alderman explained briefly the merits of this organization. Mrs. Brown moved that the letter be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Mr. Leidel. Motion carried.

Mr. Sando read a letter from the Secretary of the Ninth District Horticultural Society. This organization requested that our State Society grant them financial assistance amounting to fifty dollars per year to be used in defraying the cost of conducting two annual meetings and shows. The money to be expended for prizes and awards, postage, mimeograph materials, printing and judging expenses. Mrs. Nicholson and Mr. Fischer explained the previous actions taken by the Board regarding similar requests and for what purposes this financial aid was to be used. Mrs. Nicholson moved that a letter be sent to each district president advising them of the fact that up to $50.00 is available to each organized district for a speaker. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried. Mr. Alderman suggested that this letter should include a statement explaining that this money could be used only for a speaker, and must be paid direct to the speaker through our State office.

As the Legislative Committee was asked to meet with the House Appropriations Committee at the State Capitol on Thursday morning, January 21, Mr. Alderman explained some of the items listed in the Society's Biennial Budget and why certain increases in appropriations were asked for these particular items.

Dr. Wilcox, acting editor listed some of the changes which had been made in the recent issues of the Horticulturist, and indicated how the material selected for the ensuing numbers would be a direct help to our Victory Garden readers, informing them at the proper time of the best methods of planting, growing and utilizing their vegetables and fruits, and how these more timely articles should make the magazine a better advertising medium.

Mr. Claydon, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee reported that his committee recommended that the basis for Honorary Awards should be as follows:

BASIS OF HONORARY AWARDS

Honorary Life Membership:

It is recommended that in the future this award be considered the highest recognition awarded by the Horticultural Society.

Eligibility for this award should be based on outstanding service in the field of horticulture over an extended period. Membership in the Horticultural Society is not necessarily a prerequisite.

Bronze Medal:

To be awarded for an outstanding contribution to horticulture. The awarding of this honor is not necessarily to be conditioned by the element of time. Membership in the Horticultural Society is not a prerequisite.

Certificate of Merit:

This certificate is to be awarded to members of the Society only for distinctive service in promotion of, or performance in, or development of some specialized phase of horticulture.

The Committee further recommended: that not more than two Honorary Life Memberships be awarded in any one year, that not more than two Bronze medals be awarded in any one year, that the number of Certificates of Merit to be presented each year be left to the discretion of the Awards Committee, and that the Awards Committee should be empowered to prepare a statement of the reasons for each award and that such statement of the reasons for each award and that such statement accompany each award presented.

Mr. Claydon further explained that his committee thought that it was highly desirable that the names of all persons recommended for awards, in addition to those whose names are finally approved by the executive board be preserved in a file for guidance of future committees. It was also suggested that the chairmanship be a continuing office so that one member of such committee would be thoroughly conversant with the declared policy governing awards, also with previous recommendations and reasons given for such recommendation whether receiving an honor or not.

The list of those recommended for awards, and a statement of the reasons for each award is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

It was moved and seconded that the Basis of Awards and recommendations regarding these be accepted as outlined by the Awards Committee.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that J. K. Andrews and Dr. L. E. Longley be given Honorary Life Memberships. Seconded by Mrs. Brown. Motion carried.

Mrs. Taylor moved that Frank Skinner and T. L. Aamodt be given Bronze Medals. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Motion carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that all others recommended by the Committee be given Certificates of Merit. This motion was seconded by Mr. Jenson. Carried.

The others refered to in Mrs. Whitefords motion were as follows: Ben Picka, D. T. Grussendorf, R. S. Wilcox, W. R. Leslie, Henry Leidel, and H. L. Parten.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that Mr. Mackintosh be retained in an advisory capacity at a salary reduced to $50.00 per month, for the remainder of the calender year. Seconded by Mrs. Brown. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 P. M.

Benjamin F. Drum
President

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List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award.

J. K. Andrews, Nurseryman, Faribault, for his many contributions to the State and the Society over a long period of time.

Dr. L. E. Longley for his fine work in breeding hardy chrysanthemums and their culture in Minnesota.

Frank Skinner, Dropmore, Manitoba, Canada, for his outstanding service to Horticulture in the Northwest as a plant breeder. He has introduced many new and improved plants among them the "Maxwill" lily, a variety acclaimed both in this and foreign countries to be one of the most desirable of all lily introductions.

T. L. Aamodt for his outstanding work in organizing garden clubs throughout the state.

D. T. Grussendorf, Duluth, for his work in promoting berry culture in the north, and for promoting organized marketing and distribution of small fruits.

Ben Bicka, Hollandale, for his work in the promotion and culture of new varieties among vegetable growers in the southern part of Minnesota.

R. S. Wilcox, St. Paul, Chairman of Rose Test Committee, for his work in developing greater interest in Rose growing in Minnesota.

W. R. Leslie, Superintendent of Dominion Experimental Farm, Morden, Manitoba, Canada, for his work in promoting horticulture and development of hardy plants for the north.

Henry Leidel, LaCrescent, for his leadership in developing interest in better fruit culture in Minnesota, and for promoting organized marketing and distribution of fruits.

H. L. Parten, extension entomologist, University Farm, for his achievements in prosecuting ways and means to control insect pests injurious to outdoor crops and greenhouse material.

Room 102, Horticultural Building
University Farm, St. Paul
January 21, 1943

Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society

Meeting called to order at 11:15 A.M. by President Benjamin F.Dunn.

The following were nominated to fill expiring terms of officers and members of the Executive Board.

President: Benjamin F. Dunn, Rochester
Vice President: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Duluth
Members of the Executive Board, two to be elected for three year terms:
Mrs. William Whiteford, Minneapolis
Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Minneapolis.

Mrs. J.J. McCann and William Alf were appointed tellers for the balloting, which would be held in the Horticultural Society Office, Room 10, Horticultural Building, from 12:00 to 2:00 P.M. and 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. on Thursday and from 12:00 to 1:00 P.M. on Friday.

Mrs. Nicholson gave a report on the visit made that morning (January 21, 1943) by members of the Legislative Committee to the House Appropriations Committee at the State Capitol.

Upsher Smith, president of the Minneapolis Mens Garden Club, made a motion that the following resolution be adopted by the State Horticultural Society:

At the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, January 21, 1943, the motion was made whereas the Minnesota State Horticultural Society has gone on record in concentrating its efforts on the increase of vegetable gardens for the duration of the war.

Therefore be it resolved that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society goes on record in urging everyone of its 7,000 members to grow as much vegetable and fruit crops as possible and take steps to can, preserve, or dry such part of the crop as may be possible.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Wolford. Resolution carried.

Dr. Wilcox outlined the program of material planned for the Minnesota HORTICULTURIST for the year 1943. He stated that food production would be the leading theme.

Meeting adjourned.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President

Executive Board Meeting, January 22, 1943
Medical Arts Building, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 8:15 P.M. by President Dunn.

Members Present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, Louis R. Fischer, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Mrs. C. A. Carlson, Mrs. C. B. Straves, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. M. L. Richardson, Mrs. J. J. McCann, R. C. Schneider, C. A. Mathes, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Louis Sando, and J. D. Winter who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers.

Others Present: Dr. A. N. Wilcox, Mrs. T. N. Samuelson

Minutes of the Board Meeting Held January 20, 1943, were read by the clerk.

Mr. Dunn recommended that the following procedure be adopted in appointing the Awards Committee, so that the chairmanship would be a continuing office as suggested by the Awards Committee in their report at the Board Meeting on January 20.

The Committee on Awards to be composed of two groups of members: (1) The Chairman group composed of three appointed originally for one year, two years, and three years. The retiring member to be chairman for that year. Succeeding members of this group to be appointed for three years. Vacancy to be filled by the Executive Committee. (2) The second group may be as large as the President may desire and will serve for the presidental year.

Mr. Alderman moved the approval of the plan for appointing the Committee on Awards. Motion seconded. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson requested that the minutes be corrected to read "moved" instead of "suggested" that the question regarding the place of holding the next annual meeting be laid on the table until the next meeting.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the minutes as amended be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the question regarding membership in the Society as a prerequisite for the Basis of Awarding the Certificate of Merit should be open for discussion. Seconded. Carried. It was moved that the Certificate of Merit should not be limited to members of the Society. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Motion carried.

Mr. Sando read the following resolution presented by Mr. Upshur Smith at the Annual Meeting, January 21, 1943.

At the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, January 21, 1943, the motion was made, whereas the Minnesota State Horticultural Society has gone on record in concentrating its efforts on the increase of vegetable gardens for the duration of the war.

Therefore be it resolved that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society goes on record in urging everyone of its 7,000 members to grow as much vegetable and fruit crops as possible and take steps to can, preserve, or dry such part of the crop as may be possible.

Resolution carried.

Resolution was approved by the Executive Board.

Mrs. Nicholson gave a review of the meeting with the House Appropriations Committee which had been held at 9:30 Thursday morning, January 21. Mr. Alderman suggested that it would be a good scheme to write to each affiliated Garden Club asking them as a club and as individuals to write to their senators and representatives asking for their support of our appropriation request.

It was stated that our Executive Committee should be composed of the President, Vice President, Acting Secretary, and two alternates.

Mrs. Whiteford made a motion that Mr. Alderman and Mr. Fischer serve as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Mathes. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Dr. A. N. Wilcox be engaged as acting editor of the Minnesota Horticulturist at a salary not to exceed $75.00 per issue. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

It was stated that the advertising could be correlated with the editorial matter.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the salary of Miss Tracy be increased to $100.00 per month retroactive as of January 1, 1943. Seconded by Mrs. Straus. Carried.

A motion was made to appoint Mr. Louis Sando as acting secretary and treasurer empowered to act in all matters pertaining to the responsibilities and duties of the office of secretary and treasurer. Seconded and Carried.

Mr. Mathes made a motion to pay the Acting Secretary $5.00 per day. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the question regarding the place and time of the next annual meeting be taken from the table. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that the determination of the date and place of the next annual meeting be left to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Mathes. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that a committee be appointed to study the problems of affiliated membership. Seconded by Mr. Mathes. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Dr. Wilcox be asked to sit in on the Executive Board as an Honorary Member. Motion seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President

Executive Committee Meeting
Seminar Room, Horticulture Building
January 23, 1943

Members present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V.E. Nicholson, W.H. Alderman, and Louis Sando.

Mrs. Nicholson and T.L. Aamodt were appointed to draft a letter to be sent to all affiliated garden clubs in order to call to the attention of all members the importance of forwarding letters at once to their senators and representatives regarding the Horticultural Society budget for the next biennium.

Mr. Sando reported that garden clubs and individual members were sending in checks for small amounts both for memberships and premiums. The Committee decided that such checks on banks be returned if the bank was not on the accredited list of banks associated with the Federal Reserve Banks. A notice should be printed in the Minnesota Horticulturist stating that if more convenient to send a check rather than coin or postal order, ten cents must be added to cover cost of exchange.

The Committee decided that a new pink folder should be printed, and endeavor to sell advertising space to nurserymen, seedsmen and dealers in horticultural supplies. Any advertiser to be given copies in proportion to the amount paid for advertisement. (It was later decided not to issue a new pink folder during 1943).

The Executive Committee decided that President Dunn should draft a letter, explaining to Mr. Mackintosh the action taken at the Executive Board Meeting, January 20, 1943, with regard to his being retained in an advisory capacity at a salary reduced to $50.00 per month for the remainder of the calender year. (The letter was written and mailed to Mr. Mackintosh January 23, 1943.)

Mr. Sando, Mr. Alderman, and Dr. A.N. Wilcox were appointed to act as a committee in securing new certificates for the following awards: Honorary Life Membership, Life Membership and Award of Merit.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President

Executive Board Meeting, June 14, 1943
The Frederic Hotel, Saint Paul, Minn.

Meeting called to order at 7:45 P.M. by President Dunn.

Members present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Louis R. Fischer, P. H. Claydon, E. A. Jensen, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, F. C. Schletty, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, George Johnston, O. A. Bandelin, A. J. Mandehr, Fred W. Topel, A. N. Wilcox, and Louis Sando, R. S. Wilcox, who represented the Minnesota Rose Society, and J. D. Winter, who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held January 22, 1943, were read by the clerk. These minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Sando read a letter received from C. R. Ure, the Secretary of the Manitoba Horticultural Association. Mr. Ure on behalf of their Association expressed appreciation for the recognition our Society had given for the work of two of their members; namely, Mr. F. L. Skinner and Mr. W. R. Leslie. Similar letters of appreciation, received from Mr. Skinner and Mr. Leslie, were read by Mr. Sando.

Mr. Fischer moved that the distribution of plant premiums be continued through the spring of 1944 on the same basis as was used this year. Motion seconded by Mr. Mandehr. Carried.

Mr. Schletty moved that credit for a 1944 premium should be given to those members who complained that their 1943 premium was received in such poor condition that it could not live. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford.

Mrs. Taylor moved that the 25 cent fee be refunded in the best possible way to those members whose premium choice was exhausted when their request was received, and who failed to indicate another available choice. Seconded by Mr. Claydon. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunn opened for discussion the question of when and where the next annual meeting should be held.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the next annual meeting be held this fall. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor. This motion was amended by Mr. Claydon to read, the next annual meeting and show be held during the last half of October or the first half of November. Seconded by Mr. Bandelin. Mr. Fischer moved to amend the motion to include that it be held in the Twin Cities. Seconded. The motion as amended was approved.

Mr. Dunn appointed Mr. Johnston and Mr. Mandehr as a finance committee to obtain money for the Annual Show.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the State Horticultural Society due to its financial condition at the present time cannot purchase Victory Bonds. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Sando read the letters which had been received and sent regarding the Peter Gideon Memorial at Excelsior. Among these was a letter from E. C. Gale, Attorney at Law, Minneapolis, which stated that the Peter Gideon plot of land on which stands the monument to Peter Gideon at Lake Minnetonka had been forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes. J. D. Murphy, Land Commissioner, stated in his letter

that Mr. Alexander, Chairman of the County Board, had made application for the acquisition of this property in behalf of Hennepin County. The property to be maintained for a Memorial Park.

R. S. Wilcox moved that our secretary ask Mr. Alexander, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, the intention of the Board in regard to the Peter Gideon plot of land and if they propose to maintain it as the Gideon Memorial Park and if so that the Board adopt and present to the State Horticultural Society a resolution to that effect, so that it can be kept on record by the State Horticultural Society. Motion seconded and carried.

The question regarding the number of members affiliated with the State Horticultural Society that a state wide organization must have in order to be entitled to a representative on the Executive Board was discussed.

Mr. Schletty moved that a committee be appointed to settle this matter. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor. Mr. Mandehr moved that this question be opened for reconsideration. Seconded by Mr. Winter. R. S. Wilcox proposed an amendment to paragraph "C" of Section 2 of the Constitution providing that a state-wide affiliated organization must have 50 affiliated members in the organization before it is entitled to a representative on the Executive Board of the Society. Seconded by Mr. Mandehr. The vote on this motion resulted in a tie of 7 to 7. Mrs. Nicholson moved that this motion be amended to read 25 affiliated members. The motion as amended was seconded by Mr. Fischer and adopted by an 8 to 4 vote.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the Society accept those organized school groups desiring affiliation with the State Horticultural Society. Motion seconded. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that all persons who have paid for bound volumes of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" receive them at the previous quoted price. Seconded. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that all others pay the cost price. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that bound volumes of the magazine be supplied to libraries and other institutions only on an exchange basis. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

Mr. Winter explained the effectiveness of the Dupont Weed Killer containing ammonium sulphonate in eradicating the Poison Ivy plant.

Mr. Dunn on behalf of the Society presented Mrs. Nicholson with the "Award of Merit" Certificate which had been awarded to her at the Executive Board Meeting held January 23, 1941.

At 10:50 P. M. Mr. Winter moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Jensen. Carried.

Benjamin F. Dunn
President

Executive Board Meeting, November 29, 1943
The Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order by President Dunn.

Members present: Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, O. A. Bandelin, Henry Leidel, Louis R. Fischer, A. N. Wilcox, Louis Sando, Ralph W. Bachman, Mrs. Wm. Bally, Mrs. E. L. Everett, who represented the West Mesaba Horticultural Society, Mrs. R. A. Brown who represented the Duluth Garden Flower Society.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 4, 1943, were read by the clerk. These minutes were approved as read.

Mrs. Whiteford, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee, read the following motion that had been made at the Awards Committee Meeting held October 21:

> "Mr. Aamodt moved that the question of the various awards be brought before the Executive Board for rediscussion. The object being to clarify the relative value of the awards and compile and publish a statement to confirm to those persons receiving the medal before the new classification was adopted that the present standard does not in any way affect the value of the awards presented at a previous date."

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the Executive Board reconsider the question of the Basis of Honorary awards. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford stated that her Committee recommended that the following changes be made in the basis of Honorary Awards:

> That the Bronze Medal be awarded for a distinguished service and achievement in the field of Horticulture.
>
> That the Honorary Life Membership no longer be designated as the highest award given by the Society.

Dr. Wilcox moved that the changes in the Basis of Awards as presented by the Awards Committee be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford stated that the Committee further recommended that letters of appreciation be sent to several persons whose names had been mentioned for special services rendered in the Victory Garden campaign but who could not be singled out for any of the usual awards because the breadth of the Victory Garden campaign prevented a proper evaluation of individual efforts at this time.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Letters of Appreciation recommended by the committee be considered and that the Executive Board receive recommendations for Letters of Appreciation along with the other awards. Seconded and carried.

A list of those recommended for awards, and a statement of the reasons for each award is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Bandelin moved that a special plaque appropriately engraved be awarded to Mr. Mackintosh for his long term of service in the society. Motion seconded and carried. A letter informing Mr. Mackintosh that he

would receive a special award in recognition of his long service and deep interest in the society should accompany a plant to be presented to Mr. Mackintosh on Tuesday, November 30, as a personal remembrance from those members of the Executive Board present at this meeting.

Mr. Alderman moved that E. G. E. Reel be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Mr. Leidel. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Dr. F. A. Krantz be awarded the Bronze Medal. Seconded by Dr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mrs. Taylor moved that Mrs. Horace Thompson be given a Certificate of Merit. Seconded by Dr. Wilcox. Carried

Mrs. Taylor moved that Letters of Appreciation be given to Mrs. Willis Swanman, Mrs. A. N. Satterlee, George Johnston, and Mrs. Paul Sotnack. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that the Executive Board approve the hours of voting as listed on the program. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

A Special Award (a plaque) to R. S. Mackintosh in appreciation of long and devoted service to the Society as a member for more than 50 years; as president, and as secretary-treasurer for 24 years.

Honorary Life Membership to E. G. E. Reel of Excelsior, for his achievements in the culture of dessert grapes in Minnesota and for his encouragement of grape improvement.

Bronze Medal to Dr. Fred A. Krantz of the University of Minnesota for the improvement of potato breeding methods and for the development of new varieties.

Award of Merit to Mrs. Horace Thompson of St. Paul for her original and effective work in highway beautification.

Benjamin F. Dunn

President

Executive Board Meeting, Nov. 30, 1943.
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 7:50 P.M.

Members present: Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Dr. A. E. Hutchins, W. H. Alderman, Benjamin F. Dunn, Louis R. Fischer, Frank Siefert, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, E. A. Jensen, O. A. Bandelin, George Johnston, Mrs. Carl B. Straus, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Dr. A. N. Wilcox, Ralph Bachman, Mrs. John Erickson, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Mrs. Wm. Bally, Mrs. Ernest Beyrer, Mrs. E. L. Everett, who represented the West Mesaba Horticultural Society, J. D. Winter, who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers' Association, R. S. Wilcox, who represented the Minnesota Rose Society, and Louis Sando.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held November 29, 1943, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the clerk. They were approved as read.

As the work of the Auditing Committee was not completed the president moved that this report be made to the Executive committee. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

Mr. Sando reported that the property known as the Peter Gideon Memorial Park had reverted to the state because of delinquent taxes, and that this property had been taken over by the Hennepin County Commissioners and was to be retained as a park.

Mr. Alderman moved that the action of the Hennepin County Commissioners in regard to the Gideon Memorial Park as presented by Mr. Sando be inserted in full in the minutes of this meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

In accordance with the foregoing motion the letter received by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society from the Hennepin County Commissioners is hereby attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Dunn moved that letters of appreciation be sent to the Bachman Floral Company, the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association, the Curtis Hotel Management, and the exhibitors. Seconded by Mr. Sando. Motion carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that a generous tip be given for janitor service. Motion carried. $5.00 was suggested as a sufficient amount.

Mr. Fischer moved that flowers be sent to the Leidel funeral and that a card of sympathy to the family be included. Seconded by Mr. Sando. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that an amount not to exceed $10.00 be used for the flowers including telegram. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that Miss Tracy be retained with an increase in salary, the salary to be $115 per month. Seconded by Mr. Winters. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that Dr. Wilcox be retained under the same arrangements as this past year as editor of the magazine. Seconded by Mr. R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. R. S. Wilcox moved that Mr. Sando be asked to serve as acting secretary-treasurer on the present basis until such a time as a permanent secretary-treasurer

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is employed, salary to be the same as the past year. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mr. R. S. Wilcox moved that a committee consisting of the following members,- Louis Fischer, Benjamin Dunn, and Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson be appointed for the purpose of investigating the selection of a part time or full time permanent secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Whiteford seconded this motion. Carried. This motion was amended naming Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson as chairwoman of the committee.

Mr. Fischer moved that the next annual meeting be held during the month of November, 1944. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Motion carried.

Mr. Winter suggested that letters be sent to fruit growers before the annual meeting, preferably in September or before, asking if they could exhibit at the annual meeting, and the decision regarding a show be based somewhat upon the answers received.

Meeting adjourned.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

attach to minutes 11/30/43 Letter read by Hennepin Co. Com

Commissioner Scott offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED By the County Board of Hennepin County, Minnesota, that application be made on behalf of the County of Hennepin to the Commissioner of Taxation of the State of Minnesota, for the conveyance of tax forfeited land to the County of Hennepin for public historical purposes, upon which is located a monument to the memory of Peter Gideon, famed horticulturist, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 511, Laws of 1941, as amended, which land is described as follows:

That part of Lots 23 and 24 lying North of a line commencing at the NW corner of Lot 23, thence E parallel with the S line of Lots 23 and 24 to theEasterly line of Lot 24; Manitou Glen, Town of Excelsior.

AND RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Chairman of the County Board and the County Auditor of the County of Hennepin, be instructed to make application to the Commissioner of Taxation for the transfer of said tax forfeited land to the County of Hennepin, for public historical purposes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That when said land is deeded to the County of Hennepin, that the Hennepin County Historical Society be requested to assume care and maintenance of said land.

The questi n was on the adoption of the resolution, and the roll being called there were four YEAS and no NAYS, as follows:

DICKMAN	Yea
HEFFELFINGER	Yea
JEPPESEN	Absent
SCOTT	Yea
MR. CHAIRMAN	Yea

And so the resolution was adopted.

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) SS

I, Al. P. Erickson, County Auditor of Hennepin County, Minnesota, hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of resolution of the County Board of said County, with the original record thereof in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board at a meeting held May 24, 1943, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original record, and that said resolution was duly adopted by said Board at said meeting.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of May, 1943.

Al. P. Erickson,
County Auditor

By (Signed) N. G. Chapman
Deputy

C O P Y
May 24, 1943

Executive Committee Meeting, Dec.1, 1943
Horticultural Society Office, University Farm.

Members present: Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Dr. A. E. Hutchins, Louis Sando, W. H. Alderman, and Dr. A. N. Wilcox.

Dr. Hutchins moved that the Acting Editor be authorized to open negotiations with the state printer in regard to the transfer of the magazine printing costs from Society funds to State funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Sando. Carried.

A motion was made seconded and carried to set up an item in the Third Quarter Budget to cover the cost of printing Society Folder A .

It was moved that the Executive Committee refer the revision of Society Folder A to the Editorial Committee.

Mr. Sando moved that provision be made in the Third Quarter Budget for additional clerical help, and any extra help required during December be paid for out of State funds. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mr. Sando moved that $25.00 be set up in the budget to pay for help required to make an inventory of all office material in store room and attic.

Meeting Adjourned.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, March 22, 1944
Cafeteria Dining Hall, University Farm.

Meeting called to order at 4:40 P.M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Dr. A. E. Hutchins, Dr. A. N. Wilcox, W. H. Alderman, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, F. C. Schletty, Ralph W. Bachman, Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Rovert W. Jones, Mrs. M. L. Richardson, Henry Leidel, George Nelson, who represented the Minnesota Beekeepers Association, and Louis R. Fischer, a member of the Secretary-Treasurer Committee.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, November 30, 1943, were read by the clerk. They were approved as read.

The following communications were read by the clerk:

First: A letter from Mr. Mackintosh in which he expressed his appreciation to the Board for the Cyclamen and Poinsettia plants which had been presented to him on November 30 and Christmas Eve.

Second: An invitation to the Society from the Northwestern National Bank to use their lobby for our annual exhibition in November, and to furnish the same amount of prize money as they did for the last exhibition.

Third: A letter from the North Central Publishing Company in which they stated the necessity of increasing the printing costs on the "Minnesota Horticulturist." The following new schedule of prices was suggested:

7500 copies - 16 pp self covered	$240.00
100 additional copies	2.00
7500 copies - 24 pp self covered	347.00
100 additional copies	3.00

These prices were based on the use of a 45lb English finish stock.

The question of appointing a permanent member and one or two alternates to the Executive Committee was presented.

A motion was made to table this question until after the report of the Policy Committee. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Alderman reported that the members of the Auditing Committee had examined the Society books during the first week of December and had found the accounts in good shape. The report was verified by Mrs. Whiteford.

Mr. Schletty moved that the report of the Auditing Committee be adopted. Seconded and Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved to reconsider the question regarding the rental on bottles and tables to affiliated societies. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor. Wilcox Carried 2nd Winston

Mr. Alderman moved that we continue this rental as at present. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor.

Dr. Hutchins reported on the purchase and presentation of the plaque awarded to Mr. Mackintosh. The inscription on this plaque reads as follows: Awarded to Roger Sherman Mackintosh by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society in appreciation of devoted and outstanding service to the society for more than fifty years as member, president and secretary-treasurer, November 29th, 1943

Miss Tracy conveyed to the Executive Board words of appreciation from Mr. and Mrs. Mackintosh for the plaque. Mrs. Mackintosh had stated that they both thought the plaque very beautiful. They particularily liked its size, simplicity of design and wording.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that the bill for flowers for Mr. Sando's funeral be allowed and paid from Society funds. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson informed the Executive Board that Mrs. Horace Thompson, who had been elected for a three year term at the annual meeting November 30, 1943, had found it necessary to decline the nomination.

Mr. Schletty moved that R. S. Wilcox be appointed to fill this vacancy on the Executive Board until the next annual election. Seconded by Mrs. Taylor. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Bronze Medals which had been awarded to Mr. Aamodt at the Executive Board Meeting on January 20, 1943, and to Dr. Krantz on November 29, 1943, be presented just before the close of the afternoon program, March 23, 1944. Seconded by Mrs. Richardson. Motion carried.

Dr. Hutchins, Chairman of the Publicity Committee, gave a brief report of what had been done so far to bring the name of the Society before the Public.

At 5:30 P.M. The Chair called a recess for dinner.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M.

Our Acting Editor, Dr. Wilcox, explained more fully the contents of the letter received from the North Central Publishing Company, and stated reasons why he thought the new prices quoted were reasonable and justifiable.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Society accept the new bids made by the North Central Publishing Company. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Executive Board authorize Dr. Hutchins to act as Secretary-Treasurer until such time as a permanent secretary-treasurer is elected. Seconded by Mr. Schletty. Carried.

A report was made by Mrs. Nicholson on the progress made by the committee appointed to investigate the selection of a part-time or full-time permanent Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Dunn read the following recommendations of the Policy Committee:

> The Policy committee recommends that the Executive Board consider the advisability of investigation of retirement provision for the Secretary-Treasurer and that a committee be appointed to take necessary steps and consumate same if possible.
>
> The Policy committee recommends to the Executive Board that they approve of a definite retirement age in the event that that is not set up automatically by retirement insurance.

Mrs. Taylor moved that the recommendations regarding retirement be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Leidel. Carried.

Show Committee Meeting, July 28, 1944
Society Office, University Farm, St. Paul

Meeting called to order by Mr. Weir, Chairman.

Members present: T. S. Weir, Mrs. J. A. Dougherty, Benjamin F. Dunn, and A. E. Hutchins.

Mr. Dunn moved that this Committee recommends to the Executive Committee or the Executive Board that commercial firms be allowed to put in an educational exhibit at the Annual Show. Seconded by Mrs. Dougherty. Motion carried. Ref. to Policy Com.

Mrs. Dougherty moved that the date be omitted from the prize ribbons. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mrs. Dougherty was appointed Chairman of a sub-committee to prepare the premium list for the plant and flower section. Total premiums not to exceed $167.

Mr. Winter was appointed Chairman of a sub-committee to prepare the premium list for the fruit section.

Dr. Hutchins was appointed Chairman of a sub-committee to prepare the premium list for the vegetable section. Total premiums not to exceed $87.50.

Mr. Dunn moved that Mrs. Dougherty's committee decrease the number of professional entries from those of former years and increase the number of amateur entries, and that these committee members use their own discretion in changing the classes. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dougherty moved that Mr. Winter be asked to have an exhibit of packages for frozen food storage. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that up to $60. be appropriated for a Beekeepers exhibit. Mrs. Dougherty seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that a special class be created for two plates of Haralson Apples, open to anyone not exhibiting trays of any variety. The cup to be presented for first place to be won three times before it could be kept, and at least $25. in cash be pro rated for entries, even to ten places if that number of entries are shown. Motion seconded by Mrs. Dougherty. Carried. (Note: This cup and prize money to be furnished by an out-side corporation. It was suggested that the Farmers Cooperative Service be contacted.) Farm Bureau " "

The following change was made in the Exhibit Rules as listed in the 1941 Premium List:

> In paragraph two, Must and 12 o'clock noon to be written in caps.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Executive Board Meeting, September 8, 1944
Curtis Hotel, Minnespolis

Meeting called to order at 8:45 P. M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, A. E. Hutchins, W. H. Alderman, E. A. Jensen, R. S. Wilcox, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Ralph Bachman, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, A. N. Wilcox, Frank Seifert, T. L. Aamodt, Chairman of the Budget Committee, J. D. Winter, who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held March 22, 1944, were read by the Acting Secretary.

Dr. Wilcox moved that the word "carried" be inserted after the third and fourth motion in the minutes of March 22. 1944. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

A motion to accept the minutes as amended was moved, seconded and carried.

In order to report on the work of the committee for selecting a secretary-treasurer, the President relinquished the Chair. Her place was taken by A. E. Hutchins, Vice President. Mr. Hutchins called on Mrs. Nicholson for the report of the Committee for Selecting a Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. Nicholson in her report of the work of this committee stated the qualifications they desired for the position, some of the difficulties they had encountered in finding available persons having these qualifications, and the number of different candidates which had been considered. Then she stated the qualifications of the candidate which they had selected for the position.

Mrs. Nicholson then moved that Eldred Hunt be nominated for the position of Secretary-Treasurer of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried

Mrs. Sellwood moved that a hand be given to the Committee. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried. A hearty applause followed this motion.

The President then resumed the chair.

The Chair called for nominations from the floor. None were made. The Chair moved that the vote for secretary-treasurer be by acclamation. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that Eldred Hunt be elected secretary-treasurer for the balance of the year. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

R. S. Wilcox moved to amend the original motion to include that Mr. Hunt go on the payroll at his earliest convenience. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. The motion as amended was carried.

Mr. Aamodt, Chairman of the Budget Committee, gave a resume of the events and conditions which had led his Committee to feel that it was necessary for the Executive Board to take some definite action regarding the following recommendations:

1. The Budget Committee recommends that the secretary-treasurer be elected at a salary of $3600 per annum as agreed upon by the State Office of Administration; $2000 to be paid from State Appropriations and $1600 to be paid from Society funds with the understanding that some items

now being paid for from Society funds shall be paid from State Appropriations.
Note of explanation: It is felt, after discussion with State Officials, that, in view of this arrangement whereby $1600 of Society funds will be applied to the Secretary-Treasurer's salary, the State Officials will release comparable amounts of State funds.

2. The Budget Committee recommends that the following items be charged to State funds entirely or in such amounts as is necessary: magazine publication costs, $2250; $2000 of Secretary-Treasurer's salary; clerk's salary, $1500; and remuneration of temporary help, $750.

3. The Budget Committee, because of recommendations made by various members of the Society and by the Office of Administration of Finance of Minnesota (see Miss Reber's letter of August 30, 1944), recommends that the question of increasing the membership fees of affiliated members from 35¢ to 50¢ or more be given serious consideration immediately.

4. The Committee recommends that the dues of affiliated members be increased to 50¢ or more and that the charge for premiums be discontinued.

5. The Committee recommends that the question of maintaining the Life Membership fund be discussed. It is questionable in the eyes of many, including the State Office of Administration of Finance (See Miss Reber's letter of August 30, 1944), whether this fund should be maintained in its present form while at the same time deriving no operating expenses from it and making no deductions for life members who have died. The Committee suggests that interest from the fund and the membership fees of new members should go into a fund for new needed office equipment, illustrative material, and similar items.

6. The Committee discussed the question of office space and suggested that the Policy Committee consider the possibility of obtaining the office space now vacated on the ground floor of the southwest corner of the Horticulture Building, and furthermore that the office and equipment be modernized. Note of Secretary on a few of the items needed: new typewriter, new desk lamps, additional bookcases, dictionary stand, new shelving, extension telephone for clerk, additional files, office chairs (sufficient number to take care of committee meetings, etc.), office table of sufficient size to take care of usual board and committee meetings.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Secretary-Treasurer be hired at a salary of $3600 per annum; $2000 to be paid from state appropriations and $1600 from Society funds. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that Miss Tracy's salary be increased to $1500 per annum. Mr. Winter seconded the motion. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that the increase in Miss Tracy's salary go into effect October 1, 1944. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

R. S. Wilcox moved that full time employees of the Society shall have the same vacation and sick leave privileges as those set forth under the Minnesota State Civil Service act. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that $500 per annum be allowed for the traveling expenses of the Secretary-Treasurer, with the provision that this amount be increased if possible. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Hunt was called to the Meeting and presented to the members of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that the annual membership dues of affiliated societies be increased to 50¢ per member; this fee to include the privilege of obtaining a free membership premium upon request. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that those members entitled to receive a 1944 premium in 1945 may do so upon payment of 25¢. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

The fifth recommendation by the Budget Committee, which pertained to the question of maintaining the Life Membership Fund, was discussed.

Mr. Alderman moved: that a new policy be adopted regarding the Life Membership fund; that it be reduced and maintained at an amount approximating $10 for each active Life Member; that the amount withdrawn be used only for the buying of permanent and necessary office or other equipment, when it can be secured, to modernize the Horticultural Society office; and that the amount of the interest and of the fees received from new Life Members, which is in excess of the amount necessary for maintaining the permanent fund, be deposited in the regular checking account. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved the adoption of recommendation No. 6; namely, that the Policy Committee consider the possibility of obtaining the office space now vacated on the ground floor of the southwest corner of the Horticulture Building and that the office and equipment be modernized. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the State Department of Agriculture and to the State Office of Administration of Finance for their helpful cooperative suggestions for preparing the 1945 to 1947 biennial budget and for the reorganization of the structure of the Horticultural Society. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

R. S. Wilcox moved that the Executive Board authorize the Budget Committee and Secretary to notify the Department of Agriculture and the State Office of Administration of Finance of the action taken by the Executive Board of the Horticultural Society on the recommendations made by the Budget Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

Mr. Winter reported that the final report of the Fruit List Committee was in the process of preparation and would be ready to present at the annual meeting.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that expenses of about $15 be allowed for publicity in the Press of Minnesota regarding the appointment of a new secretary-treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Jensen. Passed.

The following recommendations made by the Show Committee were read by Dr. Hutchins:

1. The Show Committee recommends to the Executive Committee or the Executive Board that commercial firms be allowed to put in an educational exhibit at the annual show.

2. That the date be omitted from prize ribbons.

3. That up to $60 be appropriated for a Beekeepers exhibit.

4. That a special class be created for 3 plates of Haralson apples, open to any one not exhibiting tray of any variety. A cup to be presented for first place to be won three times before it can be kept, and cash prizes be pro-rated for entries even to 10 places if that number of entries are shown. Note (added by acting secretary): This cup and prize money to be furnished by an outside corporation. It was suggested that the Farm Bureau Cooperation Service be contacted.
(Note: $40.00 has been received for this purpose from the Farm Bureau Cooperative Service. Class is entered in premium list. Question possibly calls for an O.K. by Board.)

R. S. Wilcox moved that recommendation No. 1 in regard to commercial firms be referred to the Policy Committee. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that recommendation No. 2; namely, that the date be omitted from prize ribbons, be struck from these recommendations. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that the recommendation regarding the Farm Cooperative Service trophy be adopted as modified in the official premium list. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Stated as follows in 1944 Premium List:

Lot 25 Three plates of Haralson apples. Minnesota Farm Bureau Service Company "Novice Special." Open to all Minnesota growers who have less than one acre planted to apples and who have not previously won a first prize with apples in a state-wide exhibit prior to 1944. First premium, Farm Bureau Service Company Trophy to be held for one year, trophy to be held permanently by first exhibitor winning it three times; second premium, $3; third, $2.00; fourth, $1.00; fifth and sixth 50¢ each.

R. S. Wilcox moved the adoption of the Report of the Show Committee as amended. Seconded by Mr. Jensen. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox reported on the work of the Program Committee and briefly outlined the program as planned for the annual meeting.

Mrs. Whiteford reported on the work of the Special Awards Committee.

The list of those recommended for awards, and a statement of the reasons for each award is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Dr. Wilcox explained briefly regarding the work of Jens Jensen and recommended that he be considered for a Bronze Medal.

R. S. Wilcox moved that Jens Jensen be given a Bronze Medal. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that William Schmid be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Dr. Wilcox. Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that Thomas M. McCall be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Mr. Jenson. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that Arthur Koerner be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Mr. Jenson. Carried.

Mr. Aamodt moved that A. B. Coleman be given an Award of Merit. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins as chairman of the committee on Retirement recommended the following amendment to the By-Laws.

Amendment of Section 7 of By-Laws

1. Section 7 is: "The term of office of all officers except secretary-treasurer shall begin January 1, of the even numbered years."

2. The motion is: To strike out "of even numbered years" and substitute "of the year following his election" and to add the sentence reading "The secretary-treasurer shall retire on December 31, following the annual meeting nearest to his 68th birthday."

3. Section 7 amended will then be: The term of office of all officers, except secretary-treasurer, shall commence immediately upon their election. The term of office of secretary-treasurer shall begin January 1, of the year following his election. The secretary-treasurer shall retire on December 31, following the annual meeting nearest to his 68th birthday.

Mr. Alderman moved to adopt the amendment to the By-Laws. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

At 12:15, Mr. Alderman moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Dr. Wilcox. Carried.

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President

A. E. Hutchins
Acting Secretary

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award;

Bronze Medal

Jens Jensen, Chicago, distinguished landscape architect, for his discernment in revealing the soul of the native American landscape.

Honorary Life Memberships

Thomas M. McCall for long and distinguished service in the development of horticulture and garden clubs in the Red River Valley.

William Schmid for long and meritorious leadership in commercial small fruit production in Minnesota.

Arthur C. Koerner for outstanding contribution to ornamental horticulture in developing miniature gladioli varieties and interest in their culture.

Award of Merit

A. B. Coleman for pioneer work and long continued interest in the development of small fruit culture in the Aitkin district.

(NOTE: The following recommended for action at the Executive Board Meeting, October 10, 1944)

Mykola Haydak for aid to the honey production industry of Minnesota through many important contributions to beekeeping research.

Peter P. Stiever for outstanding service in development and maintenance of an active interest in beekeeping in Southeastern Minnesota.

Isak Isaksen for long and devoted interest in beekeeping and improvement of cultural methods.

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April 12, 1944

Mr. T. L. Aamodt
State Entomologist
University Farm
St. Paul 8, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Aamodt:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter of April 4 in regard to membership in the State Employees Retirement Association of the Secretary and employees of the State Horticultural Society. It will be brought to the attention of the Retirement Board at its meeting which is scheduled for April 25.

As the writer stated over the telephone, as she understands it an amendment to the retirement fund law would be required in order to accomplish this. We will write you as promptly as possible after the April 25 Board meeting.

Very truly yours,

STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASS'N

Ona A. Crume

Ona A. Crume, Executive Secretary

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May 9, 1944

Miss Ona A. Crume, Executive Secretary
State Employees Retirement Association
613 State Office Building
St. Paul 1, Minnesota

Dear Miss Crume:

I have a note from you dated April 12 in which you indicated there would be a meeting of the Retirement Board on April 25 at which time the question in regard to membership of Secretary and employees of the State Horticultural Society in the Retirement Association would be taken up. I wonder if you would write to me concerning any decision arrived at by the Board concerning this matter. We are planning to hire a new Secretary in the State Horticultural Society some time very soon and considerable depends upon whether or not the individual can be placed in the Retirement Association.

Very truly yours

T. L. Aamodt
State Entomologist
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May 11, 1944

Make A. Opinion copy

Mr. T. L. Aamodt
State Entomologist
University Farm
St. Paul 8, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Aamodt:

I apologize for not writing you more promptly after the April 25 Board meeting. A situation came up just after the Board meeting which made it necessary to request the Attorney General for an opinion, and since this opinion may have some bearing on status of employees similar to that of the secretary and employees of the State Horticultural Society I had hoped to have the opinion and a meeting of Board members before writing you, - furthermore, we are so short of help it is difficult to take care of all matters as promptly as we would like to. We do not yet have the opinion requested, and there has been no meeting of Board members.

At the April 25 Board meeting the question presented in your letter of April 4, was considered, and the Secretary was instructed to advise you that under the present law and opinion of the Attorney General the secretary and employees of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society are not eligible to membership in the State Employees Retirement Association; but the Board is inclined to favor an amendment to the law which would entitle them to membership, and the matter is therefore being being given consideration along with other legislative matters.

It does not appear the question which has arisen, upon which an opinion has been requested, would change the status of employees of the State Horticultural Society so that without an amendment to the retirement fund law they could become members of the Retirement Association, but it may indicate whether from a legal standpoint there would be hope of securing such an amendment.

As soon as we have further information it will be given you.

Very truly yours,

STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Ona A. Crume

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Ona A. Crume, Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, October 10, 1944
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 9:30 A. M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, A. E. Hutchins, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. W. H. Beyrer, Mrs. Wm. Bally, F. C. Schletty, Frank Hallstrom, R. S. Wilcox, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. John Erickson, Frank Siefert.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held September 8, 1944, were read by the Acting Secretary.

Minutes were approved as read.

Mrs. Whiteford reported on the work of the Special Awards Committee, and stated that her committee recommended that Mykola Haydak, Peter P. Stiever, and Isak Isakson be given the "Award of Merit."

Mr. Dunn moved that the Award of Merit be given to the three men recommended by the Awards Committee. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins read a letter from the Minnesota Garden Flower Society which referred to the increase in affiliation dues.

Mr. Alderman moved that the letter be acknowledged and put on file. Seconded by Mr. Siefert. Carried.

The financial report was read by the Acting Treasurer. This report was referred to the Auditing Committee.

R. S. Wilcox moved that Mr. Hunt and Mr. Alderman be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for obtaining office space across the hall in the Horticultural Building for the Horticultural Society office and if such space is obtained to make arrangements for moving the Horticultural equipment and supplies to the new office.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Polls should be open from 4 to 6 P. M. and 7 to 8 P.M. on Tuesday and from noon to 2 P. M. on Wednesday. Seconded by Mrs. Erickson. Carried.

The President appointed Mr. Siefert and Mr. Hallstrom to serve as tellers.

Mr. Dunn moved that a small committee be appointed with the secretary as chairman to prepare outlines and materials for educational sets of kodachrome slides or film strips on various phases of horticulture. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that a letter of thanks be written to Dr. Hutchins and Dr. Wilcox for their guidance and assistance in the affairs of the Society during the past several months. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that Dr. Wilcox be appointed at the regular salary to serve in an advisory capacity or assist the new editor for another issue. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

A. E. Hutchins

Presidnt

Acting Secretary

Mrs. Sellwood nominated Mr. Bandelin.

Mr. Aamodt moved that nominations cease. Mr. Schletty seconded the motion. Carried.

President Nicholson called for nominations for a two-year Board member, one to be elected this year.

Mrs. John Erickson nominated Mr. R. S. Wilcox.

Mr. Sorby moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

President Nicholson announced that the polls would be open Oct. 10, 4 to 6 P.M. and 7 to 8 P.M. and Oct. 11, 12:00 noon to 2 P.M. President Nicholson appointed Mr. F. L. Seifert and Mr. Frank Hallstrom tellers.

Mr. Alderman moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Steuber. Carried.

President Nicholson declared the meeting adjourned.

Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis
Tuesday evening, Oct. 10, 1944

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President A. E. Hutchins. Vice-President Hutchins called for the report of the conference on "What can the Society do for home and state beautification?" This report was read by President Nicholson, Chairman of the conference. President Nicholson moved its adoption. Seconded by Mrs. O'Connor. Carried.

The chairman called for the conference report on "What can the Society do for fruit growing?" W. H. Alderman, chairman of the conference, read the report and moved its adoption. Seconded by George Stueber. Carried.

The chairman called for the report of the conference on "What can the Society do for vegetable growing?" The report was read by K. A. Kirkpatrick, chairman of the conference. W. H. Alderman moved its adoption. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

L. E. Longley moved that the meeting adjourn. Carried.

Vice-President Hutchins declared the meeting adjourned.

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President

E. J. R. Hurst
Secretary.

Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis
Wed. Oct. 11, 1944
3:00 P.M.

Following the closing of the polls and tabulation of votes by the tellers, the following election of officers was announced before each group of the Society then in program session:

for President - Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson	44 votes cast
for Vice-President - Mr. A. E. Hutchins	43 votes cast
for 3 year term, executive board - Mr. O. A. Bandelin	45 votes cast
for 3 year term, executive board - Mr. Harold Pederson	42 votes cast
for 2 year term, executive board - Mr. R. S. Wilcox	45 votes cast

E. M. Hunt.
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, October 11, 1944
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

President Nicholson called the meeting to order at 7:45 P. M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, B. F. Dunn, Miss Emma Schmidt, Henry Leidel, Mrs. Holger Ostgaard, Mrs. John Erickson, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Harold Pederson, W. F. Paulson, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Mrs. W. H. Beyrer, George Steuber, A. E. Hutchins and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held October 10, 1944, were read by A. E. Hutchins.

Minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Alderman, chairman of the auditing committee, reported that the accounts of the Society had been examined and found to be correct and in good order.

Mrs. Whiteford moved to accept the report of the Auditing Committee. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that an adequate number of 1943-44 issues of the Minnesota Horticulturist be bound. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the disposition of the motion picture outfit be left to the Executive committee for further consideration. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that Mr. Alderman be appointed as one of the alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs.

Mr. Dunn moved that Mr. Pederson be appointed as the other alternate on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford.

Mr. Leidel moved to vote by acclamation. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman and Mr. Pederson were appointed by acclamation.

Dr. Hutchins spoke of the advisability of having certain committees hold their meetings in the spring.

Mr. Dunn moved that we have a show at approximately the same time and set up as the one in 1944, if financial aid can be secured. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that letters of thanks be written to Mr. Masters, The Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association, Exhibitors, Speakers on program, Newspapers, University Farm Publicity, Show Judges, and to such others as the secretary deems have contributed to the making of the show and meeting a success.

Mrs. Erickson moved that the Janitors at the Curits Hotel be given $5.00 in tips. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

Mrs. Whiteford moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to the A. B. Franklin family. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Eldred Hunt be appointed as secretary-treasurer of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society for a two year period beginning January 1, 1945, at $3600. per annum. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins read the recommendations from each of the following conferences held at the Annual Meeting of the Society October 10, 1944, and reported to andadopted by the General Assembly October 10, 1944.

1. "What can the Society do for home and state beautification."
2. "What can the Society do for fruit growing."
3. "What can the Society do for vegetable growing."

These reports are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mrs. Beyrer moved that a copy of the recommendations from each conference be sent to each board member for study. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford Carried.

The following resolutions pertaining to the above mentioned conference reports were then considered:

1. Whereas, the General Assembly of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society on October 10, 1944, and their Executive Board in executive session, October 11, 1944, expressed the need of an Extension Specialist in each of the three fields of Horticulture, namely; vegetable, fruit, and ornamental. The Executive Board of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society hereby goes on record as recommending to the Director of Agricultural Extension of the University of Minnesota that action on this matter be given immediate attention.

   Mrs. Sellwood moved the adoption of the resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Erickson. Carried.

2. Whereas, the General Assembly of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society on October 10, 1944, and their Executive Board in executive session, October 11, 1944, expressed the opinion that there is a need and demand for refresher courses in horticultural fields among County Agents; the Executive Board of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society goes on record as recommending to the Director of Agricultural Extension that such Statewide or District Horticultural Conferences for County Agents as he may deem necessary to meet this need and demand be set up by the Agricultural Extension of the University of Minnesota.

   Mrs. Erickson moved the adoption of the resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that these resolutions be sent to Mr. P. E. Miller, Director of Agricultural Extension, University of Minnesota; that a copy of the

letter to Mr. Miller be sent to Dr. C. H. Bailey, Director of the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station; and that R. A. Trovatten, State Commissioner of Agriculture be informed of this action. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Nicholson for her outstanding services to the Society during her first year as President. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 P. M.

A. E. Hutchins

President

Acting Secretary

Report of Conference on "What the Society can do for Home and State Beautification," presented at General Assembly, October 10, 1944.

Conference was held in Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, October 10, 1944
Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Chairman of Conference

Whereas the beauty of the native landscape in its various forms is one of the most valuable and satisfying assets of our state for its residents and visitors alike, it is recommended:

That the Society foster an educational program to increase personal and civic consciousness of the desirability of beautification work that is in harmony with the native landscape.

That the Society urges the desirability of memorial highways and parks that immortalize and epitomize the greatest natural beauty of the region in which they are established.

That the State Highway Department be commended and encouraged in its efforts to use native plant material in highway planting and in its planning and construction of highways in keeping with the native landscape.

That the Division of State Parks of the Conservation Department be commended and supported in its far-seeing definition of a state park and in its adherence to the standards set by that definition.

That billboards and other structures that mar the beauty of the native landscape be discouraged, recognizing that the most effective action in this respect can be taken by local affiliated societies.

That the Society advocate the appropriate planting of school grounds and support such work through its magazine, its garden clubs, and with PTA organizations and state and local departments of education.

That the use of native plant material in home beautification be continued, and more actively encouraged.

It is further recommended that the Society use all of its existing agencies in education for beautification, and that closer contacts be established between the Society and the local garden clubs in order to increase the effectiveness of the beautification program.

Motion to adopt - Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson
Second - Mr. O'Connor
Carried.

Report of Conference on "What the Society can do for Fruit Growers," presented at General Assembly, October 10, 1944.

Conference was held in Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Oct. 10, 1944.
W. H. Alderman, Chairman of Conference
Benjamin F. Dunn, Secretary of Conference

I The Conference appreciates the service the State Horticultural Society has always given to the fruit growers of Minnesota. It is suggested that the Society not only continue its interest, but wherever possible broaden and intensify existing services, such as: publication of valuable articles on fruit growing in the Minnesota Horticulturist, the distribution of poison bait, the preparations of recommended fruit variety lists, the offering of new varieties of fruit trees and plants as premiums for test purposes, the presentation of radio programs, the preparation of lantern slides, and other visual educational aids, the holding of state and local shows, the preparation of vital and interesting programs on fruit growing for the annual meetings, the contact of the Secretary and other officers with individuals and local groups.

II The Conference recommends that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society go on record in support of a request to the Division of Agricultural Extension of the University of Minnesota to employ an extension specialist to work specifically with commercial and home fruit growers and problems in tree and small fruit production.

III The Conference recommends that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society present to the Director of Agricultural Extension of the University of Minnesota the suggestion that it would be desirable to hold periodic conferences of County Agricultural Agents on a regional or state-wide basis for the purpose of presenting to the agents the most recent scientific information, bearing upon horticultural practices and problems. To this end it is suggested that the society offer fully its aid and cooperation.

Motion to adopt - W.H. Alderman
Second - George Steuber
Carried.

Report of Conference on "What the Society can do for Vegetable Growing," presented at General Assembly, October 10, 1944.

Conference was held in Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, October 10, 1944.
K. A. Kirkpatrick, Chairman of Conference

Since commercial vegetable growing is a specialized horticultural enterprise that bulks large in the agricultural income in our state, this conference makes the following suggestions in answer to the question "What can the State Horticultural Society do for vegetable growing in our state?"

(a) The conference realizes and appreciates that the Society has always considered commercial vegetable growing a basic portion in the field of horticulture. We believe and hope they will continue and enhance the interest and good will in the past by offering full cooperation and assistance in furthering research and education on commercial vegetable growing problems at University Farm, St. Paul, and the outlying agricultural experiment stations.

(b) It is the hope of this conference that the society can and will, as soon as possible, devote a definite space monthly in the Minnesota Horticulturist for subject and news matter of direct interest to farmers engaged in the commercial vegetable growing industry.

(c) It is the hope of this conference that the society will take a genuine aggressive interest in further organization of the commercial vegetable growers of Minnesota. (~~Offer further limitation and explanation~~)

(d) This conference offers its cooperation to the society and its executive personnel to establish and keep functioning a small advisory committee of commercial vegetable growers to recommend and help plan special activities for the market gardeners, including next year's annual meeting, other special events under the Horticultural Society sponsorship, including meeting, premium lists, and potential exhibits.

Motion to adopt - W. H. Alderman
Second - R. S. Wilcox
Carried.

Executive Board Meeting, March 29, 1945
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

Meeting called to order at 7:40 P.M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, A. E. Hutchins, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, R. S. Wilcox, Mrs. Ernest Gihlstorf, Miss Emma Schmidt, Harold Pederson, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Paul H. Peters, Benjamin F. Dunn, J. D. Winter, who represented the Minnesota Fruit Growers, and E. M. Hunt, Secretary.

Mimeographed copies of the last Board Meeting held October 11, 1944, had previously been mailed to each Board member. Mr. Wilcox moved that these minutes be accepted as written. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Hunt gave a financial report of the Society funds.

A report of the Policy Committee was given by Mr. Dunn, who called upon the secretary to explain the following recommendations which had been approved at the afternoon meeting:

The Policy Committee recommended:

(1.) That April 5, be designated as the closing date for premium requests.

(2.) That July 1, be designated as the "cut off" date for recording current year memberships.

(3.) That members paying fees before July 1, receive all copies of the Horticulturist for the current year including back copies preceding the date of payment of fees.

(4.) That membership fees received after July 1, be applied to next years membership, but that the applicant be put on the "Horticulturist" mailing list for the remainder of the current year.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the first recommendation in regard to a dead line for premiums be approved. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that the recommendations (2, 3, 4) regarding the closing date for recording current year memberships be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin reported what action had been taken by the Legislative Committee. Mrs. Nicholson and Mr. Hunt further explained what procedure had been followed by the office, different committees and individuals in attempting to thoroughly inform the State Budget Committee and members of the legislature of the purpose and scope of the work program of the Horticultural Society and the need of the $6500 requested appropriation.

Mr. Dunn moved that the secretary be allowed to draw on the savings account if the membership receipts and state appropriation were not sufficient to cover necessary expenses. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson opened for discussion the question of what should be done with the Savings Bonds which would mature in October. Mr. Bandelin

moved that the question of the disposition of the bonds be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Winter moved that a definite Life Membership Fund be set up. Seconded by Miss Schmidt. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that as near a complete set as possible of the old Annual Reports be given to the Mayo Forestry and Horticulture Institute at Rochester. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mr. Alderman explained the purpose and set up of the Mayo Forestry and Horticulture Institute at Rochester, and its relationship to the University.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the disposition of the old bound volumes be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

The secretary in reporting on the possibility of obtaining permission from O.D.T. to hold the Annual Meeting stated the necessity of having a definite place and date set and not applying for permission over six months in advance of that date.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the Executive Committee investigate the possibility of holding the Annual Meeting in St. Paul, providing St. Paul would offer approximately the same accomodations as could be obtained in Minneapolis. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

The secretary reported that a request had been received from the Ninth District Organization regarding whether or not the State Society could give aid to the District Organizations in some other way then just for speakers to their meetings. The consensus was that aid to the districts should be supplied only in the furnishing of speakers or for expenses involved in furnishing speakers; and that other financial needs should be provided for by the organizations themselves.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the question regarding Strawberry Day, Apple Day or Visitors Day be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

The chair entertained a motion to adjourn at 10:10. Motion carried.

_____ E. M. Hurst

President Secretary

Policy Committee Meeting, March 29, 1945
Cafeteria Dining Hall, University Farm

Meeting called to order at 12:15 P. M.
Benjamin F. Dunn presiding.

Members present: Benjamin F. Dunn, W. H. Alderman, Louis R. Fischer, A. E. Hutchins, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson and E. M. Hunt.

Mrs. Nicholson moved the policy committee recommend to the Executive Board that the closing date for recording premiums should be April 5. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved to recommend to the Board that July 1, be designated as the closing date for recording current year memberships. Anyone paying fees before July 1, would automatically be given current year membership and would receive back copies of the Horticulturist for the year. Membership fees paid after July 1, would automatically be applied to the following year, but such applicants would receive the remaining issues of the magazine for the year. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

The question regarding the advisability of extending the financial support given to district organizations to include other expenses than just speakers was discussed, but no action was taken by the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 P. M.

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

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Chairman

Editorial Committee Meeting, March 29, 1945
Horticulture Building, University Farm

Meeting called to order at 4:30 P.M.
R. S. Wilcox presiding.

Members present: R. S. Wilcox, A. N. Wilcox, A. E. Hutchins, J. D. Winter, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford.

Mr. Hunt solicited opinions regarding the re-designing of the magazine cover page. It was suggested that any changes be left to the discretion of the editor.

Question arose as to the necessity of printing committee lists and other information now appearing on the inside cover page in every issue. It was agreed that the list of officers and the executive committee should be printed in every issue. If the space was needed for other purposes it was suggested that the committee lists be printed only two times per year; the position in the magazine to be determined by the editor.

Discussion followed regarding the retaining of regular department pages in the magazine. No definite policy was decided upon. The concensus was that the make-up should be flexible as to departments and regular department writers, the decisions to be made by the editor.

It was suggested that the editor study the matter of advertising rates with the view of making any needed adjustments.

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

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Chairman

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
11 a.m. May 19, 1945
Society Office

Members present: Mrs. V. E. Nicholson
A. E. Hutchins
E. M. Hunt

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

1. A separate and permanent life membership fund be set up as recommended by executive board action in March 29, 1945 session.

2. That this be accomplished by setting aside U. S. bonds, series F maturing in 1953 (value as of Mar. 1, 1945 $3068.)

3. That a treasury bond in the amount of $2500. be purchased out of the savings account now in the Farmers and Mechanics Bank, this bond to also become a part of the life membership fund.

It was moved, seconded and carried that bonds maturing in October 1945 (value $2725.) be placed in a savings account.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the life membership fund be maintained at $10.00 per life member (living) by yearly adjustment of reserve funds.

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

1. The annual meeting and show be held October 18 and 19, 1945 in St. Paul, providing the First National Bank provides approximately $350.00 and exhibition space for the show.

2. The Society sponsor an "Apple Day" and "Raspberry Day" (if approved by Professor Alderman).

3. A list of War Memorials committee members be published in the July-August Horticulturist.

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis
Tuesday Morning, October 23, 1945

General Meeting Minnesota State Horticultural Society

The meeting was called to order by President Nicholson at 11:20 a.m. (approximately 55 members were present).

President Nicholson called for the report of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors' Committee.

Mr. Law read the report of his committee, preceding the reading by his own remarks regarding the purpose and nature of the report.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. McWhorter; Carried.

President Nicholson called for the report of Fruit List Committee.

Mr. Winter presented the report of his committee and moved its adoption. Seconded by Mr. Alderman; Carried.

President Nicholson called for the report of the Superintendent of the Fruit Breeding Farm.

Mr. Alderman presented the report.

President Nicholson called for the report of the State Fair Horticulture Building Committee.

Mr. Weir presented the report of his committee.

President Nicholson asked the members present if it was their wish that the treasurer's report be presented at this time.

Mr. Alderman moved that the reading of the treasurer's report be omitted at this time and that the report be published in the next issue of the Horticulturist. Seconded by Mrs. Paulson; Carried.

NOMINATIONS

President Nicholson called for nominations for the office of president, first calling attention to the rules regarding the eligibility of members to vote and to hold office as stated in the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Society.

Mrs. Straus nominated A. E. Hutchins for president.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that nominations for the office of president cease. Seconded; Carried.

President Nicholson called for nominations for the office of vice-president.

Mrs. Bally nominated T. S. Weir. (Mr. Weir was found to be ineligible.)

Mr. Dunn nominated Mr. Bandelin.

Hearing no further nominations the chair declared nominations for vice-president closed.

President Nicholson called for nominations for executive board members, two to be elected for a 3-year term each.

Mrs. Farrell nominated Mrs. Stravs.

Mrs. Sellwood nominated Louis Fischer.

A. N. Wilcox nominated Mr. Dunn.

Hearing no further nominations the chair declared the nominations for executive board members closed.

President Nicholson appointed Harold Pederson and Mrs. McCann tellers and announced that the polls would be open October 23, 4 to 6 p. m. and 7 to 8 p. m. ; also October 24, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

President Nicholson brought to the attention of the members the fact that in the event of Mr. Bandelin's election to the office of vice-president his unexpired term as an executive board member (2 years) would be left vacant.

Mr. Winter moved that in the event of a third vacancy on the executive board the candidate polling the third largest vote be declared elected to serve the 2-year term, the two candidates polling the two largest total votes to serve regular 3-year terms.

Seconded by Mr. Grussendorf. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Grussendorf. Carried.

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President

Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, October 23, 1945
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

President Nicholson called the meeting to order at 9:30 A. M.

Members present: Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, A. E. Hutchins, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. Wm. Whiteford, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Harold Pederson, R. S. Wilcox, Mrs. W. H. Beyrer, Mrs. Wm. H. Bally, Mrs. A. M. Steece, Mrs. D. A. Paulson, Mrs. W. C. McWhorter, O. A. Bandelin and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held March 29, 1945 were read by the secretary.

Minutes were approved as read.

A financial report of the Society funds was given by the treasurer.

The chair instructed that the report be filed for auditing.

Mr. Pederson moved that the Executive Board approve the hours of voting as listed on the program; 4 to 6 P. M. and 7 to 8 P. M. on Tuesday and from 12 o'clock noon to 2 P. M. on Wednesday. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

The President appointed Mr. Bandelin and Mr. Pederson as tellers.

Mr. Hunt, chairman of the Special Awards Committee, reported on the work of his committee.

A list of those recommended for awards and a statement of the reasons for each award is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Alderman moved that John Douglas Winter be awarded the Bronze Medal. Seconded by Mrs. Whiteford. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that E. C. Hillborn be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin moved that Dr. Christopher C. Graham be given an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin stated reasons why he thought Mrs. J. E. Enz of Red Wing should be given an Award of Merit.

Harold Pederson explained briefly the work of Ruth Scribner in connection with the Minneapolis School Children's Victory Garden Program and recommended that she be given an Award of Merit.

Mr. Dunn moved that the namesof Mrs. J. E. Enz and Ruth Scribner be added to the list of those recommended by the Awards Committee, and that these sixteen persons be given the Award of Merit. Seconded by Mrs. Bally. Carried.

Mr. Dunn thanked the Executive Board and the State Horticultural Society for the set of Annual Reports which the Society had donated to the Mayo Forestry and Horticulture Institute.

Mrs. Nicholson extended thanks to all those who had helped her during her two years as President.

Mr. Alderman referred to the difficulties the Society had encountered during the past four years and expressed appreciation to the two presidents and others who had helped to carry the Society through this difficult period.

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn at 10:40 A. M. Motion carried.

_____ Ed M Hunt

President Secretary

10/23/45

List of those reccommended for awards and the reasons for each award:

Bronze Medal

To James Douglas Winter
For His outstanding contributions to the development of the fruit industry in Minnesota

Honorary Life Membership

To E. C. Hillbron
For Long-time work in testing fruit and ornamental plants for the northwest

To Dr. Christopher Graham
For Achievement in, and through the years, constant encouragement of ornamental gardening.

Award of Merit

To Mrs. D. McGillivray Sr.
For Leadership in garden club work.

To Florence Burlingame
For Encouragement, leadership and council in the culture and use of flowers

To William E. Swain
For Leadership in the children's gardening program

To Herbert E. Kahlert
For Promotion of home and city beautification, and garden club leadership.

To Melvin Bergeson
For Energetic and unselfish promotion of home beautification and fruit growing in the Red River Valley

To C. M. Pesek
For Outstanding organization work among garden and flower societies in the Red River Valley

To Mrs. E. D. Hammond
For Leadership in garden club work and promotion of gardening in school and community

To Robert Schreiner
For Accomplishment in originating outstanding iris varieties

To E. H. Lins
For Accomplishment in originating outstanding peony varieties

To Mrs. P. M. Schaeffer
For Leadership in garden club work

To Fred Ulrich
For Achievements in, and contributions to fruit culture in Minnesota

Awards of Merit (cont'd)

To Mrs. Paul Sotnack
For Leadership in the promotion of home gardening

To George H. Johnston
For Leadership in the promotion of home gardening

To William F. Haenke
For Achievement in potato production and contributions to the development of an improved seed potato industry

To Mrs. J. E. Enx
For Leadership in garden club work

To Ruth Scribner
For Leadership in developing a school gardening program

Executive Board Meeting, October 24, 1945
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:45 P. M.

Members present: Dr. A. E. Hutchins, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, R. S. Wilcox, George J. Heuer, Cortis Rice, Mrs. W. H. Beyrer, Louis R. Fischer, C. S. McReynolds, Wm. A. Benitt, Paul Peters, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Carl B. Straws, Mrs. E. J. Weschke, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. Wm. H. Bally, Mrs. H. Ostgaard, and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held October 23, 1945, omitting the list of award recipients, were read by the secretary. Mr. Alderman moved that the reading of that part of the minutes listing those who received special awards be omitted. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried. Minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Alderman, chairman of the auditing committee, reported that the accounts of the Society had been examined and found to be correct and in good order.

Mrs. Nicholson moved to accept the report. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that a show be held in connection with the annual meeting in 1946. Seconded by Mrs. Straws. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the 1946 annual meeting be held sometime during the last two weeks in October. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the Executive Committee consider the desirability of holding a banquet in connection with the 1946 annual meeting. Seconded by Mr. McReynolds. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that Mr. Alderman and Mr. Pederson serve as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried

The secretary gave a detailed report on the cost of the 1945 membership premiums. (See attached report.)

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the entire subject of premiums distribution and cost be left to the policy committee for further study. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

The members discussed at some length the policy to be followed in the loaning of Society show equipment. The relative merits of requiring deposits and the making of flat charges for the use of equipment were considered.

Mr. Pederson moved that the question regarding the requiring a fee or deposit for the use of the show equipment be referred to the Policy Committee. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. After further discussion both the second to the motion and the motion were withdrawn.

Mr. Fischer moved that the general show equipment owned by the State Horticultural Society be loaned to affiliated societies free of charge. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the usual award for the 4-H garden champion be awarded in 1946 on the basis of 1945 performance. Mrs. Nicholson then moved to amend the original motion to read, "moved that the secretary of the State Horticultural Society be authorized to present to the 4-H Champion Gardener for 1945 a set of Horticultural library books, not to exceed $10.00 in cost, and that the secretary also be authorized to offer this same award to the 4-H Champion Gardener for 1946." The motion as amended was seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that a gift of $5.00 be given janitors at the Curtis Hotel in appreciation of service rendered during the annual meeting.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the Executive Committee be empowered to appoint a Nominating Committee; such committee if appointed to act when and if the executive committee discovers that the Constitution permits the functioning of a nominating committee. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the revision of the Constitution be left to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

The chair entertained a motion to adjourn at 12:00 midnight. Motion carried.

A. E. Hutchins
President

E. W. Hunt
Secretary.

10/24/45

COST ACCOUNT, MEMBERSHIP PLANT PREMIUMS
1945

PLANTS		$ 633.24
LABOR		
Sec. (25 days)	$300.00	
Clerk (50 days)	250.00	
Temporary (817 hrs.)	408.50	958.50
POSTAGE (mailing premiums)		
From office	98.82	
From Fruit Farm	154.58	253.40
PACKAGING MATERIAL		
Paper		
kraft, 1 roll	4.10	
wrapping, 2 rolls	5.00	
waterproof, 3 rolls	19.15	
wax	1.86	
Paper bags	1.04	
Moss	2.50	33.65
PRINTING		
Tags	61.85	
Prem. req. cards	19.25	
Prem. list reprints	15.00	
Labels	3.00	
Magazine space	25.00	124.10
NURSERY INSPECTION		25.00
EXPRESS		7.85
MISC. OFFICE		
Correspondence	5.50	
Telephone calls	5.15	10.65
TOTAL COSTS		$2,047.39

DISTRIBUTION

Number of Society members 1945	7,067
Number of affiliate members	6,442 (91.1%)
Proportion of total members receiving premium	76.2%
Number of premiums obtained without cost	2,480
Number of premiums purchased	2,908 (53.9%)
Total number of premiums supplied	5,388

AVERAGE COST PER PREMIUM

Plants	(cost per premium supplied)	$0.117
	(per premium purchased . . 0.217)	
Labor		0.177
Postage		0.047
Miscellaneous		0.037
Total cost per premium supplied		$0.378

Executive Board Meeting, March 20, 1946
Saint Paul Hotel, St. Paul

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M.

Members present: A. E. Hutchins, O. A. Bandelin, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. V. E. Nicholson, Louis R. Fischer, B. F. Dunn, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, R. S. Wilcox, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, C. McReynolds, Ralph W. Bachman, Paul Peters, Mrs. E. J. Weschcke, Joseph B. Patzke, Dr. H. O. Winter, Alfred Swanson, Cortis N. Rice, Mrs. Ruth Brand, and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held October 24, 1945, were read by the Secretary. These were approved as read.

Mr. Dunn Explained the "Nomination for Special Awards" form, prepared by the Awards Committee, to be sent out for recommendations. Mr. Dunn moved that this form with minor changes be adopted and that the board authorize the printing of a sufficient number of these forms. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox, Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on what progress had been made in investigating the possibility of holding the Annual Meeting and Show in St. Paul.

Mr. Fischer moved that a banquet be held in connection with the fall meeting. Seconded by Mr. Patzke. Carried.

The President turned the Chair over to the Vice President in order to report on the suggested changes in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws.

Suggested changes in Articles of Incorporation

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Any person may become an annual or life member of the society upon payment to the Secretary-Treasurer of such fees as the Executive Board may prescribe. Members of state or local societies interested in horticulture may become members of the society as a unit by payment of such annual fees as the Executive Board may prescribe.

Mr. Fischer moved that the revised Article III Section 1. be adopted as read. Seconded by Mrs. Weschcke. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that following the discussion of each remaining suggested change the revision automatically be put to a vote, a motion to be entertained regarding the changes thus voted upon at the close of discussion on all revisions. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Section 4. No member shall be entitled to vote on any proposed amendment to the by-laws of the society, or at any election of officers, unless such member was a member of this corporation on or before June 30 of the year balloting is held. Carried by acclamation.

Article VI. Meeting -- The annual meeting of the society shall be held on the second Tuesday in September. Carried by acclamation.

Suggested changes in By-Laws.

Section I. Affiliated Societies -- Members of state or local societies, interested in horticulture, may become members of this society as a unit by the payment of such annual fees as the Executive Board may prescribe. Each affiliated society shall file with the secretary a list of its members, a brief annual report of its activities, and send, if possible, a delegate to the annual meeting of the Society. Did not carry.

Section 2. Officers

f. One delegate at large from each of the active District Organizations; such delegate to be elected by the presidents, or proxies, of the affiliated clubs in each of said District Organizations for terms of two years. Carried by acclamation.

Section 8. Duties of Officers

Par. 1. President -- The president shall call and preside at all meetings of the society and the Executive Board and under the direction of the Executive Board, shall have general superintendence of the affairs of the society, and shall also appoint all necessary committees except those directly appointed by the Executive Board. Carried by acclamation.

Par. 3. Secretary-Treasurer

b. As Treasurer he shall receive and hold all the funds of the society, and pay out the same only upon orders signed by the president or on order of the executive committee. He shall give such bond as the executive board may direct and file the same with the Secretary of State. He shall make a report of the work of his office, of receipts and expenditures, at each annual meeting, and at any other time when called upon by the executive board and shall publish the annual financial statement of this society in the official publication of the society. Carried by acclamation.

d. The secretary-treasurer shall have charge of the society library and shall report on its condition at each annual meeting. Carried by acclamation.
(This eliminates Paragraph 4, but this duty is placed as Paragraph d. under Paragraph 3, and Paragraph 5 becomes Paragraph 4)

Par. 4. Executive Board

i. The board shall appoint committees as follows:

1. An executive committee of three regular members and two alternates. These shall be appointed from members of the board. Carried by acclamation.
2. An auditing committee of two board members. Carried by acclamation.
3. A Fruit Breeding Farm visitors committee of two or more suitable persons. Carried by acclamation.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that in accordance with Mr. Dunn's motion at the beginning of the discussion, the board adopt as a whole the revisions of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws as voted on. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the board hereby approve appointment of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee for 1946 as named by the President. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Hunt explained the scale of salaries now being paid clerical and secretarial workers at the University and pointed out that the salary now received by Miss Tracy is entirely out of line with the salaries being paid by the University for similiar services. Mr. Bandelin moved that Miss Tracy's salary be raised to $150 per month. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the officers be authorized to hire a permanent assistant clerk to help in the office when such a clerk is available, the salary of such clerk to be consistent with the salary of similar clerical positions at the University.

Mr. Hunt read a letter from the North Central Publishing Company which explained that due to increased labor and paper costs it was necessary for them to ask for increased rates in printing. Mr. Dunn moved that the Executive Committee check with other printing companies and place the order for the printing of the Horticulturist with the firm where the society would get the most service for the money invested and if necessary increase the expenditures for the magazine. Seconded by Mr. Swanson. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Board authorize the publication of the same number of "Pink Folders" as was authorized the last time and that we contact the Nurserymen and Florists Associations on the proposition of purchasing some copies of this folder at cost. Seconded by Mr. Backman. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the Society hold a Fruit Farm Visitor's Day at such a time as Mr. Alderman deemed suitable. Seconded by Mr. Patzke. Carried.

The President read a letter, forwarded to the Society from Governor Thye, which he had received from Mrs. R. E. Hutchinson, Chairman of State Exhibits, Fort Worth, Texas, inviting our State to present an exhibit of the Minnesota State Flower or other native flowers at the Fort Worth Flower Show Festival to be held May 10, 11 and 12. It was the opinion of the Board that it would be impractical to accept the invitation. Professor Alderman moved, seconded by Mr. Backman, that the Secretary write Mrs. Hutchinson a courteous letter (a copy to Governor Thye) expressing the regret of the Society in not being able to accept her kind invitation.

Mrs. Nicholson reported that she had sent a Round Robin letter to members of the War Memorials Committee encouraging the practice of planting Memorial trees or plants in individual home yards.

At 11:20 the President entertained a motion to adjourn.

A. C. Hutchins
President

E. W. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, Sept 13, 1946
Lowry Hotel, St. Paul

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:50 P. M.

Members present: A. E. Hutchins, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson W. H. Alderman, Mrs. J. M. Sellwood, Harold Pederson, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Louis R. Fischer, R. S. Wilcox, Cortis N. Rice, Mrs. Axel R. Hansen, C. S. McReynolds, H. O. Winter, Paul Peters, William A. Benitt, Helen Fischer who represented the Minnesota Garden Flower Society, and E. M. Hunt.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the regular order of business be suspended in order to hear the report of the Budget Committee. Seconded by Mr. Peters. Carried.

Mr. Aamodt, Chairman of the Budget Committee, reported on the work of his committee.

Mr. Alderman moved that the secretary be instructed to prepare a brief statement regarding the reserve funds of this Society explaining the following points in regard to the use of this fund:

1. The purpose that the fund now serves.
2. To what extent it is currently being reduced and for what purposes.
3. The necessity of using a considerable part of the fund for the purchase of office equipment as soon as the same is obtainable.
4. That at present it is not considered desireable to greatly reduce this fund in view of the anticipated urgent needs for its use in the future.

Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the salary of the secretary be increased from $3600 to $4000 per year. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that the salary of the clerk be increased to $2000 per year. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the increases in salary of the secretary and clerk take effect on October 1, 1946. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the Spending Plan recommended by the Budget Committee for the Biennium 1947 - '49 be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Peters. Carried. This budget is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mrs. Nicholson moved to proceed with the regular order of business. Seconded by Mrs. Sellwood. Carried.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held March 20, 1946, were read by the Secretary. These were approved as read.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read, and Mrs. Nicholson moved its adoption. Seconded by R. S. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Dunn reported on the work of the Special Awards Committee, and instructed the secretary to read the recommendations of the committee.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of the minutes.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that the Awards Committee report be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the following statements prepared by the Awards Committee regarding the relative values of Special Society Awards and the basis upon which these awards are conferred, be adopted by this board:

1. No distinction necessarily need be made between the bronze medal and honorary life membership in regard to which is the "higher" award.
2. The bronze medal is to be awarded for singular, spectacular achievement of a higher character.
3. Honorary life membership is to be awarded for outstanding achievement over a long period of service.
4. The award of merit is to be awarded in recognition of outstanding performance of "lesser magnitude or duration" than that for which the two higher awards are given.
5. Recepients of awards of merit should be reconsidered by the committee from time to time with the possibility in mind that they may have become eligible for a higher award.

Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mrs. Sellwood moved that the Bronze Medal be awarded to Justice C. R. Magney. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Helen Fischer moved that Mrs. J.A. Dougherty be awarded an Honorary Life Membership. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Mr. Rice moved that Mrs. Wm. Whiteford be awarded an Honorary Life membership. Seconded by Mr. Wilcox. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pederson, seconded by Mrs. Nicholson that the following procedure be used in presenting the names of persons recommended for Awards of Merit: read first name on the list, pause a few seconds; and if there are no questions or objections, continue in a like manner with each of the other names on the list. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that each of the candidates whose names appeared on the list presented be given an Award of Merit. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that Governor Thye be invited to present the awards of the Society at the Banquet. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on the plans and progress made by the Program and Show Committee.

Mrs. Nicholson Chairman of the War Memorials Committee, reported on the work of her committee.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the treasurer's report be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the polls at the 1946 annual meeting be open for the following hours: September 23, 4 to 6 P. M., September 24, 9 A. M. to 1:30 P. M. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved to suspend the question as to whether non-members should be allowed to exhibit at the Annual Show, until after the judging had been completed this year. Motion seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the Society do all it can to interest and show its appreciation to 4-H Club members, and that one-year memberships in the Society be awarded to the Champion of the Potatoe Project and to the champion of the Home Beautification Project; and that the present award to the Champion Gardener be continued. Seconded and Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Society remit ten dollars to the American Horticulture Council, Incorporated, for a Founding Membership. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mrs. Nicolson suggested that the Society give some thought to sponsoring a School of Judging.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45.

A. E. Hutchins Ed M. Hurst

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List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

Bronze Medal

To Clarence R. Magney
For Outstanding service in the preservation of Minnesota's natural resources and beauty

Honorary Life Membership

To Mrs. John A. Daugherty
For Exceptional efforts and achievements in gardening and unselfish promotion of garden club work.

To Mrs. William Whiteford
For Outstanding achievements in gardening arts and untiring efforts in behalf of many garden club organizations.

Award of Merit

To Rene Dufourd
For Outstanding service in the Minneapolis Garden Program and in the staging of gardening displays.

To Harold R. Kaufmann
For Leadership in the Minneapolis Garden Program and many contributions to garden club work.

To Dr. R. C. Farrish
For A lifetime of sharing unusual achievement and interest in gardening and flowers.

To Mrs. Willis Swanman
For Many years of generous effort in the organization and support of gardening work.

To Mrs. A. F. Engstrom
For Leadership in garden club work and unselfish sharing of gardening achievements.

To Stanley S. Shaver
For Leadership and promotion of victory gardening and organization and support of garden club work.

To Petrus Folden
For Encouragement of fruit growing during many years of demonstration and cooperative testing work.

Award of Merit

To Mrs. James Miller
For Constant encouragement to gardeners lecturing, writing and support of garden club work.

To Mrs. Chris Fredericksen
For Leadership in garden club work and efforts in the preservation of beauty along scenic highways.

To Mrs. Frank Jensen
For Leadership in and long time support of garden club work.

To Mrs. G. E. Griffin
For Garden club work and entusiastic support of related community projects.

To Harold Thomforde
For Leadership and support of garden club programs and living memorial projects.

To Mrs. R. C. Bellig
For Leadership in the promotion of gardening in 4-H clubs and other community groups.

To Stanley H. Schenck
For Leadership in garden club work and civic projects benefitting many communities.

To Edward Benson
For Encouragement to home and community horticulture through many years of support of gardening activities.

To C. W. Rogalla
For Leadership in gardening and his ability to share with others a most wonderful philosophy of Rural Living.

Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 24, 1946
Lowry Hotel, Saint Paul

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

Members present: A. E. Hutchins, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, William A. Benitt, Louis R. Fischer, Mrs. Bertha Cox, Ralph Bachman, Mrs. J. J. McCann, Benjamin F. Dunn, Cortis Rice, Harold Pederson, W. H. Alderman, Mrs. A. M. Steece, Mrs. Axel Hansen, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. A. R. Decker, Helen Fischer who represented the Garden Flower Society, and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held September 13, 1946, were read by the Secretary. These were approved as read.

Mr. Bandelin moved that non-members be allowed to exhibit competitively at the State Horticultural Society Annual Show. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the Executive Board authorize A.E. Hutchins, re-elected president, to sign all necessary checks of the Society. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the 1946 4-H Champion Gardener be given a $10.00 set of horticulture books and a one year membership in the Society. Seconded by Mrs. Steece. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the president appoint a standing 4-H Club Committee to represent the Society in contacts with the 4-H Club office regarding 4-H Club projects. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the Society sponsor three 4-H projects by offering three prizes not to exceed $10.00 each. Seconded by Helen Fischer. Mr. Dunn moved to amend Mr. Bandelin's motion to allow the committee to spend up to $100.00 on these three projects. Helen Fischer than withdrew her second and Mr. Bandelin withdrew his motion. Mr. Dunn then restated the motion to read: moved that the 4-H Club Committee be authorized to expend with the advice of the 4-H Club Office up to $100 for horticulture projects for 1947 competition. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the 4-H committee be instructed to look into the possibility of reestablishing a 4-H Fruit Project for 1947. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mr. Benitt reported that the sentiment expressed during an informal discussion of the date of the annual meeting by the directors of the Minnesota Fruit Grower's Association was as follows:

1. It is felt that the early date of the meeting this year resulted in a very satisfactory show.

2. Any date in September is too early for the preparation of fruit exhibits representative of the fruit growing industry of the state.

3. The advantages of a date early enough to make possible large showings of ornamentals outweighs the disadvantage of the smaller showing of fruit which this early show must necessarily contain.

4. In view of these facts the Minnesota Fruit Grower's Association gladly concurs in any decision the Minnesota State Horticultural Society may make regarding the continuance of an early annual meeting date.

Mr. Fischer moved that the 1947 annual meeting and show be held between the second Tuesday in September and the 25th of September, the definite time to be decided by the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that a banquet be held in connection with the annual meeting in 1947. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the appointing of the auditing committee be referred to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the appointing of the Fruit Farm Visiting Committee be deferred to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that Mr. Alderman and Mr. Pederson be appointed to serve again as alternates on the Executive ~~Board~~ Committee. Seconded by Helen Fischer. Carried.

Ralph Bachman suggested that prize money for commercial flower growers be left off the premium list in planning for the next annual show.

Mr. Fischer moved that the place of holding our next annual show be deferred to the next board meeting and that the officers be instructed to contact the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis with the possibility of holding the show there. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Carried.

Helen Fischer moved that the Lowry Hotel be paid $7.50 for janitor service. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Mr. Hunt be re-employed for the next two years beginning January 1. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that the Executive Committee appoint a committee to cooperate with the Superintendent of Horticulture Exhibits at the State Fair. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that the system of plant membership premiums be changed to require the prospective member to request a premium, if one is desired, at time membership fee is paid. Seconded by Mrs. Steece. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that a notice regarding the change in premium system together with a 1947 request card be sent to all active life members and to all annual and term members whose 1947 membership fees have been received.

Mrs. Nicholson moved to table the question of increasing the amount of the Life Membership fee. Seconded and carried.

Harold Pederson moved that a letter of thanks be sent to Cortis Rice and the Reddy Kilowatt singers for their excellent contribution to the Banquet Program. Seconded by Mrs. Straves. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that a similar letter be sent to Edward Flinn for his entertaining and instructive lecture. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that these letters be sent in behalf of the Executive Board. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved to adjourn. Seconded and Carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 P.M.

A. E. Hutchins
President

E. W. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, January 15, 1947
Saint Paul Hotel, Saint Paul

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

Members present: A. E. Hutchins, O. A. Bandelin, Louis R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Mrs. J. J. McCann, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, C. S. McReynolds, Mrs. E. J. Weschcke, H. O. Winter, William A. Benitt, Emil H. Picha, S. C. Schenck, Mrs. A. M. Steece, E. M. Hunt, William F. Paulson who represented the Reddy Kilowatt Garden Club, and Roy Brand who represented the South St. Paul Garden Club.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held September 23, 1946, were read by the Secretary.

Mr. Alderman moved that the words "Executive Board" be changed to "Executive Committee" in the motion regarding the appointing of alternates so that the motion would read, that Mr. Alderman and Mr. Pederson be appointed to serve again as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded and Carried.

The minutes as corrected were approved.

Mr. Hunt summarized the work which had been done by the Legislative Committee and reported on the meetings with the House Appropriations and the Senate Finance Committees.

Dr. Hutchins read the minutes of the 4-H Club Committee meeting which was held on January 13, 1946. The following recommendations were made by this committee:

1. That the traditional award consisting of a $10. set of horticultural books given each year to the state champion gardener be discontinued.

2. That an award consisting of a one-year membership in the Minnesota State Horticultural Society be presented to the "Champion County 4-H Horticulturist" in each county; the champion in each county to be picked by the county Extension staff.

3. That the above awards be made at the County 4-H achievement day and that they be presented along with special 4-H award certificates to be prepared by the Society.

4. That an award consisting of one horticultural book be given the Grand Champion Exhibitor in horticulture at the State Fair in each of the projects --- Fruit, Home Beautification, Family Garden, and Potato; the book to deal with the phase of horticulture in which the champion was the winner.

Mr. Dunn moved that the report be accepted and the recommendations as made by the committee be carried out. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the question of increasing the amount of the life membership fee be taken from the table. Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the life membership fee be set at $25.00. Mr. Benitt moved that this motion be amended to read that the increase be made effective on the date of the mailing of the next issue of the "Minnesota Horticulturist". The motion as amended was seconded by Mr. Pederson. Motion carried. (NOTE: A notice of the change in the amount of the fee which appeared in the February 1947 issue of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" stipulated February 10, as the effective date.)

Mr. Alderman moved that all life membership fees received by the secretary be deposited in the Life Membership Fund. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the society has received an invitation from the First National Bank of Saint Paul to hold the 1947 annual show at that bank and that he has contacted the management of both the Curtis Hotel and the Northwestern Bank of Minneapolis and has been assured of the cooperation of these two organizations in the event the Society wished to hold the annual convention in Minneapolis sometime between the dates of the second Tuesday and the 25th of September.

Mr. Dunn moved that the date and place of holding the annual meeting be left to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that an adequate number of 1945 - 1946 issues of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" be bound. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

The matter of general Society finances was discussed at some length. The discussion centered on the necessity of increasing Society income or curtailing disbursements in the near future when Society reserves will be exhausted. The possibility of increasing membership dues, and, the possibility of discontinuing membership premiums was among the subjects discussed. No action in regard to these was taken.

At 11:20 P.M., Mr. Fischer moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded and Carried.

A. E. Hutchins
President

Ed M. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 11, 1947
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Hutchins.

Members present: A. E. Hutchins, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, W. H. Alderman, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Carl B. Stravs, Louis R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, Mrs. J. J. McCann, Kenneth B. Law, Mrs. E. J. Weschcke, Joseph Bilski, Mrs. J. L. Bollman, Mrs. Axel R. Hansen, William F. Paulson who represented the Reddy Kilowatt Garden Club, and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held January 15, 1947, were read by the Secretary. These were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt reported on the work of the Special Awards Committee and mentioned the large number of applications which had been received. He then gave a brief summary of the qualifications of each of the candidates recommended by the Committee for a special award.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Law moved that the Award Committee report be endorsed and that the recommendations made by this committee be approved. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947.

Mr. Fischer moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt read the minutes of the Policy and Budget Committee meeting which was held June 17, 1947. This report pointed out that the budget proposed by this committee at its previous meeting (Sept. 13, 1946) was inadequate to meet the rising costs of operation as the annual appropriation voted by the legislature was only $6,100 instead of the expected $7,880, and that based on present costs and operation policies the deficit of $3,251 for the year 1946-47 and an expected deficit of $2,651 for the year 1947-48 would completely exhaust all usable reserves. Recommendations of the Policy and Budget Committee presented to the executive board were as follows:

1. That the Society discontinue the distribution of membership premiums.

2. That membership fees be increased according to the following schedule, the increased fees to become effective at the earliest feasible time following proper announcement of such increases:

a.	Affiliated membership	$ .75
b.	Annual membership (regular)	1.50
c.	Five-year term membership	5.00

(Three-year term membership to be discontinued. Life membership to remain $25.00)

3. That Mr. Hunt's salary be increased to $4,800 per annum, and that Miss Tracy's salary be increased to $2,400 per annum; such increased salary rates to become effective October 1, 1947.

4. That the attached budget be adopted for the fiscal years 1947-48 and 1948-49.

Mr. Fischer moved that the Society discontinue the distribution of membership premiums. Seconded by Mr. Law. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that item (c) in the second recommendation be changed to read: Four-year term membership for $5.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that recommendation No. 2 in regard to increases in membership fees be approved as amended in the preceding motion. Seconded by Mrs. Bollman. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that recommendation No. 3 in regard to salary increases be approved. Seconded by Mr. Law. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the budget for the fiscal year 1947-48 as recommended by the policy and budget committee be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Law. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the polls at the 1947 annual meeting be open for the following hours: Monday, 4 to 6 P.M. and Tuesday 9 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that a one year membership to the MinnesotaState Horticultural Society be given along with the horticultural books awarded to Champion 4-H Exhibitors in horticulture at the State Fair in each of the projects --- Fruit, Home Beautification, Family Garden, and Potato. Motion seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

At 11:30 the President entertained a motion to adjourn.

A. E. Hutchins
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

SPENDING PLAN FOR THE BIENNIUM July 1947 to July 1949

	Society	State	Total	Society		State		Total	
	1946 - 1947			1947-48	1948-49	1947-48	1948-49	1947-48	1948-49
Salaries									
Secretary	1,900.08	1,999.92	3,900.00	2,600.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,600.00	4,800.00
Clerk	150.00	1,800.00	1,950.00	300.00	400.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,300.00	2,400.00
Temporary help	1,031.28	779.95	1,811.23	72.00	195.00	1,356.00	1,356.00	1,428.00	1,551.00
Travel - Sec.	79.17	130.30	209.47	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	300.00	300.00
Executive Board	282.37		282.37	285.00	285.00			285.00	285.00
Printing & Engraving	4,078.22	155.30	4,233.52	4,600.00	4,600.00			4,600.00	4,600.00
Premiums	930.97	186.50	1,117.47						
Postage	209.67	306.40	516.07	120.00	120.00	400.00	400.00	520.00	520.00
Equipment	657.41		657.41	250.00	250.00			250.00	250.00
Office Supplies	47.15	136.37	183.52	6.00	6.00	194.00	194.00	200.00	200.00
Annual Convention	900.37		900.37	900.00	900.00			900.00	900.00
Poison Bait	304.30		304.30	300.00	300.00			300.00	300.00
Miscellaneous	238.20		238.20	250.00	250.00			250.00	250.00
Total	10,809.19	5,494.74	16,303.93	9,833.00	10,256.00	6,100.00	6,100.00	15,933.00	16,356.00

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

(to) Mrs. John S. Taylor - St. Paul, Minnesota

(for) Many years of outstanding leadership, encouragement and assistance to gardeners, garden clubs and the State Society.

(to) Gunnar W. Peterson - Virginia, Minnesota

(for) A lifetime spent in creating, encouraging and advancing horticulture in the North Country.

AWARD OF MERIT

To K. F. Speelman - International Falls

For Leadership in, and demonstration of community improvement through horticultural planting.

To Gilbert Golla - Grand Rapids

For Leadership in garden club organization and support of gardening programs.

To Mrs. August Neubauer -- Virginia

For Constant promotion of, and participation in gardening programs.

To Mrs. Arthur E. Linder - Warroad

For Outstanding garden club leadership

To John Westrum

For Leadership in orchard improvement work

To Mrs. William Maurer - Clarkfield

For Generous effort in the organization and support of gardening work

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To Mrs. Thomas C. Roberts - Minneapolis

For Inspiration and assistance in beautifying homes in the University Village student veterans' housing project

AWARD OF MERIT

To Mrs. Edward W. Anderson - Newfolden

For Encouragement of, and outstanding participation in community garden club projects

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To Dr. Ludwig Lima - Montevideo

For Community leadership in the promotion of park development and horticultural plantings.

To Dr. R. A. Beise - Brainerd

For Leadership in park development and community horticultural improvement.

To Mrs. Victor Troolin - Sandstone

For Untiring effort in the organization and promotion o f garden club work.

Executive Board Meeting, September 16, 1947
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Bandelin.

Members present: O.A. Bandelin, Kenneth B. Law, A.E. Hutchins, W.H. Alderman, Benjamin F. Dunn, Louis R. Fischer, Harold Pederson, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Helen Fischer, Mrs. E.J. Weschcke, Mrs. Bertha Cox, William A. Benitt, Mrs.Roy Wherland, Mrs. A. R. Decker, Mrs. Walter Ludlow, Mrs. Mildred S. Fliehr, C. E. Skinner, E.R. Olson, and E.M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held August 11, 1947, were read by the Secretary. These were approved as read.

The report of the Auditing Committee was given by Mr. Alderman. Mr. Law moved to accept the report of the Auditing Committee. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Executive Committee should consist of President Bandelin, Vice President Law, and Secretary-Treasurer Hunt, and that A.E. Hutchins and L.R. Fischer serve as alternates on this committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to appoint the Auditing Committee and the Fruit Farm Visiting Committee. Seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that the Executive Board authorize the new president, O.A. Bandelin to sign all necessary checks of the Society. Seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mrs. McCann moved that letters of thanks be sent in behalf of the Executive Board to such persons as the secretary deems have contributed to the making of the show and meetings a success. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Pederson moved that the Society invest another $10.00 for 1948 membership in "United Horticulture." Seconded by Mr. Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that we accept the Hibbing Garden Club invitation for the State Horticultural Society to hold its 1948 Annual Convention at Hibbing and that the meetings be held upon such date as the Executive Committee and the Hibbing people may decide. Seconded by Mr. Olson. Motion Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that the question of what kind of an exhibit and whether or not any exhibit should be held in connection with the 1948 annual meetings should be left to the discretion of the Executive Committee and the Hibbing Garden Club. Seconded by Mrs. Decker. Carried.

Mr. Fischer moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the out-going President. Seconded. Carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Alderman the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

O.A. Bandelin
President

E.M. Hunt
Secretary

Mr. Alderman moved that the Executive Board approve a definite retirement age comparable to that of other state employees in the event that it is not automatically set up by a retirement provision. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the committee, appointed to investigate the retirement fund and retirement age, also be asked to frame any amendments to the By-Laws necessary thereto. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

At an Executive Committee Meeting which met at 4:30 P.M., March 24, the following members were appointed to serve on the Retirement Fund Committee: A. E. Hutchins, T. L. Aamodt, and W. H. Alderman.

Mr. Leidel thanked the Executive Board for the flowers sent to his family at the time of his son's funeral.

Mr. Dunn moved to reconsider the question regarding the date for the next annual meeting and show. Seconded by Dr. Wilcox. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved to set the date for our annual meeting and show during the first three weeks of October. Seconded by Mrs. Stravs. Motion carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that the annual show be held in connection with the annual meeting. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Northwestern National Bank offer be accepted unless a comparable offer of financial assistance is received from the First National Bank of St. Paul.

Dr. Wilcox moved that we recommend to the Awards Committee that they present their recommendations for awards to the Executive Board a sufficient time in advance of the annual meeting so the certificates and medals can be prepared and ready for presentation at the annual meeting. Seconded and Carried.

Dr. Wilcox moved that the question of appointing alternates to the Executive Committee be taken from the table. Seconded. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that the Executive Board appoint a permanent member to the Executive Committee to serve until such time as we have a permanent Secretary-Treasurer. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that Dr. Wilcox be appointed as the permanent member of the Executive Committee until such time as a permanent Secretary-Treasurer is elected. Seconded. Carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that Mr. Alderman and Mr. Fischer be appointed as alternates to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Schletty. Carried.

Dr. Dunn moved that the Executive Board send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Sando and Herschel. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins.

At 8:05 P.M., Dr. Wilcox moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

Policy Committee Meeting

1:00 P.M. March 22, 1944
Library, Division of Horticulture

Called to Order, Ben. Dunn, Chairman

Present

Benjamin Dunn
W. H. Alderman
T. L. Aamodt
Mrs. Verl Nicholson
Louis Fischer
A. E. Hutchins

Motion - Mrs. Nicholson
Second - Mr. Alderman

Policy committee recommends that Exec. Board consider the advisability of investigation of retirement provision for Sec.-Treas. and that a committee be appointed to take necessary steps and consumate same if possible.

Passed unanimously

Motion - Mr. Alderman
Second - Mrs. Nicholson

Policy committee recommends to Exec. Board that they approve of a definite retirement age in the event that that is not setup automatically by retirement insurance.

Passed unanimously

Note -- May require amendment to by-laws.

2:00 P.M.

Motion Adjourn - T. Aamodt
Second - Mrs. Nicholson

Passed Unanimously

A. E. Hutchins
A. E. Hutchins
Acting Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, September 20, 1948
Y. W. C. A., Saint Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: O. A. Bandelin, A. E. Hutchins, W. H. Alderman, Harold Pederson, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Helen Fischer, Louis R. Fischer, Benjamin F. Dunn, C. G. Langley, Joseph Bilski, Mrs. Stanley Lund, John Ahlf, Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, Dr. Kenneth Britzius, Wm. A. Benitt, Dana Rogers, Roy J. Heidelberger, and E. M. Hunt.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 16, 1947 were read by the secretary. These were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read the report of the Policy and Budget Committee meeting which was held August 30, 1948. In this report the Policy and Budget Committee submitted the following recommendations for board action:

(1) That salary increases for Society employees be made October 1, as follows:

E. M. Hunt, Secretary.....	$200 per annum
Ruth Tracy, Principal clerk.....	100 per annum
Frances Reis, Clerk-typist.....	75 per annum

(2) That the attached budget for the biennium 1949-51 be adopted.

(3) That the Minnesota State Horticultural Society request an annual state appropriation of $8,750 for the biennium 1949-51.

Considerable discussion was heard concerning all these points. Mr. Heidelberger moved that the report of the Budget and Policy Committee be accepted. Seconded by Dr. Britzius. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nicholson, chairman of the Special Awards Committee, asked the secretary to read the recommendations of the committee. Mr. Hunt then read the list of candidates recommendated by the committee for a special award and gave a brief summary of the qualifications of each.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Dunn moved that these awards be conferred. Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Motion carried.

Dr. Britius moved to accept the report of the Awards Committee. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on the progress of arrangements for the annual meeting to be held at Hibbing on October 11 and 12. He reported that the host organization, the West Mesaba Horticultural Society, was doing an excellent job in obtaining facilities and making local arrangements for the meeting. Program features were briefly discussed and it was explained that the Eighth District Society, the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association, and the Minnesota Beekeepers Association will cooperate with the Society in presenting the program and in providing exhibits.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Society had been requested to consider the possibility of recognizing the outstanding Future Farmers enrolled in horticulture projects at the State F.F.A. Convention held at University Farm, May 17, 18, 19. After discussing this request with the Executive Committee members and with their approval, awards were presented to the ten outstanding contestants in the Farmstead Beautification project and also to the ten outstanding contestants in the Fruit and Vegetable project. These awards consisted of a 1949 membership in the State Horticultural Society to each of the twenty boys. Mr. Hunt requested that the Executive Board rule whether or not such F.F.A. awards are to be made in the future.

Mr. Dunn moved that such awards be given each year but that an investigation be made as to the number of awards actually needed and on the basis of this the Executive Committee instruct the secretary as to the number of awards to be made each year. Mr. Heidelberger seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that we discontinue our membership in "United Horticulture". Seconded by Mrs. Nicholson. Carried.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. E. J. Delarue, Central Regional Director of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, requesting assistance in organizing a State Federation of Garden Clubs in Minnesota. The secretary reported he had replied to the letter stating that the Society at present is not in a position to give such assistance but that the matter would be presented to the Executive Board. The matter was discussed briefly but no action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

O. G. Bardelin
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Proposed Spending Plan Society and State Funds

for each year of the Biennium July 1949 to July 1951

(Based on requested $8,750 State Appropriation)

	Actual Total 1947-1948	Proposed yearly expenditures Society	State	Total
Salaries				
Secretary	4,600.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	5,000.00
Principal Clerk	2,300.00		2,500.00	2,500.00
Clerk-typist	1,428.36		1,645.44	1,645.44
Retirement Assessment	53.21	55.00		55.00
Speakers	73.30	150.00		150.00
Travel and hotel				
Secretary	136.50		500.00	500.00
Executive Board	148.48	295.00		295.00
Printing				
Magazine	4,731.88	5,400.00		5,400.00
Miscellaneous	257.02	100.00	270.00	370.00
Pink Folder	448.47	450.00		450.00
Premiums, "1947"	150.00			
Postage	543.54		600.00	600.00
Office Supplies	206.73		500.00	500.00
Equipment			235.00	235.00
Magazines and books	40.09	75.00		75.00
Telephone	9.80	10.00		10.00
Insurance	77.08	78.00		78.00
Poisoned Bait	72.85	100.00		100.00
Refunds	20.05	20.00		20.00
Exchange	11.98	10.00		10.00
Miscellaneous	30.10	30.00		30.00
Annual Convention				
Show	377.70	100.00		100.00
Meeting	57.30	200.00		200.00
Banquet	395.25	200.00		200.00
Bound Volumes		65.00		65.00
	16,169.69	9,838.00	8,750.44	18,588.44

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

Bronze Medal

To William Frederick Kohagen
For Encouraging the study, appreciation and preservation of Minnesota's wild flowers.

To William F. Haenke
For Achievement, leadership and untiring efforts in developing Northern Minnesota's seed potato industry.

Award of Merit

To Mrs. Charles J. Heath
For Inspiring leadership in gardening and garden club work.

To Mrs. Ben Brunette
For Outstanding gardening leadership and unselfish service to her community.

To Mrs. Edwin Wammer
For Achievement in gardening and community service.

To William H. Boyle
For Outstanding service in gardening and garden club work.

To Mrs. Arthur W. Bibbins
For Leadership in gardening and garden club work.

To Matt Jaasko
For Tireless effort in the promotion of gardening in his community.

To Primo Benedetti
For Leadership and community service in gardening.

To Mrs. E. L. Everett
For Outstanding work in the promotion of gardening.

To Mrs. Theodore H. Witte
For Leadership in garden club work.

To Mrs. Louis Johnson
For Leadership in garden club work.

To G. H. Jacobus
For Achievement in gardening and the culture of roses.

To Mrs. A. N. Kohr
For Leadership in gardening and community service.

To Edward Hatch
For Promotion of, and achievement in the culture of roses.

To Mrs. Claude J. Whitney
For Leadership in garden club organization.

To Carl Pfaender
For Outstanding community service and promotion of improved horticultural practices.

Executive Board Meeting, October 12, 1948
Androy Hotel, Hibbing, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M.

Members present: O.A. Bandelin, A.E. Hutchins, Dana Rogers, K.F. Speelman, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Wm. Benitt, Mrs. George Kokko, Mrs. W.A. Swanman, Mrs. Mildred Fliehr, and E.M. Hunt.
Others present were: C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers Association; George Nelson, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Harold Naros, representing the Minnesota Gladiolus Society; Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Rochester Garden Flower Society; and Mrs. A. W. Tenhoff, representing the Second District.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 20, 1948, were read by the secretary. Mr. Benitt moved that the minutes be accepted as a report of the last Executive Board meeting, but not as a ratification of the action taken at that meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was given by Dr. Hutchins who stated that the records were correct to the best of his knowledge.

Mr. Dunn moved that the secretary be authorized to send letters of thanks in behalf of the Executive Board to those who have contributed to making the meetings a success. Motion seconded and carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that hotel management and speakers be included in the previous motion. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. McCann moved that letters of appreciation be sent to Mr. Walter Nelson and Gunnar Peterson for staging the flower exhibit from the Olcott Park Greenhouses. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Executive Board go on record as extending a rising vote of thanks to the host organization, the West Mesaba Horticultural Society, for its hospitality and efforts in making the annual meetings a success. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Nelson moved that tips for the services of the hotel bell boys be handled in the customary manner. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt read a letter received from Mrs. Wm. H. Bergeman of Brainerd pointing out the advantages of that city as a location for the annual meeting and, in behalf of the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society, inviting the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its 1949 annual meeting in Brainerd.

Mr. Floyd moved that we accept the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society's invitation for the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its 1949 annual convention at Brainerd. Seconded by Mrs. McCann. Motion carried.

Dr. Hutchins moved that the 1949 annual convention be held upon such date as the Executive Committee and the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society may decide. Motion seconded and carried.

The secretary brought to the attention of the group a request that the State Horticultural Society cooperate with the Men's Garden Clubs of Minneapolis and Saint Paul in staging the National Convention of Men's Garden Clubs in the Twin Cities, August 22-26, 1949. These groups suggested that the State Horticultural Society might wish to stage a horticultural show in Minneapolis at that time. After discussion of the matter the following motion was put: Mr. Nelson moved that the secretary write to the Men's Garden Club of Minneapolis advising them that because of previous commitments it will not be feasible for this organization to stage a horticultural show in the Twin Cities on the dates of August 22-26, 1949; but that this organization will be pleased to cooperate in any manner within its means in assisting with plans for the National Convention of Men's Garden Clubs to be held in the Twin Cities on those dates. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Several members expressed the opinion that perhaps certain policies and operational procedures now followed by the society need examination and changing in the best interest of members and the horticulture of the state. Considerable discussion was heard having a bearing on the activities, management and financial status of the Society.

Mr. Speelman moved that the Executive Board appoint a committee to analyze, study, and recommend changes necessary to revamp the Society. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that the budget be reconsidered in view of our present financial condition. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Speelman moved that we accept the proposed budget estimates for the biennium July 1949-51. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Speelman moved that the executive secretary be instructed to submit budget estimates for the biennium July 1949-51 to the State Budget Commissioner, State of Minnesota for his consideration. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that all salary schedules after October 15, 1948, revert to the salary rate in effect September 30, 1948. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that E. M. Hunt be reappointed secretary-treasurer for the next two years. Seconded by Dr. Hutchins. Carried.

President Bandelin appointed the following to serve on the committee to analyze, study, and recommend changes necessary to revamp the Society: K.F. Speelman, Chairman, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Wm. Benitt, A.E. Hutchins, W.H. Alderman, Kenneth Law, and Dr. K.E. Britzius.

Mr. Speelman moved that the President be empowered to appoint the alternate members of the Executive Committee. Motion seconded and carried. The president then appointed A.E. Hutchins and Wm. Benitt to serve as alternates.

Mr. Benitt moved that the chairman appoint the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee and the Auditing Committee. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. McCann who was the general arrangements chairman for the 1948 Annual Convention discussed some of the difficulties in staging a convention and the following are some of the suggestions offered:

1. The planning of the program and the securing of speakers should be done by the executive board through the office of the executive secretary.

2. The State Horticultural Society and its work should be given more publicity.

3. The program should be sent to every affiliated club president in Minnesota several weeks in advance of the meeting date and the program should be published in every state paper.

4. The main speakers should be scheduled for the first day and if necessary the meeting should be started at a later hour in order to secure better attendance at the beginning of the meetings.

5. The reports of officers and standing committees would be better on the second day of the meetings.

6. The local host club should make arrangements for the meeting place, decorations, banquet entertainment, and should help decide on the type of show to be held in connection with the meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 P.M.

O. A Bardelin
President

Ed M Hunt
Secretary

MINUTES --- Executive Board Meeting
Minnesota State Horticultural Society
Van's Cafe, Brainerd April 2, 1949

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 P.M. In the absence of President Bandelin, Vice-president Harold Pederson presided.

Present were: Mr. Alderman, Mr. Speelman, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Rogers, Mrs. Rogers, Mr. Benitt, Mrs. Swanman, Mr. Hutchins, and Mr. Hunt. The following representatives of the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society were also present: Mrs. R. N. Anderson, Mrs. H. S. Paine, Mrs. Wm. Bergeman, Mrs. F. A. Jensen, and Mrs. Fred Anderson.

The minutes of the executive board meeting held October 12, 1948, at Hibbing were read and approved.

The chairman called for suggestions for cooperating with the Men's Garden Clubs of Minneapolis and St. Paul in the staging of the national convention to be held in the Twin Cities, August 22-26, 1949.

Discussion which followed reaffirmed this board's previous decision that it would not be feasible for the State Society to stage an exhibition at that time, but that assistance in any possible manner would be desirable.

Mrs. Nicholson inquired if it would be possible to authorize the awarding of a Society Bronze medal to an outstanding member of the national Men's clubs, to be presented in behalf of the Society during the convention.

After brief discussion it was moved: That the Minnesota State Horticultural Society award a bronze medal to an outstanding individual residing outside of Minnesota, such recipient to be selected by the Men's garden clubs of Minneapolis and St. Paul; the medal to be presented during the Men's Garden Club Convention, August 22-26, 1949, by the secretary of the State Society. Seconded, Carried.

The chairman called upon the secretary to review the situation in regard to the Society's request for state funds.

Mr. Hunt reported that the legislature had not yet passed the appropriations bill for semi-state activities in which group the Society's fund would be included.

He reported excellent work on the part of Mr. Aamodt's legislative committee, and also reported that unusually fine cooperation had been received from the State Nurserymen's Association, the district societies, and many individual clubs and members.

Mrs. Nicholson reported that from her discussions with certain legislators it appears that the annual appropriation will be $7000 or $7500, these two amounts have been approved by the House and Senate committees, respectively.

The secretary was asked to explain a proposal which the Society had received in regard to the disposition of certain Society records and properties.

The secretary then read a letter from the State Historical Society requesting that correspondence, notebooks, and other historical materials (all enumerated in the letter) be transferred to the Historical Society through release to the Archives Commission. It was reported that these records are not currently used by the Society, are a storage problem, and that the Historical Society had made an examination to ascertain their historical value.

Professor Alderman recommended that the request of the Historical Society be granted with the possible exception of the book "Silva" which he suggested might be more appropriately placed in the Agricultural library at University Farm if that library indicates a desire to acquire it.

After brief discussion it was moved: That the secretary be empowered to make the necessary arrangements for the transfer of the items listed in the Historical Society's letter of February 23, 1949, except the book "Silva", to the Historical Society. Seconded, Carried.

The secretary reported the receipt of a letter from State 4-H Club leader, A. J. Kittleson suggesting that the basis for making the 4-H Club potato award be changed.

It was moved: That the Society's 4-H award in the potato project be awarded in the future to the 4-H potato champion as designated by the State 4-H office. Seconded, Carried.

The secretary solicited opinions in regard to the use of leaflets advertising the Society, to be printed by the Society and mailed with Minnesota nursery catalogs.

A motion was made, seconded and carried: That the secretary be instructed to find out how many nursery firms would be willing to include such printed matter in their catalogs, how many leaflets would be required, the approximate cost; the information to be presented to the board at a future meeting.

The chairman requested Mrs. Anderson, president of the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society, to report the plans, ideas, and suggestions of her group in regard to the 1949 annual meeting.

Mrs. Anderson stated that her committee had already been active in determining the available facilities and called upon individual members of her committee to discuss their findings.

It was stated that the high school cafeteria would be a possible location for the meetings and would be available for two days use at a rental of $35.

A motion was made, seconded, and duly carried that: The Society authorize the payment of $35 rental charge for the use of the Brainerd High School cafeteria in the event that location is selected for the annual meeting.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried that: The date and place of the meeting be left to the local committee. After further discussion the Brainerd delegation recommended that the dates of September 26 and 27 be selected.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried that: The annual meeting of the Society be held on September 26 and 27, 1949.

The chair called for suggestions in regard to the nature of the program to be presented at the annual meeting.

Lengthy discussion followed in regard to desirable program items.

Mr. Speelman, speaking as chairman of the Organization Advisory Committee, gave a resume of the findings of his committee and stated that in his opinion the nature of the program should be given careful consideration since the effectiveness of the annual meeting has a direct bearing on the future success or failure of the organization.

Further discussion brought out the suggestion that the local group determine what kind of program would most benefit their community and then meet with the secretary to draft a program, the executive committee to make the final decisions.

The motion was made that: The local committee prepare a program outline and submit it to Mr. Hunt by May 1. Seconded, and carried.

The motion was made, seconded and carried, that: The local committee make decisions as to what type of exhibits they wish at the convention and make their wishes known to the respective groups concerned.

Mr. Benitt requested that discussion be heard concerning the progress of district organization.

The secretary briefly reviewed the present status of district organization, reporting that some progress has been made toward initiating district activity in districts 1 and 7.

Mr. Rogers reported that the Rochester club has indicated its willingness to aid in the organization of district 1, but that additional ideas and assistance are needed.

The motion was made, seconded and carried, that: The Society authorize the expenditure of funds up to $50 per district for expenses incident to helping districts organize.

The motion was made, seconded and carried that: This group express its appreciation for the work already done by the delegates of the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society in connection with the annual meeting.

Adjourned .... 11:30 P.M.

Harold Pederson, Vice-president

E. M. Hunt, Secretary

NOTE: A Bronze Medal was awarded to Mr. C. Eugene Pfister, Mundelein, Illinois, for "Inspirational service to amateur gardeners, at the Men's Garden Clubs of America Convention at Minneapolis, August 25, 1949.

Executive Board Meeting, August 17, 1949
Hasty Tasty Cafe, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Bandelin.

Board members present: O.A. Bandelin, William A. Benitt, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Helen Fischer, Ralph Bachman, Dana Rogers, W.H. Alderman, George H. Olson, Kenneth B. Law, C.H. Rose, Mrs. C.T. Hagen, and E.M. Hunt.
Others present were: C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers Association; J.D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Rochester Garden Flower Society.

The minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held April 2, 1949, at Brainerd were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949.

Mr. Olson moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Motion seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mr. Dunn inquired about the method being used to determine the number of living life members. After a brief discussion it was suggested that in addition to the previous methods employed, that the regular letter mailed to the last known address of each life member be a registered letter with answer requested, these registered letters to be sent at about five year intervals.

Mr. Law moved that should the need arise the President and Secretary be authorized to borrow under obligation of the Society an amount not to exceed $500 for the purpose of meeting the needs of the Society. Seconded by Mr. Floyd. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the secretary be authorized to receive six cents per mile compensation for use of this personal car for travel on Society business. Seconded by Mr. Law. Carried.

The chairman requested the secretary to report on the plans for the program for the annual meeting. Mr. Hunt then pointed out some of the main features of the program as printed in the August issue of the Horticulturist. Mr. Bachman moved that the board approve the program as outlined in the magazine. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Hunt requested the opinion of the board regarding the hours for balloting on the election of officers. Mr. Winter moved to approve the balloting time as outlined in the August Horticulturist. Seconded and carried.

The secretary reported on the work of the Special Awards Committee and gave a brief summary of the qualifications of each of the candidates recommended by the Committee for a special award.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Law moved that the Award Committee report be endorsed and that the recommendations made by this committee be approved. Motion seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that investigation had been made as to the possibility of including Horticultural Society promotion matter in Minnesota Nursery catalogs. It was suggested that the possibility of enclosing separate printed slips regarding the Horticultural Society be further investigated.

Mr. Dunn moved that the secretary be authorized to spend up to $75.00 to print slips on Horticultural Society promotion matter to be inserted in Minnesota Nursery catalogs. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read a letter from Mr. Pyle, President of United Horticulture, urging the support of that organization by this society. The annual membership fee for state organizations is $25.

Mr. Dunn moved that a letter be written to Mr. Pyle informing him that the Society is financially unable at the present time to maintain membership in the American Horticultural Council, Inc. Seconded by Mr. Law. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that a nominating committee of three with two alternates, to be appointed by the President, be authorized to present a slate of officers at the next annual meeting. Mr. Law seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Rogers reported briefly on the progress of organization of the First District. Although nothing as yet had been accomplished in terms of an official First District Society, there was an indication of interest from several clubs in the area which may make it possible to complete the organization at a later date.

Mr. Winter suggested that it might be more feasible to organize areas on some basis other than congressional districts.

Mr. Dunn referred to the excellent progress that had been made by Dr. Snyder and his co-workers in connection with tree and shrub zoning.

At 10:30 P.M., Mr. Olson moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded and carried.

O. A. Bandelin
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

Bronze Medal

To Arthur Koerner (St. Paul Park)
For Origination, development and introduction of outstanding varieties of miniature gladioli.

Honorary Life Membership

To Mrs. F. S. Tisdale (Minneapolis)
For Leadership; and encouragement and assistance to gardeners, garden clubs and the State Horticultural Society.

To Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson (Duluth)
For Outstanding promotion of, and service to, horticultural organizations in Minnesota.

Award of Merit

To Mrs. R. C. Wells (Minneapolis)
For Leadership in garden club work.

To Oscar Sorby (Montevideo)
For Leadership and stimulation of gardening interest in youth groups.

To W. P. Scherer (Mankato)
For Promotion of gardening and leadership in community projects.

To Mrs. Emil Peterson (Middle River)
For Gardening acheivement and encouragement of gardening in her community.

To Mrs. E. C. Killmer (St. Paul)
For Many years of generous support of gardening and garden club work.

To Mrs. A. J. Johnston (Duluth)
For Leadership, and promotion of gardening in her community.

To Mrs. Axel Hansen (Richfield)
For Outstanding work in the organization and support of garden clubs.

To Mrs. R. W. Campbell (Cass Lake)
For Leadership in, and promotion of gardening.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bergstrom (Minneapolis)
For Inspiration and generous sharing of gardening achievement.

To A. P. Cardle (Brainerd)
For Achievement in gardening and support of gardening work.

To Eldred Buer (Canby)
For Promotion of, and leadership in gardening.

To Mrs. C. A. Nelson (Brainerd)
For Leadership in gardening and garden club work.

To Paul Widstrand (Hibbing)
For Encouragement of, and leadership in gardening and beekeeping.

To Archie H. Flack (Minneapolis)
For Outstanding studies pertaining to the adaptability of woody plants to Minnesota

NOTE: It is recommended that the executive board authorize the awarding of Mr. Flack's certificate during the national convention of Men's Garden Clubs in Minneapolis and St. Paul, (August 22-26). (This award was made August 25, 1949)

NOTE: A Bronze Medal was awarded to Mr. C. Eugene Pfister, Mundelein, Illinois, for "Inspirational service to amateur gardeners", at the Men's Garden Clubs of America Convention at Minneapolis, August 25, 1949, by authority given by Executive Board at its meeting at Brainerd, April 2, 1949.

Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 27, 1949
Ransford Hotel, Brainerd

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. By President Pederson.

Board members present: Harold Pederson, Kenneth Law, Helen Fischer, K.F. Speelman, Dana Rogers, Mrs. J.J. McCann, O.A. Bandelin, W.H. Alderman, Mrs. W.A. Swanman, Mrs. R.N. Anderson, Mrs. A.W. Tenhoff, W.L. Laurie, and E.M. Hunt.
Others present were: C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers Association; Mrs. Sprague Gee, representing the Minnesota Garden Flower Society; George Nelson, representing the Fruit Growers Association; Harold Stephens, representing the Minnesota Dahlia Society, and Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Rochester Garden Flower Society.

The minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held August 17, 1949, at the Hasty Tasty Cafe, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary. Mr. Law moved that the minutes be approved as read. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Hunt expressed his appreciation to the Brainerd group for their very splendid cooperation in making arrangements for the meeting and their long hours of work in carrying out the many details necessary in making the entire convention a huge success. He stated that it had been a real privilege to work with Mrs. Anderson and her group chairmen.

Mr. Alderman moved that the secretary be instructed to write a letter to the Crow Wing County Garden Flower Society expressing the gratitude of the state society for the fine cooperation that had been shown and compliment the members for their excellent work in making the arrangements for the meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the secretary be authorized to send letters of thanks in behalf of the Executive Board to those who have contributed to making the meetings a success. Motion seconded by Mr. Floyd. Carried.

The president called for the report of the Auditing Committee. Mr. Alderman read a statement reporting that the accounts of the Society had been examined and were found to be in apparent good order. Mr. Law moved to approve and accept the report as read. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

The report of the budget and Policy Committee was given by Mr. Law in the absence of the chairman, Mr. Aamodt. The report included a revised suggested spending plan for the fiscal year 1949-1950 in which certain changes anticipated in the receipts and disbursements of the society for the coming year were taken into consideration, and in which it was indicated that in the operations for the year receipts may exceed disbursements by approximately $400. Mr. Law moved to adopt the Budget report of the committee. Seconded by Helen Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that it be the concensus of this meeting that the work and accomplishments of the secretary's office be commended and that while the adjustment of salaries, to be consistant with those of the University and similar organizations for similar positions, might well be in order at this time, in view of the Society's present uncertain financial position, it is recommended that the question of salary increases be deferred until a later meeting of this board. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Mr. Speelman moved that Mr. Dunn and Mr. Benitt be appointed as auditors for the Fiscal Year 1949-50. Seconded and carried.

President Pederson pointed out that in accordance with the By-Laws of the Society it is the duty of the executive board to appoint an Executive Committee and a Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors' Committee.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Executive Committee consist of the president, vice president, and the secretary. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the board authorize the president to appoint two alternates to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

Mr. Dunn moved that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors' Committee, in addition to members appointed annually, contain a progressing-chairman group of three members to serve terms of three years, except that the original chairman member appointments be made as follows: one member for one year, one member for two years, and one member for three years. Seconded by Mr. Floyd. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to form a Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors' Committee in line with the instructions given in the previous motion. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

The President called for suggestions for the annual meeting for next year. A number of suggestions were made regarding improvements or additions which might be considered in planning the 1950 annual meeting. These suggestions have been recorded and filed in the secretary's office for the attention of the program and arrangements committees for 1950.

Mr. Rogers suggested that if the Society requires that a nominating committee to function each year, continuity in a long range program for the society should be considered when appointing a permanent nominating committee. Mr. Speelman added that the nominating committee should be a standing committee consisting of one member from each district, some members from the executive board, and some from outside of the executive board. Mr. Speelman moved that the appointing of a nominating committee be taken into consideration at the next board meeting. Seconded and Carried.

Mr. Speelman moved that the secretary be instructed to explore the possibility of holding the 1950 annual meeting in the Twin Cities. Seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the executive committee set the date for the next annual meeting. Seconded and carried.

At 10:00 P.M., Mr. Floyd moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded and carried.

Howard Pederson
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 20, 1949
Society Office, University Farm, St. Paul

President Pederson called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

Present were: W.H. Alderman, O.A. Bandelin, H.C. Pederson, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Dana Rogers, Mrs. Tenhoff, Kenneth Law, William Benitt, Helen Fischer, and E.M. Hunt.
Also present were: T.L. Aamodt, chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee; C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers Association; and J.D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association.

The minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of September 27, were approved as read.

President Pederson asked that the board consider a matter which had recently been approved by the Executive Committee. He asked Mr. Hunt to more fully explain this matter which related to office records and magazine mailing procedure and which proposed that a considerable investment be made in office equipment.

Mr. Hunt explained that at present the Society is spending approximately $396 per year for maintaining the magazine mailing list and the addressing of the magazines for mailing. He stated that the major part of this cash expenditure could be saved by the installation of automatic addressing equipment in the Society office. He estimated that the purchase cost of the equipment would be saved in a period of 4 or 5 years.

He further stated that the use of this equipment would result in a saving of time in the keeping of records sufficient to enable the present office staff to assume the additional work of addressing and mailing the magazines.

It was also pointed out that in considering bids for the printing of the magazine there would be a greater number of printers who could meet our requirements and therefore the Society would be in a position to enter into more favorable printing contracts, if such bids did not necessarily include addressing and mailing services.

Mr. Hunt stated that quotations on suitable addressing equipment and supplies had been obtained as follows:

Elliott Addressing Company	$1,012.20
Addressograph-Multigraph Company	1,608.50

Discussion followed concerning the advisability of purchasing addressing equipment at this time and concerning the relative merits of the equipment offered by the two firms.

Mr. Law moved that the secretary be authorized to purchase Addressograph equipment and supplies of a type, and in the amount to cost not more than $1,600.00. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that the president and secretary be authorized and instructed to cash United States Defense Bond, Series F (M 29012F), for a net yield of $874, and that this be applied toward the purchase of Addressograph equipment referred to in the preceeding motion, and that the remainder of the purchase cost be paid from current-year operating funds of the Society. Seconded, Carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that the secretary be instructed to solicit advice and suggestions from office equipment firm representatives, office managers, or others, regarding possible revision of office procedures. Seconded. Carried.

Discussion was heard regarding the printing of the "Horticulturist".

Mr. Alderman moved that the secretary, with the approval of the Executive Committee, be authorized to change printers. Seconded and Carried.

The time and place of the 1950 annual meeting was discussed. St. Paul appeared to be the favored place, and the suggestion that it be held in the middle of the week during the first half of October met with general favor. It was agreed that the matter of a definite date be left to the judgment of the Executive Committee after conferring with arrangement committees.

Discussion of the authorization of a nominating committee for 1950 was tabled.

The secretary reported briefly on a plan to insert Society promotional material in leaflet form in the catalogs of Minnesota nurseries.

Mr. Floyd moved that the secretary be authorized to go ahead with a card sales plan through affiliated societies as offered by the Barton-Cotton company. Seconded, Carried.

At 5:30 P.M. a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

Harold C. Pederson
H.C. Pederson, President

E.M. Hunt
E.M. Hunt, Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, March 23, 1950
University Farm Cafeteria, Saint Paul

President Pederson called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Present were: Harold Pederson, Kenneth Law, Helen Fischer, Dana Rogers, Wm. A. Benitt, O.A. Bandelin, W.H. Alderman, Clare Floyd, Mrs. Stanley Lund, Maxwell Sargent, Harold M. Stephens, F.D. Holmberg, W.R. Lawrie, John Ahlf, Mrs. Kermit A. Lee, Harold A. Christensen, and E.M. Hunt.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held November 20, 1949, at the Society Office, University Farm, were read by the Secretary. The chairman entertained a motion that the minutes stand approved as read. Seconded by Mrs. Lund. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin moved that Mr. Benitt, Mr. Dunn, and Mr. Alderman serve as Auditors. Seconded by Mr. Stephens. Carried.

The secretary reported that 100,000 membership application forms had been printed at a total cost of $235. and that 64,000 of these had been inserted in the catalogs of four of our Minnesota Nurseries and that another nursery had taken 30,000 of the forms which they intended to enclose with the planting instructions accompanying each sale of nursery stock. During the first six weeks after their distribution, $115 in membership fees had been received as a direct result of these forms. (This included 40 annual, 6 term, and one life membership)

Mr. Hunt reported that a preliminary investigation had been made regarding a place to hold the annual convention. The use of a large room for the meeting in any of the Twin City Hotels would cost $100 per day; however, if a banquet or a luncheon was held each day than there probably would be no charge. The cost would be the same for the meetings whether held in the Lowry or Saint Paul hotels in Saint Paul or the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis.

Mr. Law moved that the Society have a two day convention in one of the Twin-Cities with a luncheon the first day and a banquet on the second evening, and that a show be held in connection with the convention. After additional discussion Mr. Law withdrew his motion.

Mr. Benitt then moved that the meeting be held in one of the Twin-Cities with a program of the convention committee's own choosing and a show if the committee wants one and this show to be of such kind and type as the committee desires. Seconded by Mr. Bandelin. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on the cost of the new addressing equipment which had been recently purchased and installed in the Society office. He stated that the original cost of the equipment plus supplies for maintaining this equipment for a year amounted to $1,518. Of this amount $874 had been financed by a bond from the reserve funds and the remaining $644 had been paid from current year receipts. He further explained that the savings resulting from the use of this equipment in addressing and mailing the magazine would in three years amount to a sum large enough to replace the bond which had been cashed to meet the original cost.

Mr. Hunt gave a brief resume of the material which he had prepared for his report to the "Efficiency in Government Commission". This report contained a series of charts showing the organizational structure, activities, staff and finances of the Horticultural Society covering the past five years.

Mr. Pederson read a letter from Mr. Morrill who expressed his appreciation of the interest and cooperation of the Horticultural Society and the splendid suggestions made by the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee in their annual report. Mr. Alderman reported that as a follow-up of this report several University committees had investigated and made recommendations for repairs and additions to the physical equipment at the Fruit Breeding Farm. He said that a fund in the amount of $21,950 had been made available by the University for carrying out the recommendations of these investigating committees.

The President suggested that the Executive Committee consider the possibility of meeting with the Eighth District Society this year.

It was suggested that the next board meeting be held down town in one of the Twin Cities.

On motion the meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Harold Pederson E. W. Hunt

President Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 11, 1950
Saint Paul Hotel, St. Paul

President Pederson called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Board members present: Harold Pederson, Kenneth Law, Helen Fischer, Ralph Bachman, Dana Rogers, William A. Benitt, Mrs. J.J. McCann, O.A. Bandelin, W.H. Alderman, George H. Olson, Howard M. Englund, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Maxwell Sargent, F.D. Holmberg, Harold M. Stephens, H.R. Weyer, Mrs. Kermit A. Lee, Mrs. A.W. Tenhoff, W.R. Lawrie, and E.M. Hunt.

Others present were: T.L. Aamodt, chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee; and C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers' Association.

The minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held March 23, 1950, at the University Farm Cafeteria were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mrs. McCann, chairman of the Special Awards Committee, gave a brief summary of the qualifications of each of the candidates recommended by the committee for special award.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Stephens moved that the Award Committee report be accepted and that the recommendations made by this committee be approved. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion carried.

The chairman requested the secretary to report on the plans for the annual meeting. Mr. Hunt explained briefly the plans of the Promotion Committee to contact every affiliated garden club in the Twin City area to acquaint them with the nature of the annual meeting, to encourage attendance of members, to secure a promise from each club to provide at least one educational exhibit and to send two or more delegates to both the banquet and the luncheon. Mr. Hunt then gave a brief resume of the proposed program, and requested the opinion of the board regarding the hours for balloting on the election of officers.

Mr. Floyd moved to approve the balloting hours as 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. on September 28, and 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on September 29. Seconded by Mr. Bachman. Carried.

Mr. Alderman reported that all members of the Auditing Committee had not had an opportunity to audit the Society's books and that a more complete report would be given at a later date; however the State Public Examiner had just spent three weeks examining the books and although the official report had not as yet been received, he indicated that he had found the books in good order.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year June 30, 1949 to June 30, 1950.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Stephens. Motion carried.

Mr. Aamodt, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, presented a proposed budget for the fiscal year 1950-1951.

Mr. Alderman moved that the proposed budget as recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Law. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the tentative budget for the biennium 1951-53 be adopted for the purpose of preparing a biennial budget for State Administration Office and Legislative consideration. Seconded by Helen Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Law moved that a Budget and Policy Committee meeting and an Executive Board meeting be called just as soon as the legislative appropriation to the Society is known, in order to prepare a final budget for 1951-53. Seconded by Mr. Stephens. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported briefly on the progress of First District organization, stating that representatives from a few of the clubs in that area had met in a brief meeting following the Garden Institute program held in Austin on July 19, and had appointed a tentative president and secretary. A special meeting is to be held at Austin on August 19, and it is hoped that a sufficient representation from the garden clubs will be present to complete organization arrangements.

Mr. Law explained the purpose of the University Agricultural Advisory Council and the importance of having the delegates appointed with the view of serving for a number of years. Mr. Bandelin moved to renominate Mr. Hunt as a delegate to the University Agricultural Advisory Council. Seconded by Mr. Mr. Englund. Carried.

Mr. Bandelin moved to renominate Mr. Sargent as an alternate to serve on this Council. Mr. Sargent moved to nominate Mr. Benitt as an alternate. Mr. Benitt asked that his name be withdrawn and that the nominations cease. The motion renominating Mr. Sargent as an alternate was seconded and carried.

Mrs. McCann moved that a Nominating Committee for 1950 be appointed by the President. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Miss Fischer moved that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visiting Day be set for Saturday, September 30, the day following the Society annual meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that the secretary be authorized to accept advance payment of membership fees for any number of successive membership years at the annual rate. Seconded by Mr. Stevens. Carried.

Mr. Stephens moved that, as a sponsoring gesture to the WTCN Garden Television Program, the secretary be authorized to offer in any way he sees fit five Society annual memberships. After some discussion Mr. Stephens withdrew his motion and then moved that the secretary be authorized to offer memberships in the Society as prizes in the WTCN Garden Television Program. Seconded by Mr. Bandelin. Carried.

Mrs. Swanson moved to appoint three members to work out some plans or recommendations as how to handle the question of a judging school. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read a letter requesting that the Society supply a mailing list of the Society members to an advertising service company, and asked if the board wished to state its present policy in regard to the use of the membership list for such purposes. After a brief discussion the group agreed that there was no reason for changing the Society policy of refusing the use of the membership list for advertising at this time. Mrs. Swanson moved that action on this question be tabled. Motion seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Harold Pedersen
President

Ed W. Hunt
Secretary

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

BRONZE MEDAL

To Fred W. Braden - Route 3, Box 540, Duluth 3
For Distinctive service to the fruit industry of Northern Minnesota

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Harvey A. Ruehling - Belle Plaine
For Outstanding service in horticulture

To George E. Luxton - 138 Arthur Avenue S.E., Minneapolis
For Outstanding service in horticulture

AWARD OF MERIT

To W. S. Ash - St. Vincent
For Meritorious service in the promotion of gardening

To G. G. Cerney - 1927 East River Terrace, Minneapolis
For Leadership and meritorious service to horticulture

To Mrs. Peter Grant - Stephen
For Leadership in gardening and garden club work

To Mrs. J. F. Thompson - 529 Woodland Avenue, Duluth 5
For Leadership in gardening organization

To Torgils Utne - Madison
For Meritorious service in the promotion of horticulture

To Mrs. Walter Ludlow - 612 South Eighth Street, Brainerd
For Leadership in organized gardening work

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Proposed Spending Plan for 1950-51 and for the Coming Biennium, 1951-53

	Actual Total 1949-50	Total Proposed 1950-51	Total Proposed for each year 1951-52 & 1952-53 (Based on 8,750 State Appr.)
Salaries			
Secretary	4,800.00	5,000.00	5,500.00
Principal Clerk	2,400.00	2,600.00	2,800.00
Clerk-typist	1,509.39	1,775.00	2,200.00
Retirement assessment	48.00	50.00	50.00
Speakers (District)	87.35	150.00	150.00
Travel and hotel			
Secretary	229.73	400.00	500.00
Executive Board	235.34	250.00	250.00
Printing and binding			
Magazine	3,961.62	3,850.00	3,900.00
Miscellaneous	317.40	320.00	320.00
Postage	537.58	540.00	540.00
Magazines and books	38.95	80.00	80.00
Office Supplies	107.98	130.00	130.00
Office Equipment	1,483.59	280.00	230.00
Telephone	32.20	35.00	35.00
Insurance	77.11	100.00	100.00
Poison Bait	186.01	190.00	190.00
Exchange	14.54	15.00	15.00
Refunds (Overpayment fees)	60.25	61.00	61.00
Annual Convention			
Meeting	236.14	250.00	250.00
Banquet	34.00	34.00	34.00
Miscellaneous	229.15	230.00	230.00
	16,626.33	16,340.00	17,565.00

Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 29, 1950
Saint Paul Hotel, St. Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by President Pederson

Board members present were: Harold Pederson, W.H. Alderman, William A. Benitt, Helen Fischer, Dana Rogers, K.F. Speelman, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Mrs. Roy Wherland, O.A. Bandelin, J.D. Winter, Mrs. Oscar Ludvigsen, and E.M. Hunt.

Others present were: C.D. Floyd, representing the Minnesota Beekeepers' Association; Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Rochester Garden Club; Alfred Swanson, representing the Goodhue County Horticultural Society; and Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, representing the Eighth District Horticultural Society.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held August 11, 1950, at the Saint Paul Hotel were read by the secretary. The motion regarding the appointing of a Nominating Committee was corrected to read, "Moved that a Nominating Committee for 1950 be appointed by the president." Mr. Benitt moved that the minutes as corrected be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that Mr. Hunt be reelected as secretary-treasurer. Seconded by Mrs. Wherland. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the board.

For the benefit of the new board members, Mrs. Nicholson explained the background of the business in the office following Mr. Mackintosh's term as secretary.

Mr. Floyd moved that the secretary continue at the same salary, $5,000.00, until the first board meeting following the closing of the legislature; at which time the salary question be reopened. Motion seconded. Carried.

A discussion of the constitution ensued for the benefit of the new members. It was recommended that a copy of the constitution be sent to all board members.

Discussion arose as to whether or not it was necessary for the Executive Board to authorize the employment of specific clerical employees. Mrs. Nicholson moved that the secretary-treasurer be authorized to hire clerical help contingent on the funds made available by the budget committee. After further discussion Mrs. Nicholson withdrew her motion. Mr. Winter moved that the question be tabled. Seconded and carried.

The President explained that the Executive Committee had been composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two alternates. He asked that the board appoint two alternates. Mr. Speelman and Miss Fischer were appointed to serve as alternates by unanomous vote of the board.

The board then appointed Mr. Rogers and Mr. Alderman to serve on the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Pederson suggested that on the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee, Mr. Kline be appointed to serve as the 1951 chairman, Mr. Law as the 1952 chairman, and that the other members of the committee be Dixon Andrews and R.B. Graves. Mrs. Nicholson moved that the committee, as suggested by Mr. Pederson, be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried. Mr. Benitt moved that in case Mr. Law could not serve, the president be authorized to appoint another 1952 chairman, or other members to the committee.

Mr. Dunn moved that a letter be mailed to Mr. Loss as chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee expressing appreciation for the very fine work accomplished by his committee. Seconded and Carried.

Mrs. McCann moved that the nominating committee be made one of the standing committees of this organization and that it be composed of five members including at least one member from the Executive Board. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read a letter received from Mrs. Swanson in behalf of the Duluth Garden Flower Society inviting the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its 1951 annual convention in Duluth. Mr. Dunn moved that we accept the Duluth Garden Flower Society's invitation. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

Mrs. Nicholson suggested that if it is agreeable to the board that the annual meeting be held at the same time as the Duluth Fall Festival, which would be about the last week of September.

Mr. Floyd moved that, in addition to the regular "Thank You" letters written by the secretary, the president write a letter of commendation to each club which brought an exhibit to the convention. Seconded by Mrs. McCann. Carried.

Mrs. Swanson moved that a vote of appreciation be made to Mr. Hunt for securing the high level of interest and enthusiasm shown by the clubs in the Twin City area toward the annual meeting this year. Seconded and carried. Mrs. McCann moved that Miss Tracy be included in this motion. Seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Harold C. Pederson — President

Ed Hunt — Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, May 11, 1951
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by President Pederson

Board members present were: Harold Pederson, William Benitt, Helen Fischer, Howard Englund, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Henry A. Elieff, J.D. Winter, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Dana Rogers, K.F. Speelman, W.H. Alderman, Harold M. Stephens, Mrs. Roy Wherland, Mrs. Warren B. Johnston, Mrs. A.W. Tenhoff, W.R. Lawrie, and E.M. Hunt

Others present were: T.L. Aamodt and Kenneth Law, members of the Budget and Policy Committee.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 29, 1950, at the Saint Paul Hotel were read by the Secretary. The chairman entertained a motion that the minutes stand approved as read. Seconded and carried.

President Pederson asked Mr. Aamodt, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, to report on the financial situation of the Society. Mr. Aamodt stated that it was the opinion of the members of his committee that the Society was in a critical financial situation in view of increased costs and the failure of the Legislature to increase the present $7,500 appropriation. He indicated that there would be a deficit of approximately $269 in the current year operations. He also stated that increased costs in salaries, printing and all general office expenses for the coming year will have to be provided for. He reported that at the conclusion of the Policy and Budget Committee meeting this afternoon the members felt that the problems were of too serious a nature to solve without further careful study, and therefore the committee had no final recommendations to present to the board at this time. They would like however to have the thinking of the individual members of the board on the suggestions and possible solutions which had been presented in his committee. Mr. Aamodt asked Mr. Hunt to give a brief resume of these suggested plans.

Mr. Aamodt then stated that it was the recommendation of his committee that the board postpone action on the budget and authorize the study of the whole problem in a Budget and Policy subcommittee, composed of three committee members; these three persons to work with the secretary and then call another meeting of the Budget and Policy Committee to prepare specific recommendations.

Mr. Law asked the board members what they thought the reaction of the garden club members would be if the issues of the magazine were reduced from nine to six and if the membership fees were raised. Mr. Alderman suggested that it would help to clarify some points that might be raised if the secretary would give a brief review of the financial status of the Society as he had presented it to the Budget and Policy Committee during their afternoon meeting.

Mr. Hunt then briefly stated some of the possible steps which might be taken to curtail expenses and to increase receipts and also some of the difficulties which might result if these steps were taken.

A general discussion followed during which members of the board expressed their opinionson what the results might be if these suggested changes were adopted.

Mr. Benitt then moved that the Board authorize the appointing of three members of the Budget and Policy Committee to a subcommittee; this subcommittee to work with the secretary-treasurer in a thorough study of the financial situation of the Society, and to present specific recommendations to the Budget and Policy Committee; and that the Board either meet to act on these recommendations or authorize the Budget and Policy Committee to take final action not later than June 15. Seconded and carried.

The President appointed Mr. Aamodt, Mr. Law and Mr. Speelman to serve on the Subcommittee.

Mr. Benitt moved that the budget and financial policy recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee following the procedure outlined in the preceding motion be put into effect without further approval of the executive board. Seconded by Mr. Stephens. Mr. Speelman moved that this motion be amended to instruct the secretary to notify the members of the Executive Board of the time and place of the next meeting of the Budget and Policy Committee and invite them to attend the meeting. Mr. Benitt offered to include the amendment in his original motion if acceptable to Mr. Stephens who had seconded the original motion. The motion was restated as follows:

> Moved that the budget and financial policy recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee following the procedure outlined in the preceding adopted motion be put into effect without further approval of the Executive Board, and that the secretary notify executive board members of the time and place of the Budget and Policy Committee meeting at which this final action will be taken. Seconded by Mr. Stephens. Carried.

Mrs. Swanson reported on the progress of arrangements for the annual meeting to be held at Duluth on September 27 and 28, and indicated that preliminary plans were well under way.

Mr. Hunt stated that a new state-wide committee to "Plant Minnesota" had been appointed by the Governor and that at present its purpose was to support and encourage existing groups and individuals and serve as a clearing house of information on planting projects already under way or planned for the future.

Mr. Hunt explained the possibility of securing some additional funds for the Society by including in our regular State Fair booth a display of stationery from the Barton-Cotton Company. The display would encourage more of our affiliated groups to take advantage of this Company's money making offer. Increased sales of the stationery by our groups would help the State Society through the ten percent commission received on all sales. If supplies of the stationery could be obtained on consignment for sale at the booth, additional money might be earned.

Mr. Winter moved that the Secretary investigate the possibility of displaying and selling stationery at the Society State Fair booth providing the Barton-Cotton stationery could be obtained on consignment. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Mr. Law explained the organization and functions of the "University Agricultural Advisory Council" and reported that subcommittees had been appointed to study the needs of each division of the University Department of Agriculture. Mr. Law also pointed out the importance of having the committee members serve at least three-year terms.

Mr. Hunt briefly commented on his duties as the Horticultural Society delegate on the above-mentioned committee and the relationship and responsibility of organizations such as ours in the coordinating efforts of the committee.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the next Executive Board meeting be held Friday, August 10, 1951. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

It was suggested that the place of the next Board meeting be left up to the executive secretary.

Mrs. Johnston extended a very cordial invitation to all board members to attend their spring show which would be held at the Oak Grove Luthern Church in Minneapolis on June 1 and 2.

At 10:10 p.m. Mrs. Johnston moved that the meeting adjourn, Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

Harvey Pederson
President

Edward Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 10,1951
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by President Pederson.

Board Members present were: Harold Pederson, William Benitt, Helen Fischer, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Dana Rogers, K.F. Speelman, W.H. Alderman, C. A. Bandelin, Howard Englund, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Henry A. Elieff, J.D. Winter, Mrs. Warren B. Johnston, Arthur DeMars, and E.M. Hunt.

Others present were: Cortis Rice, Chairman of the Awards Committee; Rene Dufourd, a member of the Nominating Committee; H.M. Thompson, Advertising Manager; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

President Pederson introduced to the Board members, Mr. Dufourd, a member of the Men's Garden Club of Minneapolis and a member of the Society's Nominating Committee; and Mr. DeMars, president of one of the recently affiliated groups, the newly organized Minnesota Amateur Beekeepers' Association.

Mr. Hunt introduced Mr. H.M. Thompson, the Society's Advertising Manager for the "Minnesota Horticulturist". Mr. Thompson spoke briefly regarding his plans for promoting advertising in the magazine.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held May 11, 1951, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the Secretary. The Secretary also read the minutes of the Budget and Policy Committee meeting held June 25, 1951, in the Society Office. These minutes included the Recommendations of the Sub-Committee of the Budget and Policy Committee. Mr. Alderman moved that the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting and the minutes of the Budget and Policy Committee meeting including the Recommendations of the Sub-Committee of the Budget and Policy Committee be approved as read. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

The secretary read a communication received from President Morrill on November 7, 1950, in which he expressed the very grateful appreciation of the Regents of the University for the resolution adopted by the members of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society at their annual meeting held in St. Paul.

President Pederson asked Mr. Rice, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee, to report on the work of his committee. Mr. Rice stated that the nominations received in the office this year had been referred to members of the Awards Committee to see if more infromation could be obtained regarding some of the nominees, as many of the forms had not been sufficiently filled out. Mr. Rice also stated that a letter had been received requesting that a special award be given to one of the affiliated societies, and that the committee had decided against giving an award to such a group or organization for the following reasons: First, because the committee had no method of comparing the accomplishments of this group with all the other horticultural groups; Second, much more time and effort would have to be put on investigating each individual group than the present awards committee could give; Third, at present no provision has ever been made for such an award and the committee would have no basis for granting such an award; Fourth, the committee felt that all affiliated groups should be notified of the existence of the award before granting of any such award should be considered. Mr. Rice then gave a brief summary of the qualifications of each of the candidates recommended by his committee for special award.

The list of candidates recommended for awards by the committee and a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Englund moved that the Awards Committee report be accepted and that the recommendations made by this committee be approved. Seconded by Mr. Bandelin. Carried.

It was suggested that the question of providing some type of an award which might be granted to a club be brought up at the first board meeting following the annual meeting.

Mrs. Swanson gave a brief resume of the proposed program for the annual meeting and urged every one to come early, as the meeting would start promptly at 9:30 A.M.

Mrs. Johnston moved to approve the annual meeting program as outlined by Mrs. Swanson. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

Mrs. Swanson moved that the hours for balloting be from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 27, and from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon on Friday, September 28. After some discussion Mrs. Swanson changed her motion to read for the balloting to close at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, so that the newly elected President could be introduced at the luncheon on Friday. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

The secretary explained that the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society which had been adopted at the annual meeting September 23, 1946, and which had been in effect since that date must be resubmitted to the members for vote at the next annual meeting of the Society in order that they may be properly recorded in the office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. Winter moved to approve the amendments, Article 3, section 1; Article 3, section 4; and Article 6 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and to reprint these amendments in the September-October "Minnesota Horticulturist" and resubmit them to the members for vote at the annual meeting of the Society at Hotel Duluth, Duluth, Minnesota, on September 27, 1951. Seconded by Mrs. Johnston. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year June 30, 1950, to June 30, 1951.

Mr. Rogers, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that he and Mr. Alderman had examined the records of the Society and had found them in good order.

Mr. Bandelin moved to accept and place on file the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Mr. Benitt. Carried.

Mr. Benitt moved that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visiting Day be set for Saturday, September 22, 1951. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

The question was brought up regarding to what extent reimbursements should be made to Executive Board members for expenses in attending meetings. Mr. Winter moved that a committee be appointed to study this question and recommend a policy for the office to follow when such bills were presented. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

It was suggested that the above committee bring their recommendations to the executive board meeting to be held on September 28, at Hotel Duluth.

Mr. Winter suggested that the mailing of one or more issues of the magazine to delinquent members might be a good policy. Some discussion followed but no action was taken.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the secretary prepare and send a letter to Miss Olga Koerner expressing the regret of this Society for the death of Mr. Arthur C. Koerner, and offering our sincere sympathy. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

The merits of selling display space to commercial firms was briefly discussed.

At 10:15 P.M., Mr. Bandelin moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion was seconded and carried.

Harold Peterson
President

E. M. Hund
Secretary

Minutes ----- BUDGET AND POLICY COMMITTEE

June 25, 1951, Society Office, University Farm, St. Paul

Chairman Aamodt called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
Members of the committee present were: Mr. Aamodt, Mr. Alderman, and Mr. Hunt (ex-officio).

Executive Board members present were: Mrs. McCann, Mr. Sargent, Mr. Winter, and Mr. Stephens.

Mr. Aamodt presented the recommendations of the Budget and Policy sub-committee, a copy of which is attached here-to and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Hunt discussed in considerable detail the financial situation and prospects of the Society, and reviewed the deliberations of the sub-committee which preceded the presenting of the present recommendations.

Mr. Winter suggested that if the annual membership fees of affiliate members are increased it would also be advisable to increase the fees of direct annual members.

Mr. Stephens stated that the payment of duplicate membership fees by individuals who hold memberships in two or more affiliated organizations is a problem and asked that this matter be given consideration.

The secretary was instructed to examine the membership records and be prepared to report to the Executive Board in regard to the number of members who are at present paying duplicate fees.

Mr. Alderman moved that the recommendations of the Budget and Policy Sub-committee be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Aamodt. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the direct annual membership fee be increased to $2.00. Seconded by Mr. Aamodt. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved for adjournment. Carried. 5:00 p.m.

NOTE: The votes of the above-mentioned Executive Board members were counted in the unanimous adoption of the motions recorded in these minutes.

The following members of the Budget and Policy Committee, being absent at the June 25, 1951, meeting, have attached their signatures here-to as evidence of full accord with the actions of the Budget and Policy Committee recorded in these minutes:

K. J. Gulman

Harold Sorenson

William A Berndt.

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T. L. Aamodt, Chairman, Budget and Policy Committee.

E. M. Hunt, Secretary

RECOMMENDATIONS

The sub-committee of the Policy and Budget committee, appointed May 11, 1951 by President Pederson, after careful study of the Society's policies and present financial position, and after careful appraisal of the Society's total assets and potentialities recommends:

1. That affiliated members fees be increased from the present $.75 to $1.00 per member per year, and that the new rate be made effective October 1, 1951, or at such approximate date as seems most desirable in the judgment of the Secretary.

2. That consideration be given the elimination of the Life Members' Reserve Funds as such -- and that the secretary be authorized to draw upon these funds as they are needed to promote and build up the Society's effectiveness -- with the view of thus achieving, before their exhaustion, a favorable yearly balance of income over disbursements in the general operation of the Society.

3. That the Secretary be authorized to enter into a contract with an advertising agency, firm, or salesman, for the sale of magazine advertising on a commission basis; and that the sale of advertising be vigorously promoted in order to achieve within one year's time the usual desired balance between advertising and editorial content in the magazine.

4. That the proposed budget as prepared for the biennial budget presented to the State Office of Administration be put into effect July 1, 1951.

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Proposed Spending Plan Society and State Funds

for each year of the Biennium July 1951 to July 1953

(Based on requested $8,750 State Appropriation)

	Actual Total 1949-1950	Proposed yearly expenditures Society	State	Total
Salaries				
Secretary	4,800.00	2,300.00	3,200.00	5,500.00
Principal Clerk	2,400.00		2,800.00	2,800.00
Clerk-typist	1,509.39		2,200.00	2,200.00
Retirement Assessment	48.00	48.00		48.00
Speakers (District)	87.35	150.00		150.00
Travel and hotel				
Secretary	229.73	300.00	100.00	400.00
Executive Board	235.34	250.00		250.00
Printing				
Magazine	3,961.62	4,000.00		4,000.00
Miscellaneous	317.40	350.00		350.00
Postage	537.58	200.00	340.00	540.00
Magazines and books	38.95	80.00		80.00
Office Supplies	107.98	75.00	110.00	185.00
Office Equipment	1,483.59	330.00		330.00
Telephone	32.20	35.00		35.00
Insurance	77.11	100.00		100.00
Poison Bait	186.01	190.00		190.00
Exchange	14.54	15.00		15.00
Refunds (Overpayment fees)	60.25	61.00		61.00
Annual Convention				
Meeting	236.14	250.00		250.00
Banquet	34.00	36.00		36.00
Miscellaneous	229.15	230.00		230.00
	16,626.33	9,000.00	8,750.00	17,750.00

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Miss Helen Fischer - Route 4, Hastings
For Invaluable assistance to horticultural organizations and constant promotion of the floral arts

To Benjamin F. Dunn - 1115 Eighth Avenue S.E., Rochester
For More than a quarter of a century devoted to the advancement of horticulture

AWARD OF MERIT

To Mrs. Wesley K. McGuire, - Route 1, Cass Lake
For Leadership in civic and youth projects

To Mrs. E. M. Evans - Newfolden
For Meritorious service in garden club work

To Mrs. Albert Veillette - 922 South 7 St., Brainerd
For Meritorious service in many horticultural projects

To Mrs. Kittie M. Peabody - 612 South 8 St., Brainerd
For Leadership in gardening

To Mrs. Arthur A. Eckley - 3024 Irving Ave. S., Minneapolis 8
For Outstanding service in many phases of organized gardening work

To Miss Helen Johnson - Malung
For Leadership in organized gardening activities

To Mrs. Carl B. Stravs - 4649 York Ave. S., Minneapolis 10
For Meritorious service in the organization and support of garden club work

To Mrs. T. H. Granquist - Route 132, Box 313A, Duluth 3
For Meritorious service in gardening and garden club work

To Mrs. F. Arthur Johnson - Route 3, Box 372, Duluth 3
For Outstanding service in the promotion of gardening

To Mrs. Mark Richardson - Comfrey
For Meritorious service in garden club work

To Mrs. J. J. McCann - 2810 Third Ave. W., Hibbing
For Outstanding work in the organization and support of gardening

Executive Board Meeting, September 28, 1951
Hotel Duluth, Duluth, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 P.M. by President Grussendorf.

Board members present were: D.T. Grussendorf, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. J.J. McCann, Miss Helen Fischer, Ralph Bachman, Fred Braden, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Alfred Swanson, Mrs. A.W. Tenhoff, Durant Barkley, Arthur DeMars, and E.M. Hunt

Others present were: Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Mrs. Benjamin F. Dunn, representing the Rochester Garden and Flower Club; Roy Mickelson, representing the West Mesaba Horticultural Society; Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, General Chairman of the Annual Meeting Organization Committee; Mrs. Willis Swanman, Exhibits Chairman: and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Mr. Dunn moved that a resolution be adopted commending Mr. Pederson for his two years of outstanding leadership as president. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held August 10, 1951, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the Secretary. Miss Fischer moved that the minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

The question of providing some type of an award which might be granted to a group or organization was discussed briefly. Then Mr. Barclay moved that action on this question be deferred for the present. Seconded by Mr. DeMars. Carried.

Mr. Roy E. Mickelson, Hibbing, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

> Whereas; the Minnesota State Horticultural Society is interested in the preservation of natural areas, and
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> Whereas, the establishment of the proposed International Quetico-Superior National Forest will assure its preservation.
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> Therefore be it resolved: That the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, at its 85th Annual Convention assembled, go on record endorsing the Quetico-Superior Program of Conservation and the establishment of the International Forest as proposed.

Mr. Hunt moved that the last statement of the resolution be changed to read, "That the Executive Board of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society acting in behalf of the members of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society at their 85th annual convention go on record endorsing the Quetico-Superior Program of Conservation and the establishment of the International Forest as proposed." This amendment was seconded and carried.

Mr. Barclay moved that the secretary confer with Mr. Sig Olson in working out minor changes in the wording of the resolution which might be necessary to convey the desired meaning. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

Mr. Mickelson then moved that the resolution with the proposed amendments be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Carried.

It was suggested that the secretary prepare a paragraph for publication in the magazine briefly explaining the objectives of this resolution, so that the members of the Society over the state would understand the purpose and value of the Quetico-Superior Program.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the secretary be instructed to send "thank you" letters to the sponsors and committee chairmen of the Annual Convention. The list of persons, to whom these letters are to be sent, to be arranged between Mrs. Nicholson and Mr. Hunt. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Pederson moved that the Executive Board confirm the action of the general assembly of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society in session on September 27, 1951, in adopting amendments to Article 3, section 1; Article 3, section 4; and Article 6 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society as published in the October 1951 "Minnesota Horticulturist". Seconded by Mr. Mickelson. Carried.

Mr. Pederson as chairman of a special committee appointed to study the question, "to what extent should reimbursement be made to executive board members for expenses in attending meetings?" reported that his committee had not decided on any final recommendations but wished to submit the following suggestions for consideration: (1) reimbursement, if made, should be based on a minimum allowance per mile; (2) members should consider that they themselves benefit from the experience of meeting other members throughout the state; (3) reimbursement should be limited to elected board members. The committee also suggested that the time and place of meetings be decided sufficiently in advance so that members may plan their trips to incur little, if any, additional expense.

After a brief discussion of Mr. Pederson's report, Mr. Barclay moved that the President appoint a committee to continue the study of this question and report at the next meeting. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

The President then appointed the same committee, Mr. Pederson, Mr. Dufourd, and Dr. Hutchins, to continue their study of the question so as to make some definite recommendations to the executive board.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Barton-Cotton stationery sales project carried on at the Society State Fair Booth had been very successful and after all expenses had been paid the Society had made a profit of $545 and had stock on hand which might yield another $100.

The secretary reported that the new advertising plans are progressing well and that advertising volume is increasing even though the new advertising manager had had a very limited time to work on securing advertising for the last issue.

The question was brought up as to just what type of advertising would be accepted in the "Minnesota Horticulturist" and if any attempt would be made to screen out the undesirable nurseries and companies. Mr. Bachman suggested that if only dependable firms were allowed to advertise then the readers should be made to feel that it was their duty to support these dependable companies, who were supporting the society through their advertisements.

After some discussion it was moved, seconded and carried that an advertising committee be appointed as one of the standing committees.

The President explained that the Executive Committee had been composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two alternates. He asked that the board appoint two alternates.

Mr. Bachman moved that Harold Pederson and Cortis Rice act as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Swanson. Carried.

After a brief discussion of plans for the next annual meeting, Mr. Grussendorf stated that the place for holding the 1952 annual meeting would be determined at a later meeting.

The President announced that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee and also two members of the board to serve as Auditors would be appointed at the next executive board meeting.

In the discussion about setting up a definite time schedule for holding the executive board meetings, the following conclusions were made: it appears to be more or less of a tradition that one of the meetings be held on the last evening of the annual convention; another meeting should be held early in the spring, perhaps during the spring Short Course, in order to make arrangements for the next annual meeting; and that a third meeting should be held in August in order to act upon recommendations from the Special Awards Committee.

Mr. Dunn moved that the exact time and place of holding these board meetings be left up to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

At 10:10 P.M., Mr. Swanson moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

W. Grussendorf
President

E. McFarland
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, March 20, 1952
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by President Grussendorf.

Board Members present were: D.T. Grussendorf, Dana Rogers, Fred Braden, Cortis N. Rice, Helen Fischer, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. J.J. McCann, W.H. Alderman, Mrs. Leo Scherf, Durant Barclay, Howard M. Englund, H.S. Reid, Henry A. Elieff, Mrs. Stanley Carlson, Arthur J. DeMars, Fred W. Westerlund, and E.M. Hunt.

Others present were: George W. Nelson, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Mrs. Ernest Swanson, representing the Duluth Garden Flower Society; Maxwell Sargent, representing the Goodhue County Horticultural Society; G.Victor Lowrie, member of the special Publications Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 28, 1951, at Hotel Duluth, Duluth, Minnesota, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

President Grussendorf requested the approval of the executive board in the appointment of Mr. Fred Braden as an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Nelson moved that Mr. Braden be appointed as an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

Mrs. McCann briefly explained to the group that she would be unable to continue to serve as an executive Board member. Her resignation in written form was tendered to the board.

The secretary read a communication received from President Morrill in which he expressed the very grateful appreciation of the Regents of the University for the work of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee.

The Secretary also read a copy of the letter which Mr. Alderman wrote to the members of the Visitors Committee informing them that their recommendations for the purchase of $5,051 worth of machinery and tools for the Fruit Breeding Farm had been favorably acted upon and that the Fruit Breeding Farm had received authorization for the purchase of the machinery.

The secretary gave a brief financial report, and also reported that the number of memberships recorded for 1952 was approximately the same as the 1951 memberships recorded on March 20 of last year.

President Grussendorf asked Mr. Rogers, chairman of the Special Awards Committee, to report on the work of his committee. Mr. Rogers reported that his committee had prepared recommendations concerning the type of award that might be given to clubs for their efforts in increasing membership in their own groups or in organizing new clubs. Mr. Rogers moved that an award of a book be made to clubs:

(1) who in the estimation of the Awards Committee have materially increased their membership;

(2) who have rendered outstanding service in the organizing of new clubs affiliating with the State Horticultural Society as 1952 members;

and that the Awards Committee be authorized to select the winning clubs and that it be left to the discretion of the Committee as to the number of awards to be given; the total expense for awards not to exceed $100. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Grussendorf called upon Mr. Rice for the report of the special Publications Committee. Mr. Rice explained briefly the work of the committee and asked Mr. Lowrie, a member of the committee, to give further details. Mr. Lowrie explained in detail the matters which had been considered by the committee and urged the adoption of the committee recommendations as follows:

1. That the President appoint, from the membership of the Society, a permanent Publications Committee to succeed this temporary committee; the committee to consist of from three to five members including, if possible, some members with publishing, editing, and advertising experience, no member to be selected from the paid staff of the Society.

2. That this committee shall assist in establishing the general editorial policies and, while it shall not be required to do the actual work of publishing, it shall devote its efforts toward the continuing improvement of the magazine. It shall advise with the Secretary in appointing and removing associate editors or reporters, or both, in locations deemed to be desirable or necessary for complete coverage of the area. It shall hold itself available for advice and counsel to the editor.

3. That this committee shall assist in establishing the general financial policy of the magazine, within the general budget as approved by the Executive Board. It will counsel on matters pertaining to advertising rates and policies and shall assist in the selection of competent printers and the awarding of printing contracts.

4. That the temporary committee be given the responsibilities proposed for the permanent committee and to continue until such time as the permanent committee is established.

Mr. Rice moved that the recommendations outlined in this report be adopted. Seconded by Miss Fischer. After a brief discussion motion carriied.

Mr. Rice chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, reported that at a meeting of his committee on the afternoon of March 20, the matter of duplicate memberships was discussed and that the committee recommended the following ruling be adopted:

"A Life Member, or a Direct Annual Member of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society may be, or may become, a member of any groups affiliated with the Society without obligating such groups to pay the Society annual fee for that person. A person whose annual membership fee has already been paid to the Society through one group affiliated with the Society may be, or may become a member of other affiliated groups without obligating those groups to pay annual fees to the Society for that person."

The committee also proposed the following instructions to affiliated groups with respect to annual fees:

"A person holding current year State Society membership must, when he seeks membership in an affiliated group, present his State Society membership card. The treasurer of the affiliated group, in submitting

membership roles and accompanying fees to the State Society, must list the applicant's name and State Society Membership number but is not required to remit a fee for the applicant. If an applicant is a life member of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, this fact should be noted but a fee is not required."

Miss Fischer moved that the recommendations of the Budget and Policy Committee be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

The chairman requested the opinion of the board as to whether a Nominating Committee should be appointed. Mr. Hunt explained that a previous motion of the board required that a Nominating Committee be appointed by the President as a standing committee of the society. It was agreed that the appointment of a Nominating Committee should be made within the next week or ten days.

Mr. Hunt explained that an investigation should be made to determine what action, if any, must be taken by this Society to conform with the provisions of Minnesota Chapter Law No. 550 - H. F. No. 207 AN ACT relating to nonprofit corporations (Minnesota Nonprofit Corporation Act). The secretary was instructed to confer with such persons as may be able to give advice and counsel on this matter in order to determine what actions may be necessary to maintain the proper legal status of the Society.

Mr. Hunt reported that a motion stating the Society's legal place of doing business was necessary in order to correct the files at the State Capitol: Mr. Alderman moved that the legal place of doing business be University Farm, Ramsey County, Saint Paul 1, Minnesota. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

The secretary explained that a resolution was required by the bank stating who has right of entry to the Society's Safety Deposit Box at the St. Anthony Park State Bank. Mr. Rice moved the adoption of the following resolution:

"RESOLVED: That, until written notice to the contrary is given by this corporation to the Safe Deposit Department of St. Anthony Park State Bank, access to Safe Deposit Boxes (herein called safes) standing in the name of this corporation in the vaults of above named bank shall be had by the following: President, and Secretary-Treasurer; any one of whom shall have full authority to enter said safes and to make deposits therein or remove any part or all of the contents thereof, to rent safes and to execute leases thereof in the name of this corporation, to amend or cancel said leases, to exchange or surrender the safes, and in all other respects to represent this corporation."

Motion seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

Mr. Braden reported for the special committee appointed to study the question "To what extent should reimbursement be made to executive board members?". The committee suggested that the Society continue to pay travel expenses, if requested, of the elected board members only; and that the question regarding the other members be tabled. Mr. Barclay moved that Mr. Braden's report be accepted. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Hunt requested an opinion from the board as to whether or not he should consider making plans for the Barton-Cotton Stationery Sales Project at the Society State Fair Booth this year. Miss Fischer moved that the Secretary be authorized to continue this project, providing suitable arrangements for doing so can be arranged. Seconded by Mr. Alderman. Carried.

Miss Fischer asked that some thought be given to the repair of, and the possible addition to, the show equipment owned by the State Society for loan to affiliated groups. Mr. Hunt questioned the desirability of the Society spending state money for equipment that could be used by only a few local groups, and he informed the board that the storage of such equipment was becoming a serious problem.

Mrs. Jensen moved that a committee be appointed to study the matter of providing and maintaining show equipment. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

Mr. Grussendorf appointed Mr. Elieff chairman of this special Show Equipment Committee.

Miss Fischer moved that the annual meeting for 1952 be held in Minneapolis. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Motion carried.

Discussion was heard concerning various annual meeting details including the possibility of charging registration fees, type of exhibits, and time and place of meeting. Hearing no motions in regard to these President Grussendorf announced that he would appoint a committee in the near future to make the necessary arrangements and plans.

Mr. Grussendorf thanked the committees for their excellent reports at this meeting and for the effort and time spent by the committee members in their assignments.

At 10:15, Mr. Rogers moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

D Grussendorf
President

E O Englund
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 20, 1952
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by President Grussendorf.

Board Members present were: D.T. Grussendorf, Dana Rogers, Fred Braden, Helen Fischer, Mrs. Frank Jensen, W.H. Alderman, Harold Pederson, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Mrs. Jacob Rigg, William A. Benitt, Mrs. Cortis N. Rice, Jr., W.G. Sindt, Howard M. Englund, Mrs. Stanley Carlson, Arthur DeMars, Mrs. Donald Sandberg, representing the West Parkway Garden Clubs, E.M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held March 20,1952 were accepted.

President Grussendorf asked Mr. Rogers, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee, to report on the work of his committee. Mr. Rogers reviewed the basis upon which the awards are given and listed those candidates the committee were recommending for special awards. He moved that the recommendations made by the committee be approved. Seconded by Mr. Pederson. Carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that the fourteen garden clubs which had helped organize one or more new garden clubs during the past year and which had furnished sufficient information to the awards committee concerning the same by August 15, be awarded a special award consisting of a garden encyclopedia. Motion seconded by Mr. Sindt. Carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that the five clubs having increased their 1952 membership by 30% or more be awarded a special award consisting of a garden encyclopedia. Motion seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

A list of the candidates recommended by the awards committee for Life Memberships and those recommended for Certificates of Merit with a statement of the reason for each recommendation, also a list of the fourteen garden clubs which had helped organize one or more new clubs during the past year, and a list of the five clubs which had increased their 1952 membership by 30% or more are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1952. Mr. Sindt moved to accept the Treasurer's Report contingent upon verification of the accounts by the Auditing Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

(The auditors appointed were Mr. Fred Braden and Mr. J.D. Winter)

Mr. Alderman, in the absence of Mr. Rice, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, reported that the committee had considered two things in their meeting held on the afternoon of August 20, 1952.

First, they studied very carefully the budget set up for the year 1952-1953 and recommended that this proposed 1952-53 budget be approved by the Executive Board. Mr. Alderman moved that the board adopt this budget. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Motion carried.

The second item studied by the committee was the Biennial Budget. After very careful consideration the following two resolutions were passed by the committee:

> Mr. Aamodt moved, Miss Fischer seconded, that the Horticultural Society ask the Legislature for an annual appropriation of $8,750 for the next biennium. (This is the same amount as was requested of the past Legislature.) Carried.
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> Mr. Braden moved, Miss Fischer seconded, that the Budget and Policy Committee recommend that the salary of the secretary be made $6,000 per year in the preparation of the proposed budget for the biennium, July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1955, and that a suitable proportion of this increase be made from State Funds. Carried.

Mr. Alderman moved that the Executive Board approve the report as recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee. Seconded by Mr. Jensen. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt gave a brief resume of the progress of the annual meeting plans. He explained that a temporary committee had been appointed to give advice in planning the convention. Following the meeting of this Temporary Planning Committee, chairmen had been appointed to proceed with each of the main features of the convention; such as, the banquet, luncheon, show, and program. Mr. Hunt explained briefly the plans that had been made to finance the meeting, the proposed program, and a special "get-to-gether" feature which had not been tried at any previous convention. Mrs. Jensen moved that the committee be encouraged to follow-up this new "get-to-gether" feature on the program. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion carried.

Miss Fischer moved that the hours for balloting be from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 PM. on Friday, September 26, and from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon on Saturday, September 27. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

In the absence of Mr. Elieff, Chairman of the Show Equipment Committee, Mr. Hunt reported on the repairing of the exhibit tables. The committee held a meeting on May 2, 1952 at the home of Mr. Elieff. This committee was composed of a representative from each of the six societies which used the tables each year. The committee decided to have the tables repaired and put in first class condition, dividing the expense equally among the six societies. The tables were repaired at a total cost of $120.

President Grussendorf announced that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Day was set for Saturday afternoon, September 20.

Mr. Englund made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

M Grussendorf
President

Ed W Hunt
Secretary

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Mrs. Frank A. Jensen - Star Route 5, Brainerd
For Outstanding leadership in the promotion of horticultural development and community service

To Cortis N. Rice, Jr. - 153 Interlachen Road, Hopkins
For Outstanding service and leadership in the promotion of horticulture in Minnesota

AWARD OF MERIT

To Mrs. Paul Amistadi - Route 1, Chisholm
For Outstanding garden club work

To William A. Benitt - Apple Acres, Hastings
For Ceaseless service to the fruit industry and the soil conservation movement

To Mrs. Florence Bergeman - 303 N. 8 Street, Brainerd
For Outstanding garden club work and community service

To Francis L. Block - Route 1, Ortonville
For Valuable contributions to the development of Minnesota orcharding

To R. S. Bryant - Route 2, Hopkins
For Unselfish promotion of horticultural development

To Mrs. William R. Carter - 5021 Wooddale Lane, Minneapolis 10
For Outstanding service in the promotion of garden club work

To John Fritzen - 215 Snively Road, Duluth 3
For Leadership in garden club and civic horticultural projects

To Mrs. Melvin Hole - St. James
For Outstanding service in garden club organization

To L. V. Jordan, - 717 Brown Avenue, St. Paul 7
For Service in the promotion of gardening

To G. Victor Lowrie - 4900 Aldrich Avenue South, Minneapolis 9
For Service in the promotion of gardening and organized gardening work

To Mrs. S.M. Marberg - 1219 First Street Southwest, Wadena
For Outstanding garden club work

To August Neubauer - R.F.D., Gilbert
For Leadership in rural living and horticultural endeavors

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oltman - Pencer
For Outstanding promotion of gardens and gardening work

AWARD OF MERIT (cont'd)

To Ernest Shemild - Grand Marais
For Service in the promotion of gardening

To Henry P. Vollenweider - La Crescent
For Leadership in the promotion of orcharding

List of garden clubs which had helped organize one or more new clubs during the past year:

1. Bloomfield Garden Club
2. Friendly Garden Club of Winnebago
3. Wadena Garden Club
4. Roseau Garden Club
5. Brainerd Flower Society
6. Stephen Garden Club
7. Green Thumb Garden Club of Minneapolis
8. Bemidji Garden Club
9. Bagley Garden Club
10. Green Thumb Garden Club of Zimmerman
11. Gro-Rite Club of Badger
12. Mountain Lake Garden Club
13. Heavenly Blue Climbers of Ormsby
14. Lake Owasso Garden Club

List of clubs which had increased their 1952 membership by 30% or more:

1. West Parkway Clubs - Minneapolis
2. Metropolitan Garden Club - St. Paul
3. St. Cloud Garden Club
4. Glenview Terrace Garden Club - Minneapolis
5. Mankato Garden Club

BUDGET AS PROPOSED BY E. M. HUNT
FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1953

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

	1951-1952 Actual	Year Ended 6/30/53 Expected	Increase Over Previous Year
RECEIPTS			
Memberships, annual	$ 7,591.50	$ 8,182.00	$ 590.50
Memberships, term	499.00	500.00	1.00
Memberships, life	25.00	25.00	
Advertising	2,822.35	4,023.00	1,200.65
Poison bait	231.70	190.00	- 41.70
Garden Information Folders	76.00	200.00	124.00
Bound Volumes	11.25	14.00	2.75
Magazines	21.60	20.00	- 1.60
Interest (bonds)	52.50	50.00	- 2.50
Stationery sales			
Commissions	81.60	83.00	1.40
State Fair Booth	1,734.47	1,734.00	- .47
Reimbursements			
Exhibit table, repair	60.00	60.00	
Miscellaneous	48.94	50.00	1.06
Miscellaneous	19.87	21.00	1.13
Increments (Defense bonds)	93.00	93.00	
State Appropriation funds	7,499.34	7,498.00	- 1.34
Convention registration		300.00	300.00
	$20,868.12	$23,043.00	$ 2,174.88
DISBURSEMENTS			
Salary - Secretary	$ 5,500.00	$ 5,700.00	$ 200.00
Salary - Principal Clerk	2,800.00	3,000.00	200.00
Salary - Clerk-typist	2,200.00	2,400.00	200.00
Retirement Assessment	102.60	110.00	7.40
Advertising Commissions	649.11	1,000.00	350.89
Speakers (District)	83.70	90.00	6.30
Travel and Hotel			
Secretary	275.48	280.00	4.52
Executive Board	217.48	240.00	22.52
Printing and binding			
Magazine	4,977.24	5,700.00	722.76
Garden Information Folder		600.00	600.00
Miscellaneous	196.60	210.00	13.40
Postage and Permits	518.80	540.00	21.20
Addressograph supplies	52.30	30.00	- 22.30
Office supplies	255.49	260.00	4.51
Office Equipment	320.60	200.00	- 120.60
Telephone	18.75	25.00	6.25
Insurance	70.35	75.00	4.65
Poison bait	169.51	200.00	30.49
Bound Volumes	61.00	61.00	
Magazines and Books	25.80	30.00	4.20
State Fair Booth	1,132.52	1,133.00	.48
Exhibit Tables, repairs	120.00		- 120.00
Annual Convention	311.80	600.00	288.20
Miscellaneous	70.21	71.00	.79
	$20,129.34	$22,555.00	$ 2,425.66

Executive Board Meeting, September 27, 1952
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

Board Members present were: D. T. Grussendorf, Dana Rogers, Fred Braden, Cortis N. Rice, Ralph Bachman, Helen Fischer, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. Cortis Rice, Howard M. Englund, Mrs. E. E. Krause, Henry A. Elieff, Mrs. Arthur Riser, Arthur Demars, W. H. Alderman, Durant Barclay, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Mrs. Si. Marberg, Mrs. A. L. Bowles, E. M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held August 20, 1952, were read by the Secretary. Mr. Englund moved that the minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Mrs. Krause. Carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that letters of appreciation be sent to all persons who helped to make the 1952 annual meeting a success. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Motion carried.

The question was raised as to whether the Society should continue the system of awards which had been used during the past year to encourage affiliated groups to increase membership in their own groups or to those groups who had rendered outstanding service in the organizing of new clubs affiliated with the State Society during the year. Mr. Englund moved that this same system of club awards be continued for another year. Seconded by Mrs. Marberg. Motion carried.

Mrs. Krause asked for an interpretation of the special club award system as applied to a large club like the Duluth or Richfield clubs, which are composed of many small individual clubs or chapters, each chapter's membership and affiliation fees being sent to the State Office by the all-over club officers and not by the officers of each individual club or chapter. Mrs. Krause wished to know if the increase in membership or assistance in forming a new club should be credited to the all-over club or to the individual chapter. The consensus was that the individual chapter be given the award if that group was instrumental in organizing a new group or in increasing its own membership at least 30% and that the all-over club (such as the Duluth Garden Club) should provide the necessary and correct records to the State Office in applying for an award. Mr. Barclay suggested to Mrs. Krause that the question be discussed at one of the meetings in Duluth so that each individual chapter of that club would understand the system.

The resolution regarding misleading advertising, adopted at the general session of the annual meeting, was discussed. It was suggested that copies of the resolution and a letter explaining the advisory services offered by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society be prepared and distributed to certain publishers, radio and television station managers, advertisers, and advertising agencies. Mr. Alderman moved that a letter together with a copy of the resolution be sent to the Minneapolis Better Business Bureau and to the Newspapers of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth.

A copy of the resolution (and a list of the members, appointed by President Grussendorf, comprising the new Advertising Advisory Committee) is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Elieff moved that Mr. Hunt be re-appointed secretary-treasurer for a two-year term. Seconded by Mr. Braden. Motion carried.

Mrs. Evans mentioned that it might be possible for the Second District to sponsor the 1953 Annual Meeting. She indicated that although the matter had not been discussed sufficiently to make possible a bid at this time, it might be offered at a later date.

Several comments were made by members of the board regarding the exhibits at the Annual Meeting at the Curtis: Mrs. Marberg suggested that it might be better to have more than one class for the club exhibits; Helen Fischer mentioned the fact that there was a definite lack of fruit displayed and that putting more emphasis on ornamentals and less on fruit and vegetables might make it more difficult to secure the required amount of appropriation from the legislature.

Mr. Bachman explained a few of the features of the National Rose Show to be held at Dayton's Minneapolis, on October 27 and 28, 1952.

At 9:00 P.M., Mr. Alderman moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Englund. Carried.

D Swensen
President

E C Mott Hunt
Secretary

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS
The Minnesota State Horticultural Society has as one of its purposes the dissemination of horticultural information and has an interest in, and responsibility to its members as well as to all horticulturally minded people in the state in regard to the character of horticultural information originating from any source,

AND WHEREAS
It has come to the attention of this Society that certain firms, through newspaper, radio and television advertising have disseminated misleading information in regard to horticultural plants and materials,

AND WHEREAS
This practice has resulted in financial loss and disappointment to purchasers and damage to the professional reputation of the entire horticultural trade, and to the media through which the misleading information was disseminated,

BE IT RESOLVED:
That the Minnesota State Horticultural Society in annual meeting in Minneapolis on September 26, 1952, condemns the above-mentioned practice and urges the publishers of Minnesota newspapers and the managers of radio and television broadcasting stations to carefully examine the advertisements of all firms offering nursery stock, bulbs, flowers, seeds and similar horticultural materials, refusing those advertisements which do not conform to reasonable standards of ethics and horticultural accuracy

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:
That the Minnesota State Horticultural Society offer its cooperation by appointing a committee of qualified horticulturists whose services as a consulting group will be available to all advertisers and advertising media for advice on horticultural matters.

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In accordance with the above resolution Mr. D. T. Grussendorf, president of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, appointed the following members to serve on the Advertising Advisory Committee:

A. H. Flack, Minneapolis
W. H. Alderman, St. Paul
Ralph Bachman, Minneapolis
Fred Braden, Duluth
John Fritzen, Duluth
E. M. Hunt, St. Paul
L. C. Snyder, St. Paul
O. C. Turnquist, St. Paul
R. E. Widmer, St. Paul

Executive Board Meeting, March 25, 1953
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Grussendorf.

Board Members present were: D.T. Grussendorf, Dana Rogers, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Harold Thomforde, Fred Braden, Louis R. Fischer, Harold Pederson, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Durant Barclay, Perry S. Williams, J.D. Winter, Vincent Bailey, Robert M. Black, W.G. Sindt, Victor Lowrie, Mrs. E.L. Everett, Mrs. Chester Carpenter, Neil G. Barry, E. M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 27, 1952, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

The chairman inquired of the board members if they were satisfied with the Curtis Hotel as a general meeting place, or if they would prefer to hold the meetings at different places. Mr. Rogers moved that we continue having our meetings at the Curtis. Motion seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the number of memberships received so far for 1953 showed an increase of 514 over the number received last year during the same period; and that while 14 of the old groups had not as yet re-affiliated, there were 27 new garden clubs already enrolled for 1953.

President Grussendorf asked the secretary to report on the finances of the Society. Mr. Hunt explained that after a careful study of the income and expenditures since July 1, 1952, it appears that the Society would be able to stay within the budget which had been prepared for the fiscal year 1952-1953.

The secretary explained the procedure which had been used in recent years in requesting a state appropriation from the legislature, and stated that he did not feel that it would change our chances for the requested amount of appropriation at this time to have the officers and members of the Society besiege the legislature with letters and personal contacts in behalf of the Society; but special appeals would be made if there was an indication that they would be needed.

The president asked for a report on the magazine advertising program. Mr. Hunt explained that while the goal set for this year's advertising sales probably will not be reached, the amount of advertising carried in the magazine is slowly increasing. Increased advertising income over the past two years will approximately balance the increased cost of the improved magazine.

The secretary reported what had been done toward plans for the next annual meeting. An investigating committee composed of representatives from the Faribault Junior Chamber of Commerce, Farmer Seed and Nursery Company, Andrews Nurseries, Brand Nursery, and the Lehman Nursery met with Mr. Hunt in Faribault. This committee felt that a convention in Faribault would be very successful if held before danger of frost. The dates of September 14 and 15 were suggested.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the 1953 annual meeting be held at Faribault. Seconded by Mrs. Evans. Motion carried.

Mr. Barry moved that the Society cooperate with the Faribault folks on setting the annual meeting date at a time which would be most favorable, possibly September 14 and 15. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

The Secretary explained what had been done on the flower show project. He stated that instead of attempting to organize judging schools at this time it might be more logical to first urge the adoption of orderly procedures in organizing, staging, and judging horticultural shows, including uniform rules and standards. He stated that the office already had prepared and mailed to all affiliated groups suggested flower show schedules and a guide in preparing an organized flower show. He further stated that he would like to have the help of a committee to revise or approve a set of "Judging Standards for Minnesota" as soon as such a proposed set of standards can be outlined. A motion was made by Mr. Lowrie and seconded by Mr. Fischer that the secretary go ahead with the flower show project as started and secure the help of a committee to revise or approve the set of standards when the secretary is ready for help with that part of the project. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt mentioned the need of having some additional lantern slide sets and suggested the possibility that additional slides might be obtained by having a lantern slide contest. After a brief discussion the consensus was that many members had good slides that they did not need or use and would perhaps be willing to donate them to the Society, if they knew they would be used by garden clubs throughout the state. It was suggested that a request be made for slides, asking that each slide be accompanied by name of the person, and where taken, as well as the identification of the picture.

Mr. Hunt explained that the present boundaries of our district horticultural societies need revision in order to improve the functioning of present and prospective district organizations. He presented a map showing how the redistricting might be attempted. Mr. Rogers moved that a committee be appointed to help with the preparing of a similar map to be sent out to each of the organizations concerned and to study their suggestions before final action is taken. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Motion carried.

The secretary stated that during the State Fair the last two years the Society had conducted a sales project in the Society booth in order to secure some additional funds. He suggested a new plan for the 1953 Fair whereby a plant or perhaps a bulb might be given with each membership sold at the Fair in order to promote sale of memberships. He requested the opinion of the executive board regarding such a project. After some discussion Mr. Pederson moved that the decision regarding the State Fair booth be left to the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion Carried.

Mr. Grussendorf stated that a request had been received from the Minnesota Rose Society asking that the State Horticultural Society consider giving an award to Dr. R. C. Allen, Secretary of the American Rose Society, the award to be presented at the National Rose Society to be held in the Twin Cities on June 25-26-27. Mr. Fischer moved that the Society award the Bronze Medal to Dr. R. C. Allen, and that this medal be presented to Dr. Allen at the National Rose Society Convention in June. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that a letter be sent to Dean Macy of the Institute of Agriculture stating that the State Horticultural Society is very much interested in the selection of a successor to Professor Alderman and wishes to convey to the committee which will make the selection that the Society offers its continued cooperation to the Institute and to the new department head whoever he may be, and that the Society will be pleased to have serious consideration given to the selection of Dr. Leon C. Snyder for the position. Motion seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion carried.

Mr. Fischer inquired as to the number of tables needed by some of the affiliated societies when putting on their flower shows. He stated that the Minnesota Peony Society would furnish the labor for making additional tables if some of the Societies using the tables would provide funds for the purchase of the necessary materials, which would amount to $14 per table. He asked if the State Society would furnish material for two tables. Mr. Thomforde moved that the State Society stand the cost of the material for two tables, which would total $28. Motion seconded by Mr. Fischer. Motion carried.

At 10:10 p.m., Mr. Rogers moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

L Grussendorf
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, July 31, 1953
St.Matthews Episcopal Church Basement, St.Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by President Grussendorf.

Board members present were: D.T. Grussendorf, Dana Rogers, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Fred Braden, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Miss Helen Fischer, Dr. Leon C. Snyder, Harold Pederson, Mrs. Wilbur Martz, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Durant Barclay, J.D. Winter, Robert M. Black, W.G. Sindt, Mrs. Cortis N.Rice, Jr., Mrs. E.E. Krause, Mrs. E.L. Everett, Mrs. Axel Hansen, Neil G. Barry, E.M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held March 25, 1953, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt gave a brief resume of the plans for the annual meeting to be held September 18 and 19 at Fairbault. A new feature will be a special luncheon for the garden club presidents. He stated that Mr. Charles Okken was serving as general chairman of the Convention Planning Committee, which was composed of representatives from the four large Faribault nurseries, the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Faribault, and the First District Horticultural Society.

Mr. Winter moved that the hours of balloting for the annual election of Society officers be from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18, and from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Motion carried.

President Grussendorf asked Mr. Rogers, chairman of the Special Awards Committee, to report on the work of his committee. Mr. Rogers reported that after very careful study of the applications received, the committee recommended two persons for Honorary Life Membership, nine persons for Certificate of Merit, and none for the Bronze Medal. In 1952 the Society introduced a new type of award, whereby a garden club could obtain an award by helping to organize another garden club or by increasing the membership of their own existing group by 30%. In recommending garden clubs to receive awards for assisting new groups to organize, the committee felt that it was necessary to consider as eligible, only those clubs who formed a new club and in addition made definite application for the award. In recommending groups for an award for having increased their own membership by 30%, the committee felt that it was necessary to adhere to the 30% membership increase even though this year this meant that some of the small groups only needed four or five new members to qualify. Mr. Rogers reported that to date there were twenty clubs that had increased their membership 30% or more, and ten who fulfilled the requirements in organizing a new group. This made a total of 30 groups entitled to a book award. Miss Fischer moved that the Board accept the report of the Awards Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

A list of the candidates recommended by the awards committee for Life Memberships and those recommended for Certificates of Merit together with a statement of the reason for each recommendation; also a list of the thirty garden clubs which were eligible for book awards is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Barclay moved that hereafter the rules regarding the new club organization contest and a condensed club organization report form be printed in the magazine. After a brief discussion Mr. Barclay withdrew his motion. Mr. Hunt suggested that the procedures in the awards project might well be considered a matter of policy. He further suggested that since a rather large sum of money would be

involved in securing the book awards, it might be well for the Budget and Policy together with the Awards Committee to make a thorough study of club awards and present their recommendations for Executive Board consideration. Mrs. Jensen moved that Mr. Hunt's suggestion be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Krause. Carried.

Mr. Grussendorf requested a report of the Budget and Policy Committee. Mr. Rice, chairman of the committee, stated that his committee had studied the treasurer's report for the fiscal year 1952-53 and, contingent on the report of the auditing committee, moved that the report be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Mr. Braden. Motion Carried.

Mr. Grussendorf then appointed Mr. Pederson and Mr. Turnquist as auditors to check these records.

Mr. Rice reported that his committee had met and agreed to recommend that the Executive Board adopt the proposed budget for 1953-54 prepared by the secretary. He explained that the proposed budget calls for the expenditure of the full amount of the projected income for that period. He noted however that the budget contains an "unassigned item" in the amount of $421.86, which may represent an unexpended balance, if it is not needed to supplement the other items in the budget. He stated that in the committee's opinion each year's budget should contain an item for the building up of an office equipment replacement fund, and while it did not appear possible to include such an item in this years budget consideration should be given this matter in future budgets. It was noted that the projected income included increased receipts from membership in the amount of approximately $1,000 and from advertising in the amount of approximately $360. The budget also included and increase of $300 in the salary of the Secretary and an increase of $518 for magazine printing. Mr. Pederson moved that the proposed budget be adopted. Seconded and carried.

A copy of the Treasurer's report for the fiscal year 1952-53 together with a copy of the proposed budget for the year 1953-54 is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Discussion was heard concerning possible means of substantially increasing the membership of the Society and the income from magazine advertising. Dr. Snyder stated that there are many study groups throughout the state which are interested in horticultural subjects and whose membership might be considered eligible for membership in the State Horticultural Society at the club rate. He suggested that serious thought be given to increasing membership by cooperating with these groups. Mr. Winter moved that the whole matter be referred to the Executive Committee for future study. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt mentioned that he had conferred with Dr. Snyder regarding a date for the Fruit Farm Visitor's Day and Saturday, September 26, seemed to be the most satisfactory time. Mr. Barry moved that the date of September 26 be approved. Motion seconded and carried.

At 8:55, Mr. Pederson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded and Carried.

E. M. Hunt

President Secretary

List of those recommended for awards, and reasons for each award:

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Leon C. Snyder - 2128 Knapp Street, St. Paul 8
For Outstanding and persistent effort in the promotion of horticulture and the gathering and disseminating of horticultural information throughout Minnesota.

To Mrs. Sprague Gee - 2724 Huntington Avenue, Minneapolis 16
For Long and faithful service in the unselfish promotion of many phases of gardening and garden organization work.

AWARD OF MERIT

To Mrs. Anton Claus - Route 1, Brainerd
For Meritorious service and leadership in the promotion of gardening.

To Mrs. E. L. Swanson - 2801 Jefferson Street, Duluth 5B
For Leadership in gardening and garden club work.

To Mrs. Robert Macdonald - 330 West Winona Street, Duluth 3
For Leadership in gardening and garden club work.

To Mrs. D. J. Laurin - Littlefork
For Leadership in gardening and community improvement.

To Mrs. William Demmers - 810 South 8th, Brainerd
For Meritorious service and leadership in garden club activities.

To Mrs. Louise Wenner - Roseau
For Meritorious community service in gardening.

To Mrs. A. G. Alden - 2830 Ulysses St. N.E., Minneapolis 13
For Leadership in gardening organization work.

To Mrs. A. H. Adams - 3611 Garfield Ave. S., Minneapolis 9
For Leadership in gardening organization work.

To Mrs. Birda Ridley - 815 St. Anthony Avenue, St. Paul 4
For Outstanding service in organizing and promoting garden club work.

TREASURER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1953

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

	Society Funds	State Funds	Total Society and State Funds	
Balance in Treasury, July 1, 1952	$	$	$	$7,289.07
Receipts				
Memberships	8,545.00		8,545.00	
Advertising	3,106.42		3,106.42	
"Garden Information" folders	210.30		210.30	
Poison Bait	446.06		446.06	
Bound Volumes	11.75		11.75	
Magazines	14.15		14.15	
Interest	52.50		52.50	
Prints & Stationery	1,389.97		1,389.97	
Stationery Sales Commission	55.10		55.10	
Annual Convention	1,030.00		1,030.00	
Reimbursements, Exhibit table repairs	40.00		40.00	
Reimbursements, Miscellaneous	66.91		66.91	
Miscellaneous	16.40		16.40	
Increments on U.S. Defense Bonds	105.00		105.00	
Funds Received from State Appropriation		7,499.62	7,499.62	
	$15,089.56	$7,499.62	$22,589.18	22,589.18
				29,878.25
Disbursements				
Salaries	4,150.00	6,950.00	11,100.00	
Retirement Assessments	117.00		117.00	
Advertising Commission	776.54		776.54	
Travel, Secretary	184.63	41.50	226.13	
Travel, Executive Board	265.45		265.45	
Printing & Engraving				
Magazine, Printing	5,034.60		5,034.60	
Magazine, Illustrations	644.69		644.69	
Forms	66.50	28.16	94.66	
Mimeographing	87.05		87.05	
"Garden Information" folders	478.75		478.75	
Postage	45.00	443.50	488.50	
Office Supplies	178.30	36.46	214.76	
Insurance	90.78		90.78	
Telephone & Telegraph	26.90		26.90	
Equipment				
Addressograph	6.90		6.90	
Library & Visual Aids	112.52		112.52	
Annual Convention	1,508.69		1,508.69	
Awards, Special	20.90		20.90	
Awards, Youth	18.90		18.90	
Awards, Garden Club	85.50		85.50	
Prints & Stationery	970.01		970.01	
Poison Bait	415.38		415.38	
Miscellaneous	44.55		44.55	
Total, Disbursements	$15,329.54	$7,499.62	$22,829.16	22,829.16
				$ 7,049.09

Recapitulation, as of June 30, 1953

Life Membership Fund (U.S. Defense and Savings Bonds)	$ 5,040.00
Current Funds (Checking Account, St.Anthony Park State Bank,St.Paul)	2,009.09
	$ 7,049.09

1953-1954

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

ESTIMATED INCOME

		Society Funds	State Funds	Total Society and State Funds
		$	$	$
Memberships				
Direct	1,166.00			
Agency	84.00			
Affiliate	7,891.00			
Term-3 yr.	390.00			
Life	50.00	9,581.00		9,581.00
Advertising		3,466.42		3,466.42
"Garden Information" folders		80.00		80.00
Poison Bait		430.00		430.00
Bound Volumes		11.75		11.75
Magazines		14.15		14.15
Interest (bonds)		90.00		90.00
Increments (bonds)		60.00		60.00
Prints & Stationery		1,100.00		1,100.00
Stationery Sales Commission		55.10		55.10
Reimbursements		66.91		66.91
Miscellaneous		16.40		16.40
State Appropriation			7,500.00	7,500.00
		$14,971.73	$7,500.00	$22,471.73

PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN

Salaries			
Secretary-Treasurer	2,800.00	3,200.00	6,000.00
Principal Clerk	600.00	2,400.00	3,000.00
Clerk-Typist	522.00	1,878.00	2,400.00
Retirement Assessments	100.00		100.00
Advertising Commission	866.54		866.54
Speakers (Dist.)	90.00		90.00
Travel, Secretary	225.00		225.00
Travel, Executive Board	215.00		215.00
Printing & Engraving			
Magazine, Printing	5,553.00		5,553.00
Magazine, Illustrations	585.00		585.00
Miscellaneous Printing	94.50		94.50
Mimeographing	87.05		87.05
Bound Volumes	48.75		48.75
Postage	520.00		520.00
Office Supplies	143.00	22.00	165.00
Insurance	90.78		90.78
Telephone & Telegraph	26.90		26.90
Equipment	145.00		145.00
Addressograph	133.00		133.00
Library & Visual Aids	100.00		100.00
Annual Convention	300.00		300.00
Awards, Special	20.90		20.90
Awards, Youth	18.90		18.90
Awards, Garden Club	120.00		120.00
Prints & Stationery	700.00		700.00
Poison Bait	400.00		400.00
Miscellaneous	44.55		44.55
Unalloted	421.86		421.86
	$14,971.73	$7,500.00	$22,471.73

Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 19, 1953
Faribault Hotel, Faribault, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Rogers.

Board members present were: Dana Rogers, D.T. Grussendorf, Fred Braden, Helen Johnson, Mrs. Oscar Ludvigsen, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Durant Barclay, Leon C. Snyder, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Charles Okken, Mrs. Cortis N. Rice, Jr., E.M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held July 31, 1953, at the St. Matthews Episcopal Church Basement, St. Paul, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Reference was made to the "Club President Luncheon", and the consensus was that the luncheon was a success and that it was desirable to hold another in connection with the next annual meeting.

Mr. Rogers requested that the secretary send a copy of the Society constitution to each of the Executive Board members.

The 1953 Auditors' report was read by the secretary.

Mr. Hunt reported on the Society headquarters booth at the State Fair, stating that 150 new members were enrolled, and that approximately $150 net profit was made from the sale of Barton-Cotton stationery.

Mr. Rice stated that the Society should be most appreciative to the local convention committee and the commercial companies who sponsored the meeting in Faribault, and he moved that the secretary be authorized to send "thank you" letters to all who participated in making the convention a success. Seconded and carried.

After a brief discussion of plans for the next annual meeting, three sponsoring groups were suggested as possibilities: the people of Mankato, commercial nurserymen in the Twin Cities, and the Men's Garden Club of Minneapolis. Mrs. Evans said she would contact the people of Mankato regarding the holding of the next annual meeting in that city.

Mr. Grussendorf stated that the Executive Committee had been composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two alternates. He moved that Mr. Rogers appoint the two alternates to serve on this committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Evans moved that Mr. Grussendorf and Mr. Okken serve on the Auditing Committee. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Braden moved that the Executive Committee be delegated to appoint the members of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee after Dr. Snyder and Mr. Hunt had made a study of who might be available to serve on this committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Grussendorf moved that it be investigated whether the Executive Board Meeting, customarily held on the last evening of the convention, might be held at some other time possibly some time earlier during the convention. Seconded by Mr. Braden. Carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that the 1954 Convention Committee be instructed to give very careful consideration as to the location on the program of the reports which are so time consuming. Seconded by Mr. Grussendorf. Carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Miss Johnson. Carried.

Howard Boyer
President

E. M. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, May 27, 1954
University St.Paul Campus Cafeteria

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 P.M. by President Rogers.

Board members present: Dana Rogers, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Charles Okken, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Mrs. G.C. Tyler, Helen Fischer, G.Victor Lowrie, Mrs. Harold Wendorf, Mrs. Ralph Wells, E.M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held September 19, 1953, at the Faribault Hotel, Faribault, Minnesota, were approved as read.

President Rogers asked Mr. Lowrie, chairman of the Publications Committee, to report on the work of his committee. Mr. Lowrie, in his very excellent and detailed report, specifically recommended a change in publishing dates of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" as follows: It is recommended that separate September and October issues be published; and that the January and February issues, heretofore published separately be combined into a single issue. The Committee further recommended that Messrs. Rice, Witmer, and Lowrie and an additional person to be selected from the University Farm staff be listed on the masthead of the HORTICULTURIST as Assistant Editors.

The Publication Committee report stated that advertising sales for the past two years, and particularly for the past year, had not reached expectations. Although no specific solution was offered the report recommended that serious consideration be given the problem of increasing advertising income, including the possibility of securing more effective promotion of advertising sales.

Mr. Rice stated that the Budget and Policy Committee had very carefully studied the report and was in full accord with the recommendations. Mr. Rice moved that the Publication Committee report be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

President Rogers asked the treasurer to report on the finances of the Society. Mr. Hunt reported that after a careful study of the income and expenditures for the fiscal year up to May 1, and the anticipated receipts and expenditures for May and June, it appeared that even though receipts will be less than originally expected, the expenditures had been reduced in like amount so that the Society expenditures for the fiscal year will approximately balance income for the same period.

The President asked for a report of the Budget and Policy Committee. Mr. Rice reported that his committee had consulted with Mr. Hunt in regard to a proposed budget for the coming year and requested that Mr. Hunt explain some of the main points of the proposed budget. Mr. Rice explained that his committee recommended the adoption of this budget on the overall basis which includes the individual items but not necessarily the amount attributed to each individual item. Mr. Rice moved that the proposed budget be adopted. Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Dr. Snyder gave a brief synopsis of the origin of the "Plant Minnesota Program", mentioning the work of organizations in Minnesota which are doing planting promotion and educational work in their particular fields, as well as the "Plant America" program being carried out in Ohio and Iowa. Dr. Snyder indicated that probably the failure of the original "Plant Minnesota" program was due to lack of leadership and a general sponsor. He reported that at the suggestion of the president of the Minnesota Nurserymen's Association, a group of persons interested in re-activating a "Plant Minnesota" program met on March 29 and again on April 5. This group decided that a sponsor was needed and agreed that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society was the logical organization to assume this sponsorship. He reported that the

Minnesota Nurserymen's Association had indicated their willingness to give financial support to a "Plant Minnesota" committee under the sponsorship of the Society, and suggested that it would be necessary for such a committee to have the services of a committee secretary at a modest salary. Dr. Snyder moved that the Executive Board authorize President Rogers to appoint a special committee to investigate the possibility of securing a "Plant Minnesota" committee secretary and definite commitments of financial support. Motion seconded by Mr. Lowrie. Carried.

Mr. Hunt explained that Show Standard mimeograph material had been printed during the past year and had been mailed at different times to each affiliated garden club. He explained how and why the Flower Arranging and Judging Short Course had been set up for June 5, and reported that a booklet containing the show standards mimeograph material was being prepared for use in connection with the short course. In answer to the question as to whether "Show Standards" booklets could be purchased by members not attending the Short Course, Dr. Snyder moved that it be left up to Mr. Hunt as to the number of booklets that might be needed for sale to members and how much to charge for them. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

At the request of President Rogers, Miss Fischer discussed the Budget and Policy Committee recommendation in regard to the Society booth at the State Fair. Miss Fischer moved that in accordance with the Policy Committee's recommendation a Society headquarters and educational booth be maintained at the State Fair and that it be staffed by volunteer Society members. Seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

Mr. Rice discussed the Society's need of a membership committee for the purpose of more effectively promoting increased membership and particularly for securing the affiliation of organized garden club groups. Mr. Rice moved that the president be authorized to appoint a membership committee. Seconded by Mrs. Wendorf. Carried.

Mr. Hunt briefly outlined the plans for the Annual Meeting at Mankato as developed by the program committee and the convention committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Scherer.

Discussion followed concerning the time to be set for balloting, the time scheduled for the "Leadership Conference", and whether or not an executive board meeting is to be scheduled during the annual meeting. Mrs. Jensen moved that the executive committee investigate the time of the "Leadership Conference" and the time of balloting at the annual meeting and that they be authorized to make decisions in regard to these as well as whether or not a board meeting is to be held durihg the annual meeting.
Seconded by Miss Fischer. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Donald Rogers
President

Ed W. Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, July 29, 1954
St.Matthews Episcopal Church Basement, St.Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by President Rogers.

Present were: Dana A. Rogers, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Charles Okken, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. Oscar Ludvigson, Eldred Buer, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Ewald Hermes, Mrs. G.C. Tyler, Vincent K. Bailey, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. Harold Wendorf, Mrs. Ralph Wells, E.M. Hunt, Mrs. Cortis N. Rice, Jr., and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held May 27, 1954, at the University St.Paul Campus Cafeteria, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954. Mr. Bailey moved to accept the Treasurer's Report contingent upon verification of the accounts by the Auditing Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Evans. Carried.

Mr. Hunt explained the proposed spending plan as set up for each year of the Biennium, July 1955 to July 1957, and the necessity of asking the Legislature for an annual appropriation of $8,750 for the next biennium. (This is the same amount as was requested of the past legislature.) Mrs. Jensen moved that the Executive Board approve the Biennial Budget as recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee. Seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt briefly explained the general plans for the annual meeting and the main items on the program. He stated that individual mailings would not be made to members of the Society this year; however a card insert was being placed in each copy of the August "Horticulturist". This card would list hotel and motel rates and the detachable card could be used for making reservations for rooms as well as the Banquet and Leadership Conference Dinner.

The secretary stated that the hours for balloting were listed as follows:
August 20, 12:00 to 3:30 p.m.
August 21, 9:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Mr. Rice moved that these hours be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Swenson. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that Mrs. Bezat had consented to take charge of the Society State Fair Information Booth and that she had formulated some definite plans for setting up the displays and contacting affiliated groups for volunteers for attending the booth; thus giving our Society members a chance to actively take part in this important Society project.

Mr. Bailey reported on the work of the "Plant Minnesota" committee. He stated that as the Horticultural Society had been asked to sponsor the "Plant Minnesota" project the committee had investigated the possibility of securing a secretary. The nurserymen have not committed themselves but they feel that necessary funds will be available to carry this through. The committee contacted one or two men that might be available and found that their services would be very costly. The committee received considerable assurance that the Department of Agriculture would bear part of the expense of a pamphlet to be distributed throughout the state. It was estimated that the program might cost $3000 to $5000 the first year. The committee felt the best plan would be to work through the Commissioner of Agriculture's office. Commissioner Clark said that he would investigate the actual cost of the printing of the pamphlet.

Mr. Hunt reported that he and Dr. Snyder had contacted Mr. Speer as the committee had requested, in regard to a promotion program.

President Rogers asked the secretary to report on the work of the Awards Committee. Mr. Hunt gave a brief resume of the basis of each of the three special awards, and then stated that after a very careful study of the applications received, the committee recommended two persons for Honorary Life Memberships, two persons for the Bronze Medal, and fourteen persons for the Certificate of Merit. Mrs. Ludvigson moved that the board accept the report of the Awards Committee. Seconded by Mr. Okken. Motion carried.

A list of the candidates recommended by the awards committee for Life Memberships, for the Bronze Medal, and for Certificates of Merit together with a statement of the reason for each recommendation is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Hunt stated that the Awards Committee had examined the Society records regarding the organization of new affiliated groups and the increased membership of the garden clubs and that book awards would be made to all groups which had met the Contest Rules.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Society membership was on the increase. Fifty-five new garden clubs had affiliated since August 15, 1953, and there was an increase of 717 members over the 1953 record.

Mr. Hunt reported that the matter of seeking help from the National Council of State Garden Clubs had come up for discussion during the judges' conference sponsored by the Show Standards Committee on June 27, He stated that there was considerable difference of opinion regarding the merit of cooperating with that organization.

After a brief discussion, the consensus of the board was to hold the first meeting of the new board some time after the annual meeting rather than during the convention.

At 9:35 p.m., Mr. Okken moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

Dana A Rogers
President

E W Hunt
Secretary

List of award recipients for 1954 to be presented August 21, at the Banquet meeting of The Society's 88th Annual Meeting - Mankato.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Mrs. A. A. Eckley, 3024 Irving Ave. S., Minneapolis 8
For Outstanding service and leadership in horticulture

To Louis R. Fischer, Croix Farms, R. 4, Hastings
For Outstanding service and leadership in horticulture

BRONZE MEDAL

To Mrs. Paul Barney, 126 Clark Street, Mankato
For An outstanding contribution to horticulture

AWARD OF MERIT (For meritorious service in the promotion of horticulture)

To: Erhard A. Anderson, Stephen, Minnesota

Mrs. Herbert Anderson, Route 6, Brainerd

Mrs. Oscar A. Anderson, 909 Arrowhead Road, Duluth 3

Mrs. R. N. Anderson, Brainerd

Henry C. A. Bachman, 5900 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis 19

Mrs. James Bezat, 6633 First Avenue South, Minneapolis 23

Mrs. W. H. Crone, 3723 Lyndale Avenue North, Minneapolis 12

Mrs. Esther Johnson, Darfur

Mrs. C. C. Langseth, Worthington

Mrs. Charles Loff, Roseau

Sidney Sampson, 123 - 98th Avenue West, Duluth 8

Mrs. R. J. Swanson, Red Wing

Mrs. M. L. Ulwelling, Austin

George W. Nelson, 4638 - 18th Avenue South, Minneapolis 7

Executive Board Meeting, October 15, 1954
Hotel Curtis, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rogers at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Dana A. Rogers, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., D.T. Grussendorf, Vincent Bailey, Mrs. Oscar Ludvigsen, Mrs. George J. Kelly, Mrs. G.C. Tyler, Mrs. Harold Wednorf, T. C. Solem, Charles Okken, Mrs. Ralph Wells, Mrs. B.I. Evans, G.Victor Lowrie, Harold Kaufmann, Dr. L.C. Snyder, Mrs. Frank Jensen, E.M. Hurt.

The new board members -- Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Lowrie, Mr. Kaufmann, and Mr. Solem were introduced by President Rogers.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on July 29, 1954, at the St.Matthews Episcopal Church, St.Paul, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

The secretary briefly reviewed the annual meeting held at Mankato. He reported that although attendance was lower than anticipated it was a successful meeting from the standpoint of a well presented program and enthusiastic participation by the members in attendance. He commented on the fine work done by the convention committee under the chairmanship of Mr. W.P. Scherer, both in arranging facilities and in securing local financial help. Discussion followed concerning the costs assumed by local sponsoring groups and methods of raising funds for annual conventions.

The secretary reported that 120 members from 14 Twin-City Area garden clubs had successfully operated a Horticultural Society gardening information booth at the State Fair. The project was under the general chairmanship of Mrs. James Bezat. In addition to answering thousands of gardening questions the booth attendants sold 91 memberships in the Society. After discussion of the merit of this type of public service, Mr. Bailey moved that the Society's State Fair information booth be continued. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mrs. Bezat, acknowledging her good work in supervising the operation of the 1954 State Fair project. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Grussendorf who is a member of the board of directors of the State Agricultural Society was asked to explain the work of his group and the relationship of the Horticultural Society and similar affiliated groups to the Agricultural Society and State Fair. Mr. Grussendorf pointed out that all state-wide agricultural organizations have a voice in the management of the State Fair and solicited continued interest in and support of this project.

Mr. Hunt reported that cash funds of the Society were not sufficient to pay obligations anticipated in the next 60 days. He further explained that the emergency was of only temporary nature since the spending plan for the year is based on income receivable later in the fiscal year. Mr. Grussendorf moved that the secretary negotiate a loan of $1,000 for a 60-day period. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lowrie, and carried.

Dr. Snyder reported for his committee which had been previously appointed for the purpose of investigating the possibility of initiating a "Plant Minnesota" program. He reported that representatives of the committee had discussed the program and the possibility of obtaining state funds with Governor Anderson and Commissioner of Agriculture Myron Clark. He stated that there seems to be little possibility of securing state funds for this purpose in the immediate future. He reaffirmed the

committee opinion that such a program would be worthwhile even though it might have to be developed in its early stages with limited funds and personnel. Dr. Snyder then moved that the Horticultural Society accept responsibility for the sponsorship of a Plant Minnesota program within the limits of resources that may become available. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt briefly reviewed the Society's cooperation with the management of the 1954 Minneapolis Builders Show in staging horticultural exhibits. He stated that a request for similar cooperation with the 1955 show had been received from Mrs. Bezat who is in charge of the horticulture section. Mrs. Jensen moved that the Society offer its cooperation to Mrs. Bezat in the matter of securing exhibits for the horticulture section of the Builders Show, and that the Society recommend that all exhibits over which she has supervision be educational and non-commercial in nature. The motion was seconded and carried.

President Rogers stated that in accordance with the by-laws the term of the secretary-treasurer would expire on December 31; and that a motion relative to the election of a secretary-treasurer for the two-year term beginning January 1, 1955 was in order. Mr. Lowrie moved that E.M. Hunt be re-elected secretary-treasurer for the two-year term beginning January 1, 1955. The motion was seconded by Dr. Snyder. Carried.

The question of the time and place for the holding of the 1955 annual meeting was discussed. The possibility of holding the meeting in conjunction with a University short course was suggested. Mr. Bailey moved that the president appoint a committee to investigate and report to the board regarding the date, place and nature of program proposed for the 1955 annual meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie, chairman of the publications committee, announced the resignation of Mr. H. M. Thompson as advertising representative for the Horticulturist. He stated that the committee is searching for an advertising representative and until such person is found will assist Mr. Hunt in advertising matters.

Mr. Rice commented on the desirability of notifying executive board members of the scheduling of district horticultural society meetings and urged attendance of board members at district meetings.

Dr. Snyder discussed the expanded activities of the University of Minnesota Department of Horticulture in the ornamental field. He stated that there is a great need by students, scientists and all other horticulturists in this Upper Mid-West area for a State arboretum. It was moved that the president appoint a committee to study the possibilities of a state arboretum.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Dana A Rogers
President

E M Hunt
Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, March 3, 1955
Hotel Curtis, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rogers at 7:15 p.m.

Present were: Dana A. Rogers, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Charles Okken, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Mrs. Sever Sletten, George W. Nelson, Gordon Bailey, Alfred J. Gorsky, Mrs. Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Joseph Witmer, O. A. Bandelin, Mrs. Leonard Hall, Mrs. Helen Nelson, E. M. Hunt, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on October 15, 1954, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Flack, chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Investigating Committee, reported on the work of his committee and concluded with the recommendation that the Society initiate a landscape arboretum project; that it appoint a regular landscape arboretum committee; and that this committee be authorized to proceed with the promotion of the project, including soliciting of funds.

Dr. Snyder stated that Dean Macy and Mr. Provost of the University had indicated their approval of the project as outlined by the committee.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the recommendations of the landscape arboretum investigating committee be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Rice.

Dr. Snyder suggested that the item in the recommendations in regard to the appointment of a regular committee be re-worded to allow the appointment of additional members to the committee.

Mrs. Jensen stated that she would include the revision of wording in her original motion. Mr. Rice, who seconded the motion, indicated his approval of the revision.

Mr. Rice stated that members of the Budget and Policy Committee had studied Mr. Flack's report and supported its recommendations. In order to correlate committee action with Society policy he offered an amendment as follows: "moved that the committee shall set up a procedure in regard to financial matters and secure Executive Committee approval of the procedure before taking action in regard to publicizing of the project or soliciting funds." Seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

A vote was then taken on Mrs. Jensen's motion, which in its revised and amended form reads as follows: "moved that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society sponsor a Landscape Arboretum Project, the objectives of which be those stated in the report of the Landscape Arboretum Investigating Committee; that the members of the present investigating committee be appointed as a regular landscape arboretum committee, to which additional members may be appointed as needed; that the resources and facilities of the Society, consistent with present budget and operating plans, be made available to the committee, and that the committee be authorized to seek the cooperation of press, radio, television and other organizations, groups and individuals in making generally known the objectives and needs of the project and for the purpose of soliciting funds for its support; and that the committee be instructed to set up a procedure in regard to financial matters and secure Executive Committee approval of the procedure before publicizing the project or soliciting funds." The motion carried.

Mrs. Sletten reported briefly on the organization of the new Twelfth District stating that representatives from various clubs and the State Society had met at Bemidji on January 15, at which time temporary officers and a constitution committee were appointed and the day of January 29 set for the official organization meeting. The representatives met on January 29, were very enthusiastic, and the new district was organized.

Mrs. Sletten stated that she, as state delegate of the Twelfth District Horticultural Society, had been instructed to extend to the State Society an invitation to hold the 1955 annual convention at Bemidji.

Dr. Snyder moved that the Twelfth District Society invitation to hold the 1955 annual convention at Bemidji be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Rice. Motion carried.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the president appoint a committee to work with the Twelfth District members in making plans for the convention. Motion seconded and carried.

After the discussion as to the best time to hold the annual convention it was agreed that the specific date be left up to the committee and the Bemidji members.

Dr. Snyder moved that the convention be held on a Friday and Saturday. Seconded by Mr. Okken. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey moved that the Show Standards Committee be authorized to decide whether there should be a short course on flower arranging held this year. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried.

Mr. Rogers informed the board that the State Society was the recipient of a fine set of Dahlia slides donated by the Minnesota Dahlia Society, and in behalf of the State Society thanked Mr. Gorsky for this excellent contribution and the splendid cooperation which the Dahlia Society members had exhibited.

Mr. Gorsky stated that the Dahlia Society members were at present working on another set of slides. He also stated that the Dahlia Society had accepted the State Fair invitation to hold the 1955 dahlia show in conjunction with the State Fair. He said that the society is planning a membership drive with the purpose of making the society truly State-wide in character.

The secretary read a letter from Mr. Grussendorf reporting the illness of Mr. Fred Braden, a former board member.

The secretary reported that he had sorted out approximately 1500 old books including broken sets of proceedings of horticultural societies, outdated reference and text books, and similar unused volumes which were taking up space urgently needed in the library and office. He stated that the University Institute of Agriculture librarian had advised him that he would like to have the privilege of examining these books and placing in the Institute of Agriculture library the ones they could use.

Mr. Bandelin moved that the secretary be authorized to dispose of the books to the University Institute of Agriculture Library. Seconded by Mr. Okken. Motion Carried.

Mr. Witmer reported briefly on the activities of the publications committee. He stated that the committee is particularly concerning itself at present with the matter of advertising in the "Horticulturist".

Mrs. Evans extended an invitation to board members to attend the Second District Society meeting to be held at Worthington on Tuesday, June 7, 1955.

Mr. Rice said that he thought it was the duty of the directors of the State Society to attend district meetings when possible, and to try and become acquainted with club leaders in different parts of the state. He suggested that district meetings be announced considerably in advance of meeting dates.

At 9:30 p.m. a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

President

Secretary

OBJECTIVES OF THE LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM PROJECT

(As stated in the report of the Landscape Arboretum Investigating Committee in its report to the Executive Board on March 3, 1955)

A. SHORT TIME OBJECTIVES

1. Publicize the need for an arboretum and for research in ornamentals.

2. Solicit funds for the expansion of the test plantings at the Fruit Breeding Farm. (An area of 8 to 10 acres can be developed into a small landscape arboretum without the acquisition of additional land.) Contributions are to be turned over to the Horticultural Research Budget in the Greater University Fund to the extent that funds may be needed for current operating expenses to supplement the University support for Woody Plants Testing and Breeding Project. Money in excess of these needs is to be held by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society in a special Arboretum Fund to be used at some future date for the establishment of a complete arboretum project in the event that plans for such complete project are developed and approved.

3. Provide a place where ornamentals can be examined and studied by schools, garden clubs, nurserymen, and interested individuals. (Such as the plantings mentioned above.)

B. LONG TIME OBJECTIVE

4. Continue to seek support for an Arboretum of ornamental plants with adequate staff, land and buildings to carry out a broad program of research, teaching and public service.

Executive Board Meeting, July 15, 1955
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rogers at 7:30 p.m.

Present were: Dana A. Rogers; Cortis N. Rice, Jr.; Mrs. E. L. Swanson; Mrs. Oscar Ludvigson; Mrs. Frank Jensen; L.C. Snyder; Mrs. Frank Pieschel; Mrs. Sever Sletten; Dr. Clarence Mickel; Mrs. Robert McDonald; Joseph M. Witmer; Mrs. Leonard Hall; Mrs. Cortis N. Rice, Jr; representing the Garden Flower Society; Mrs. A.W. Tenhoff, Chairman of the Awards Committee; Mrs. Harold Wendorf, representing the Show Standards Committee; Mrs. Myrle Kalbrener, General Chairman of the Annual Convention, and two of her assistants, Mrs. Ted Markus and Mrs. Iva Allen; E. M. Hunt; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on March 3, 1955, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1955. Dr. Snyder moved to accept the Treasurer's Report contingent on verification of the accounts by the Auditing Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

Mr. Rice, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, presented the Proposed Budget for the fiscal year 1955-56, and explained in some detail the various items in the budget. Mrs. Swanson moved that the Proposed Budget be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Dr. Snyder stated that the Budget and Policy Committee had studied the question of District Society Financial Support and that this committee recommended that State Society financial support to district horticultural societies be discontinued -- except that

(1) Districts newly organized within the last twelve-month period are eligible upon request to the secretary to receive reimbursement not to exceed $50 for speakers at regular district meetings.
(2) Districts in which there are definite financial emergencies, upon request to, and approval by, the executive committee, may receive from the State Society during any fiscal year not more than $50 for speakers at regular district meetings.
(3) This to become effective January 1, 1956.

Dr. Snyder moved that these recommendations be accepted. Mrs. Jensen seconded this motion. Carried.

Dr. Snyder stated that the Budget and Policy Committee had studied the cost of maintaining the loan slide sets; and that in order to continue and simplify this service, the committee proposed the following operation:

(a) Duplicates to be made of new sets, one set to be retained in the office.
(b) Discontinue the use of glass covers.
(c) A fee of $1.00 each be required for the booking of a loan slide set. Such fee to be paid in advance and accompany the request for each slide booking.
(d) Mimeographed notes to be mailed to user in letter with acknowledgment of booking. (Notes not to be returned)
(e) When request for booking is irregular, or can not be honored for other reasons, any fees will be immediately returned.

Dr. Snyder then moved that the loaning of lantern slide sets without payment of a service fee be discontinued, and that a fee of $1.00 be required for the booking of each loan slide set, -- such fee to be paid in advance and accompany the request for slide set booking. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Rice explained that the Budget and Policy Committee had examined the Program Manual prepared by Mr. Kahlert and although the committee thought this was a commendable piece of work, they did not feel that it was entirely applicable to Minnesota conditions and therefore recommended that a committee be appointed to prepare a program manual which would more nearly meet the needs of our garden clubs in Minnesota.

Dr. Snyder moved that a committee be appointed to prepare a program manual for Minnesota. Seconded by Mrs. McDonald. Motion carried.

Mrs. Kalbrener reported on the program plans for the annual convention to be held at Bemidji on August 19 and 20. She explained how this was to be a recreational as well as educational program, and urged each board member to attend and also publicize the meeting so as to secure a good attendance.

The president stated that the hours for balloting were listed as follows:
August 19, 1:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
August 20, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Mrs. Jensen moved that these hours be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Sletten. Motion carried.

Dr. Snyder reported on the Landscape Arboretum Project. He stated that several meetings of the committee had been held, and that Dr. Hard, Extension Horticulturist, had been appointed chairman of publicity. Additional members will be appointed so as to make this a state-wide committee. He also stated that receipts in the amount of $981.50 had been received from 54 donors.

Mrs. Tenhoff presented the report of the Awards Committee, recommending that twelve candidates receive the Certificate of Merit, three candidates receive Honorary Life Memberships, and one candidate receive a Bronze Medal. Mrs. Tenhoff also read the names of the garden clubs which, according to records in the Secretary's office, will be eligible for book awards in 1955. A discussion followed concerning the advisability of awarding more than two Honorary Life Memberships in any one year. Mrs. Hall moved that Mrs. Lund's name be removed from the list of candidates on the list recommended to receive Honorary Life Memberships and that her name be placed on the list recommended to receive an Award of Merit. Motion seconded by Dr. Snyder. Carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that the Award Committee report be accepted and placed on file; and that the awarding of an Honorary Life Membership to Mrs. Willis A. Swanman and Mrs. Clyde C. Chamberlin; a Bronze Medal to Horace C. Klein; and an Award of Merit to Mrs. Stanley Lund in addition to the twelve Award of Merit candidates recommended by the Committee, be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. Sletten. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients together with a statement of the reason for each award is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mrs. Wendorf, substituting for Mrs. Lund, Co-Chairman of the Show Standards Committee, read the minutes of their last meeting and also read a report which had been prepared by the committee for presentation to the Executive Board.

Mr. Rice moved to accept the very excellent report given by Mrs. Wendorf. Seconded by Mrs. Hall. Carried.

Considerable discussion followed concerning the recommendations contained in the report, particularly that of immediate appointment of a committee to investigate National Council of Garden Clubs matters.

Mrs. Wendorf moved that the president appoint additional members to the Show Standards Committee in order to make the committee fully representative of all phases, sections

and interests of the State Society and direct that committee to familiarize itself in detail with the National Council of Garden Clubs and gather information from other states whose situations are similar, and to study the advantages and disadvantages of affiliation of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society with the National Council of Garden Clubs. Seconded by Dr. Snyder. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

President

Secretary

Horticultural Society Awards to be presented August 19, at the Banquet meeting of the Society's 89th Annual Meeting - Bemidji.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To Mrs. Willis A. Swanman, 5232 Glendale St., Duluth 4, Minn.
For Outstanding service and leadership in horticulture

To Mrs. Clyde C. Chamberlin, 4715 Zenith Ave., Minneapolis 10, Minn.
For Outstanding service and leadership in horticulture

BRONZE MEDAL

To Horace C. Klein, 1668 Delaware Avenue, St.Paul 7, Minn.
For Outstanding Contributions in The Promotion of Horticulture

AWARD OF MERIT (For Meritorious service in the promotion of horticulture)

To:

Mrs. Ted Banke, Elk River, Minn.

Mrs. Fred Brown, Faribault, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Erickson, Pencer, Minn.

J. W. Kauffman, Cass Lake, Minn.

Mrs. Stanley Lund, 5328 Brookview Ave., Minneapolis 10, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Micko, 602 West Wheelock Parkway, St.Paul 3, Minn.

Mrs. Lucille Miller, Verndale, Minn.

Mrs. John Schwab, Comfrey, Minn.

Mrs. W. H. Webking, 605 Fourth Avenue, Brainerd, Minn.

Mrs. Oscar C. Wenborg, 7116 Second Avenue South, Minneapolis 23, Minn.

Mrs. Roy Wherland, 3525 West Fourth Ave., Hibbing, Minn.

Mrs. R. J. Chruden, 2425 Branch St., Duluth 5, Minn.

Mrs. B. A. Jansen, Hallock, Minn.

Executive Board Meeting, September 30, 1955
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:15 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Mrs. B.I. Evans, Mrs. Fred Multaler, G.Victor Lowrie, Mrs. Oscar Ludvigson, Charles Okken, L.C. Snyder, Dana Rogers, Durant Barclay, Mrs. Sever Sletten, Gordon Bailey, Dr. Clarence Mickel, Mrs. E.J. Koempel, Mrs. Robert McDonald, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. Helen Nelson; Mrs. Verl E. Nicholson, substituting for Mrs. E.L. Swanson; Mrs. Harold W. Wendorf, representing the Richfield Garden Club; Mrs. Stanley Lund, Chairman of the Show Standards Committee; E. M. Hunt; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on July 15, 1955, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Rice asked Mrs. Sletten to report on the annual meeting. Mrs. Sletten stated that every thing went along very well with the convention; however she suggested that when the annual meeting is sponsored by a district organization that the district flower show should not be held at the same time as the convention as those persons who take part in the staging of the show are unable to help with or attend the convention program.

The chairman explained that according to the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws the board shall appoint three committees; namely, the Executive Committee, Auditing Committee, and the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee; and that by tradition the Executive Committee had consisted of the president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and two alternates chosen from the board members.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that G. Victor Lowrie and Leon Snyder be appointed to serve as alternates on the Executive Committee, along with the three regular officers, Mr. Rice, president, Mrs. Jensen, vice-president; and Mr. Hunt, secretary-treasurer. The motion seconded by Mrs. Ludvigson. Carried.

Mr. Barclay moved that Dana Rogers and Mrs. E. J. Koempel serve as Auditors. Seconded by Mrs. Sletten. Motion carried.

The secretary explained briefly the origin of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors' Committee and its present duties. Dr. Snyder stated that in his opinion a part of the old committee should be retained in order to assure continuity of policy.

Mr. Okken moved that Louis Fischer be appointed as chairman of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee, and that the other members of this committee be as follows: Victor Leidel, Vincent Bailey, T.L. Aamodt, Bj Loss, Archie Flack. Motion seconded by Mr. Lowrie. Carried.

President Rice stated that he would like to have G. Victor Lowrie serve as Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, and J.M. Witmer serve as Chairman of the Publications Committee.

Mr. Hunt reported that cash funds of the Society were not sufficient to pay obligations anticipated in the next ninety days. He explained that the emergency was of only temporary nature since the spending plan for the year is based on income receivable later in the fiscal year. He further explained that approximately $2000 more would be needed in order to meet outstanding bills and necessary expenses for the next three months. He pointed out that the Society had reserve funds in the form of United States bonds and in Minnesota Federal Savings Certificates. He suggested that the Society could meet this emergency by either cashing some of the bonds or negotiating a loan on the Minnesota Federal Savings Certificate.

Mr. Rogers moved that this financial matter be taken up with the Budget and Policy Committee and that it should be left to the discretion of this committee as to whether United States Bonds be cashed or a loan negotiated to meet this emergency. Motion seconded by Mrs. Ludvigson. Carried.

The following motion was duly seconded and carried:

"Resolved that E. M. Hunt, secretary-treasurer, is authorized to receive and hold the funds of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and pay out same on orders signed by Cortis N. Rice, Jr., president."

Mrs. Lund, Chairman of the Show Standards Committee, reported on the work of her committee and on the Flower Arranging and Judging Short Course held September 29 and 30. She stated that excellent attendance at the Short Course showed widespread interest in this project. Over 300 persons attended the Short Course on the first day, and 79 took part in the flower judging workshop the second day. Many persons had to be turned away from the workshop session because of limited facilities. Mrs. Lund stated that she believed the Society should sponsor circuit tours, which would enable meetings similar to the recent Short Course meetings to be held in various parts of the state. An out-of-state lecturer might be obtained for such a tour, or, Mrs. Lund stated, there are Minnesota flower arrangers and judges who are capable of lecturing and demonstrating the basic principles to district groups.

Mr. Rogers moved that Mrs. Lund, as Chairman of the Show Standards Committee, investigate the possibility of the Society conducting an appropriate number of circuit tour meetings on flower arranging and judging during the coming year. Motion seconded by Mr. Mickel. Carried.

Discussion followed concerning other duties of the committee including the previous board meeting resolution directing the committee to study garden club federations and the National Council of State Garden Clubs. The concensus was that responsibility for show standards study and instruction was sufficient work for one committee.

It then was moved that the president appoint a special committee, separate from the Show Standards committee to investigate the desirability of the State Horticultural Society affiliating with the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. Seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Rice read letters from Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Flagstad, in which some of the needs of members in their areas were mentioned. Following this each board member present briefly discussed needs, ideas, and projects which might be considered in planning Society work for the comming year. These comments and suggestions are attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Nicholson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mrs. Sletten. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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President Secretary

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS:

Mrs. Jensen -
District meetings should have good programs on artistic arrangements
Training of judges needed.
Enthuse members to work for more members and new clubs.
A series of articles on club leadership training.

Mrs. Flagstad -
Her club would like to have a testing area for the Arboretum in the Northwestern part of the state.
There is a definite need for judging schools in the northern part of the state.

Mrs. Evans -
Need help in securing material for better programs.
Instruction in flower arranging and training of judges.
Members in her area need some work or hope that flower arranging and judges training sessions will be held in that part of the state.
Suggestions and helps for organizing new clubs, which could be presented to delegates attending new Fourth District organization meeting, so that these delegates could go back and organize new clubs in their area.

Mrs. Koempel -
Many of the Twin City people are capable of giving instructions in a beginners school on flower arranging and training of judges. A pair or team could go to a small town and give fundamentals on flower arranging or judging. The local group pay the necessary expenses involved.
Set up through the State Society a clearing house of dates for flower shows so that all the shows couldn't come so near the same time.

Mr. Barclay -
There is great need for instruction in the fundamental principles of landscaping new bungalow type homes in the new mining towns.
Slides showing different landscaping principles.
Leaflets or bulletins showing different designs and materials suitable for these specific homes.
Article needed every fall on care and fall watering of evergreens.

Mrs. Multaler -
Suggested that a few simple landscape designs be worked out and have these mimeographed in large quantities and placed where they could be easily obtained by the owners of these small homes.
Strong need for coordinating the training of judges so that judging will be similar in all parts of the state.

Mrs. Wendorf -
Thought it might be well to start garden clubs in these mining areas, then it would be easier for the County Agent or other speakers to give help to a larger number by working with a group of owners at garden club meetings.
Great need for definite program helps for the small clubs.
Suggested a column in the "Horticulturist" on program ideas and what is being done in other clubs throughout the state.
Suitable program material for each month.

Mr. Witmer -
Suggested a broader approach to the problems already suggested. These problems and ways of solving them should be kept in front of the members. If our publication is to be worthy of its name, our members should make use of it by presenting their ideas and projects so that they can be used in the

magazine thus bringing them before all the members. Work and plans of the garden clubs can also be publicized in local papers.

Dr. Snyder -
Wished to remind the members that the Society has other problems than flower arranging. We must accept responsibility as educators in all phases of horticulture.
Suggested that the Society Secretary write a letter to the Agricultural Extension Service, stating the need for a bulletin on perennials, asking high priority on printing such a bulletin.

Mr. Okken -
Suggested that we need more short articles in the magazine.
He likes the articles in the Wisconsin magazine that were written by the members themselves.
Stated that while the errors in home landscaping were not quite as noticable in areas of older homes, the use of wrong materials and designs were just as prevalent as in the newer settlements.

Mr. Rogers -
How can we get more men interested in becoming members and in attending garden club meetings?

Mr. Lowrie -
Can a distribution piece, similar to the Garden Information folder but containing basic information on landscaping, be devised for more general distribution.
Encourage garden clubs to report to the state office any unusual methods of getting members, or raising money.

Mrs. Nelson -
A big problem in the Bloomington area is to achieve any success with landscaping in their sandy soil.
There is a definite lack of leadership in the small clubs.

Mrs. Ludvigson -
There is a definite need for dividing the first district.
A bulletin is needed on perennials for Minn., and use of annuals in bedding.
Small clubs need help in planning programs and securing materials for their programs.
Club leadership training is needed.
Radio and T.V. programs might be a benefit in advertising better gardening methods.

Mrs. Sletten -
Suggested that each club send in to the State Office an account of its programs and projects; such accounts would help other groups.
Need training in garden club leadership.
Would like more information on National Council requirements. Members in her club will not O.K. higher fees than they are now paying. They prefer to belong to the State Society.

Mrs. McDonald -
Liked the articles on flower arranging in the last two issues of the Horticulturist. These are excellent for beginner arrangers.
Thought the members in Duluth could sponsor meetings, similar to the recent Short Course.
Would like to see more state-wide publicity on the Arboretum Project.

Mrs. Nicholson -
Asked about the status of the loan slides.

Executive Board Meeting, December 9, 1955
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:15 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N.Rice,Jr., Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. B.I. Evans, G. Victor Lowrie, Charles Okken, Mrs. Fred Multaler, L.C. Snyder, Dana Rogers, ~~L.C. Snyder~~, Mrs. M.C. Senne, Mrs. E.J. Koempel, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. Leonard Hall, Mrs. Dorothy Menalis, Mrs. Helen Nelson, Mrs. Arthur Ingleston, E.M. Hunt; J.D. Winter representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Mrs. Harold Wendorf, Chairman of the Show Standards Committee; Archie Flack, chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Committee; Dr. A.E. Hutchins, chairman, also Miss Helen Fischer, Miss Alice Berry, and Mrs. Chester C. Carpenter, representing the Committee to Investigate Affiliation with National Council; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on September 30, 1955, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary. Included with the minutes were comments and suggestions made by board members regarding projects and work for the Society during the coming year. The minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Flack, chairman of the Arboretum Committee, reported on the work of his committee. He stated that the committee met regularly during the year to plan procedures and methods to accomplish the objectives of the project; a "press announcement" meeting was held last June at the University Fruit Breeding Farm at Excelsior; Dr. Hard was appointed Publicity Chairman for the project; and a brochure is being prepared. He further stated that the response in the form of donations from the garden organizations throughout the state had been very gratifying; and that the present committee would continue as a steering committee, but additional appointments should be made in order to give the committee the benefit of state-wide representation.

Mrs. Hall suggested that it might be worthwhile to present information about the arboretum project to children through the schools. Mrs. Koempel added that she had discussed this matter with the Superintendent of the school in her neighborhood.

Mrs. Wendorf reported that the Show Standards Committee had held a meeting on November 29, to investigate the possibility of sponsoring Short Course meetings on flower arranging and judging in various parts of the state, and that letters had been written to the presidents of the second, fourth, sixth, and eighth districts to find out if there was sufficient interest in their areas to sponsor such meetings. She stated that Mrs. Gee, committee secretary, was corresponding with Mrs. Brooks to see if she would be available to talk at these meetings. She stated that the first series of meetings would be planned with the amateur in mind; a later series, possibly in the Twin Cities, Duluth, and Rochester, would be designed for the more advanced workers.

Mrs. Jensen stated that she was quite sure the Sixth District would be in favor of having a meeting in their district. Mrs. Senne said that her own club at Fairmont was very enthusiastic about such a meeting, but did not think the price should be over $1.00 per person. Mrs. Evans thought the Fourth District clubs would also be interested in such a meeting.

Mr. Flack read the report of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee. The report contained general comments on some of the activities and the objectives of the Fruit Breeding Farm staff, in addition to the progress on the various projects.

Mr. Rogers moved the report be accepted and submitted to the University. Seconded by Mr. Lowrie. Mr. Okken mentioned that this was an exceptionally good report; but that he would like to have one line, in that part regarding woody ornamentals, changed slightly to read, "Canada, even though it is farther north than Minnesota, is ahead of us in its research work along this line", -- the original motion to accept the report, with the slight change, was carried.

Mr. Lowrie reported for the Budget and Policy Committee outlining recommended changes in Society awards and Awards Committee procedures. He stated that the recommendations although not yet in final form, would include the setting up of a new award to be known as the Distinguished Service Award; all award nominations are to be approved by local and district organizations before being submitted to the Awards Committee; all awards finally approved by the Executive Board will be announced at the annual meeting; all awards, except the Certificate of Merit, will be presented at the annual meeting; Certificate of Merit awards will be presented at a local or district meeting by an officer of the Society.

Mr. Lowrie then moved that -- the award recommendations be accepted in principle and that the Executive Committee be authorized to give final approval to the committee's final recommendations. Motion seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie in his report of the Budget and Policy Committee stated that there were a number of other projects that would be studied at future meetings.

Dr. Hutchins, chairman of the Special Committee to Study National Council of State Garden Clubs presented a progress report of his committee. The report briefly stated the findings of the committee in regard to the nature and goals of the National Council of State Garden Clubs. The report also listed and summarized the contents of all correspondence between the State Society Office and officers of National Council for a period of several years.

Mrs. Hall moved that this progress report be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Koempel. Mr. Winter moved to amend this motion to read that the report be accepted to be placed on file. Mrs. Hall's original motion as amended by Mr. Winter was then seconded and carried.

Mrs. Hall moved that a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. Morrah, President of the National Council. Seconded by Mrs. Evans. Some discussion followed regarding this action and Mrs. Hall withdrew her motion.

After further discussion Mrs. Jensen then moved that this report be sent to Mrs. Morrah. Lacking a second, the motion was not put to vote.

Further discussion was heard, during which Dr. Hutchins was requested to clarify certain statements in the report.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

President

Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, June 22, 1956
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:05 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Mrs. Frank Jensen, Charles Okken, G. Victor Lowrie, Mrs. E.L. Swanson, Mrs. B.I. Evans, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. M.C. Senne, Durant Barclay, Mrs. Sever Sletten, L.V. Franklin, Neil Barry, George Titus, Mrs. Lawrence Anderson, Mrs. Arthur Tomlinson, Mrs. Jean McKinstry, E.M. Hunt, Mrs. Wm. R. Carter, Victor Bates, Mrs. Fred Multaler; Archie Flack, Chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Committee; Joseph M. Witmer, Co-Chairman of Annual Convention Committee; Rene J. Dufourd, member of Budget and Policy Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on December 9, 1955, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary, and were approved as read.

Mr. Lowrie, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, reported on the finances of the Society. He stated that for the past several years Society expenditures had exceeded the receipts by a considerable amount. He stated that several items on the budget are expected to require increased disbursements during the coming year and that the committee felt there would have to be some adjustments made in order to put the Society on a secure financial basis.

After discussion of some of the items of increasing expense and possible means of obtaining additional income, the following motions were made:

Moved - that effective July 1, 1956, Mr. Hunt's annual salary be increased $500, and that the annual salary of each of the two clerks be increased $200. The motion was duly seconded and carried.

Moved - that affiliation fees for group memberships be increased 50¢ per member, and that this increase become effective with 1957 membership. Seconded; carried.

Mr. Witmer expressed the consensus of the board in stating that the Society should: -- continue printing the "Horticulturist" on a nine issue basis and that the Society work toward the possibility of increasing the issues to twelve when sufficient moneys are available for the additional issues; and that a committee should be appointed to study possibilities of securing an increase in the amount of state appropriation for the Society; and that Society reserve funds be used as needed to pay current expenses during the coming year.

Mr. Barry suggested that an editorial be printed in the same issue of the magazine as the fiscal report explaining the needs of the Society and the actions of the board in attempting to provide for these needs.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Proposed 1956-1957 Budget prepared by his committee be tabled until such time as the Budget and Policy Committee meet to incorporate changes as may be required by the actions and suggestions of this board meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer reported that Annual Convention plans were progressing nicely. Good response and the many fine suggestions were received in answer to the questionnaire sent out and, in order to incorporate as many of these suggestions as possible divided sessions were planned. He also stated that luncheons and dinner would be served at the Church; and that the banquet would be on Saturday night. He reported that the committee had decided to charge a registration fee of $1.00

Mr. Hunt reported that the series of Flower Arranging Short Courses held in April at Hibbing, Brainerd, and Fairmont had been very successful. They had been sponsored by the local clubs in cooperation with the districts in which they occurred. The attendance of about 200 at each meeting was sufficient to meet all expenses. Mrs. Brooks, lecturer from New Jersey, was very enthusiastically received and the Committee felt that this had been a very successful project.

Mr. Hunt also reported that a Flower Arranging Short Course would be held on July 17, 18, 19, on the University Saint Paul Campus, sponsored by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society in conjunction with the University of Minnesota Department of Horticulture and the Agricultural Short Course Office. Mrs. Laurance Wilson from Vermont would be the instructor.

Mr. Flack reviewed briefly the progress of the Landscape Arboretum Project. He referred particularly to the Society's relationship to the University of Minnesota in the promotion of this project. He explained that very recently the Arboretum Committee had become interested in a piece of land in the vicinity of the University Fruit Breeding Farm near Excelsior, and that this area of 160 acres appears to be ideal for an Arboretum. A two-year option to purchase this property for $220 an acre can be obtained for $1,000. Dr. Snyder described the property, stating that it would be a desirable location for an arboretum because of its variable topography, undisturbed virgin soil, two small lakes, and its large variety of native trees and shrubs. Mr. Dufourd reported that he and Mr. Hunt had recently discussed the arboretum project with reference to the proposed site with Dean Macy as the Committee had wished to keep the University informed regarding all that was being done. At the request of President Rice the secretary read a letter from the owner in which were stated the conditions under which an option could be obtained.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Society secure an option to purchase 160 acres of land in the vicinity of the University Fruit Breeding Farm near Excelsior, and that authorization is hereby given to withdraw $1000 from the Society's reserve fund to be used for this purpose, the reserve fund to be reimbursed in the same amount from donations to the Society given in support of the Landscape Arboretum project; and that the Society, through officers and committees authorized by the president, may solicit funds in the name of the Society to be deposited in a "Landscape Arboretum Fund" for the purpose of purchase of property to be used as a Landscape Arboretum, and for the development and operation of such arboretum, such property to be transferred to the ownership of the University of Minnesota upon agreement with the Regents of the University that the property will be retained, developed and maintained as a Landscape Arboretum. Motion seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that Mr. Flack, Chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Committee, be given a vote of thanks for the progress he and his committee had made in such a short time. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Dufourd reported that the Budget and Policy Committee were making a study of how to get a more complete representation of the Society membership when voting for our elected officers. The feasibility of a method enabling voting by mailed ballots is being investigated.

Mr. Okken reported that the Special Awards Committee had met on June 5 to consider the eight "hold-over" nominations and the twenty-three new nominations which had been received for special awards. Sub-committees had been appointed to further investigate two of the nominees before final recommendations were made in regard to the awarding of Bronze Medals. He reported that the Awards Committee were recommending that twelve candidates receive the Certificate of Merit, five condidates

receive the new Distinguished Service Award, two candidates receive an Honorary Life Membership. and two candidates receive the Bronze Medal. The list of candidates recommended to receive each award was read.

Mr. Barry moved that the board approve the recommendations of the awards committee as reported by Mr. Okken. The motion was reconded and carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

A letter requesting the Executive Board to determine the boundary line between the Second and Fourth Districts was read by the secretary. After discussion it was moved that the line between districts Two and Four be designated as the county line between the counties of Martin and Jackson - and Watonwan and Cottonwood - and an extension of this line northward; the portion of Brown County westward of this line to be included in District Four. Motion seconded and Carried.

Mr. Hunt read a letter from J.P. Rosengren on behalf of the Thief River Falls Garden Clubs and the Civic and Commerce Association extending an invitation to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society to hold its 1957 Annual Convention in Thief River Falls.

It was moved that the secretary be directed to acknowledge the letter, stating that the board was favorably impressed with the invitation; that it is not customary to decide this early on the convention site; and that notification of action on the invitation will be given when the committee in charge of convention matters reaches a decision. Motion seconded and carried.

The Secretary reported that correspondence had been received from the American Horticultural Council and urging the Society to become a member of that organization. A supporting membership would cost $10.00 per year.

It was moved that the Budget and Policy Committee be directed to investigate the work of the American Horticultural Council and authorized to direct the secretary regarding appropriate action. Motion seconded and carried.

The secretary read a letter from Dr. Hutchins, Chairman of the "Special Committee to Investigate Affiliation with National Council", in which Dr. Hutchins requested that his committee be discharged.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the "Special Committee to Investigate Affiliation with National Council" be discharged, and that a letter be written to Dr. Hutchins and to each member of his committee, thanking them for their good work. Seconded by Mr. Barclay. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

President

Secretary

List of award recipients for 1956:

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

G. J. DeMars, Ada
Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Roseau
Mrs. Al Fredstrom, Brainerd
Dr. George F. Ghostley, Anoka
Mrs. Emma Hughes, Brainerd
Mrs. Albert W. Johnson, Chisago City
Mrs. E. J. Koempel, St. Paul
Mrs. Frank Koktavy, Minneapolis
Mrs. Henry Miller, Truman
Arthur Nelson, Zimmerman
Mrs. P.A. Robertson, Austin
Mrs. Sever Sletten, Bagley

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. Axel Hansen, Minneapolis
Wallace R. Lawrie, Duluth
George Nelson, Minneapolis
Mrs. S. H. Traeger, St. Paul
Mrs. E. J. Weschcke, St. Paul

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

O. A. Bandelin, Red Wing
Mrs. Stanley Lund, Minneapolis

BRONZE MEDAL

Mrs. Martha E. Crone, Minneapolis
Carl Weschcke, St. Paul

Executive Board Meeting, September 21, 1956
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:25 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Mrs. Frank A. Jensen, Charles R. Okken, Dr. L.C. Snyder, G. Victor Lowrie, Mrs. E.L. Swanson, Mrs. John Irwin, Neil Barry, Mrs. P.C. Berberich, Stanley Bachman, Dr. Clarence Mickel, Mrs. Lawrence Anderson, Mrs. Arthur Tomlinson, Mrs. Fred Multaler, Mrs. Walter Foyen, Victor Bates, E. M. Hunt; J.D. Winter, representing the Fruit Growers; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the executive board meeting held on June 22, 1956, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the treasurer's report for the fiscal year July 1, 1955 to July 1, 1956. A motion to accept and place on file the treasurer's report was duly seconded, and carried. An auditors' report, covering the period of the fiscal year, was read, accepted, and placed on file.

Mr. Lowrie, chairman of the Budget and Policy committee, stated that a proposed budget for the year 1956-57 had been prepared previous to the executive board meeting of June 22. This budget was tabled in order to enable the committee to encorporate into the budget certain changes directed by the board, bearing on the operation of the Society during the coming year.

Mr. Lowrie then presented and explained a revised budget and asked for its approval. Mr. Barry moved to adopt the budget for 1956-57 as presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. Snyder reported on the Landscape Arboretum Project, briefly reviewing the progress made since the Board authorized the purchase of the option on the arboretum site.

Mr. Lowrie presented a proposed budget for the operation of the Landscape Arboretum Campaign Committee. He stated that it is to be expected that expenses will be incurred in carrying on a fund-raising campaign, and that his committee believed that it might be necessary to spend up to 5% of the goal of $75,000, or $3,750 for this purpose. He requested that the Board adopt the budget and authorize the secretary to pay campaign committee bills up to a total of $3,750.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the Landscape Arboretum Campaign Committee budget be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Barry. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowrie reported that the Society is required to complete and present to the State Department of Administration a budget covering the coming biennium, before the date of October 1, 1956. He recommended that this budget include a request for state funds in the amount of $10,000 per year for the fiscal period 1957-1959. He stated that this amount of state support is believed necessary if the Society is to continue regular services and programs, and consider increasing the number of magazine issues.

A motion that the biennial budget include a request for state funds in the amount of $10,000 per year, for the biennium 1957-1959, was duly seconded and carried.

President Rice asked that consideration be given the possibility of providing Society recognition each year for outstanding garden club performance. Discussion and some comment on the merit and also the difficulty of instituting such a procedure was heard, but no action was taken.

Mr. Hunt read and explained amendments to the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Society recommended by the Budget and Policy Committee. Each amendment was discussed and slight modifications were agreed upon. Mr. Barry moved that the proposed amendments to the articles of incorporation and by-laws as read and slightly modified be approved by the Board. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Jensen; motion carried.

Dr. Snyder discussed a movement by the national nursery trade to bring pressure to bear on certain firms using the term "Nursery" in their firm names even though such firms, in many cases, actually do not grow nursery stock.

Mr. Winter moved that -- through a letter to appropriate nursery association officials, the Society indicate its intention to support whatever position is taken on the matter by the Minnesota Nurserymans Association. Seconded, carried.

President Rice read a letter from Dean Fenske of the University of Minnesota acknowledging receipt of the 1955 Fruit Farm Visitors Committee report and thanking the Society for its continued interest in the work of the Fruit Breeding Farm.

President Rice urged board members to attend the Visitors' Day at the Fruit Farm scheduled for September 22.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, December 17, 1956
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:20 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Mrs. Frank A. Jensen, Charles R. Okken, G. Victor Lowrie, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Robert V. Schwietz, Neil Barry, Mrs. Hilding A. Bjorklund, George W. Nelson, Mrs. Jean McKinstry, Mrs. Fred Multaler, E. M. Hunt; Helen Fischer, member of the Budget and Policy Committee; J. M. Witmer, Chairman of Publications Committee; Archie H. Flack, Chairman of the Arboretum Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The minutes of the executive board meeting held on September 21, 1956, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

The secretary read a letter which he had sent to Gordon Bailey, President of the Minnesota Nurserymens Association, with a copy to Richard P. White, Executive Vice President of the American Association of Nurserymen. This letter advised these two associations of the intention of the Horticultural Society to support whatever position is taken by these associations in regard to the use of the word 'Nursery' in firm names of firms who do not grow nursery stock.

Mr. Witmer, Co-Chairman of the Annual Convention Committee, when reporting on the success of the Annual Convention, stated that there was a near record attandance at the meetings, there were 46 different persons who contributed to the program, and that the sponsoring group had taken care of all finances relieving the state society of any expense. Mr. Kaufmann and Mr. Witmer convention co-chairmen prepared and left with the Society a complete record of the development of the meeting plans and finances, and an outline of the duties of each committee.

Mr. Flack reported on the work of the Landscape Arboretum Committee, giving a financial report of donations received and the expenses incurred so far in the fund-raising campaign.

Mr. Barry moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the members of the Landscape Arboretum Committee for the magnificent work which they have been, and still are, doing. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer, chairman of the Publications Committee, stated that his committee was making an effort to make the "Horticulturist" of greater benefit to our own members in Minnesota. The committee recently set up a schedule for the next three issues.

The secretary read the University Fruit Breeding Farm Superintendent's Report prepared by T.S. Weir. This report of the activities of the fruit farm explained the new construction and repairs that had been made during the year.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the report be accepted and placed on file, and that a letter of thanks be written to Mr. Weir in appreciation of his work in preparing the report. Motion seconded. Carried.

Mr. Nelson moved that acceptance of the report of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee be left in the hands of the Executive Committee inasmuch as the report was not at this time in its final form. Seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Motion carried.

President Rice announced that a motion to elect a member to fill an existing vacancy in the executive board was in order; the vacancy, an unexpired term of one year, having been created by Mr. Lowrie's election to the office of

vice president. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Witmer be elected to fill the vacancy on the executive board.

The chairman explained that according to the new Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws the board shall appoint three committees: namely, an executive committee consisting of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and two board members to act as alternates; an auditing committee of two board members; a Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee of two or more suitable persons.

Mrs. Jensen moved that Leon Snyder and J. M. Witmer be appointed to serve as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Okken. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that Dana Rogers and Mrs. Evans be appointed to the Auditing Committee for the coming year. Seconded by Mr. Barry. Motion carried.

Mr. Barry moved that Charles Okken be appointed as chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee; the other committee members to be Vincent Bailey, Bj Loss, Archie Flack, Gordon Yates, T.L. Aamodt, Louis Fischer. Motion seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

President Rice mentioned several other committees which he had recently appointed or expected to appoint in the near future. He also discussed a program aids project which he hoped would be started soon as there was great need for the collecting and assembling of program ideas and material which could be made available to our garden clubs.

Mr. Lowrie reporting for Dr. Snyder, stated that the special committee had investigated the purpose and work of the American Horticultural Council and they felt that it was a worthwhile organization and a great help to horticulture in general and deserving of the support of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, and the committee recommended that the Society join this national organization.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Minnesota State Horticultural Society make application for a $10 membership in the American Horticultural Council. Motion seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Mr. Witmer moved that a Founders Certificate and a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Martha Jacobs for her arboretum donation and expressing the Society's appreciation for her generous assistance in preparing many Society letters. Motion seconded by Mr. Okken. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that he and Mr. Witmer had attended a State Budget Meeting in the State Office Building on December 13, 1956. At this meeting each department head was confidentially advised of the sum which will be specified in the Governor's budget recommendation to the legislature for the 1957-1959 biennium. The amount recommended by the Governor for the Horticultural Society was $1250 per year less than the amount requested by the Society, but a $1250 per year increase over the appropriation received during each year of the last biennium. Each department was requested to submit a budget supplement sheet showing a break-down in accordance with the Governor's recommended budget.

Mr. Lowrie stated that the Budget and Policy Committee had discussed the possibility of having a membership or public relations committee appointed.

He also reported a discussion in the Budget and Policy Committee regarding the Society's youth projects. It was suggested that the Youth Projects Committee be charged with the responsibility of exploring possibilities of increased youth participation and recommending to the board any new programs of horticultural activity which might be of real value to the youth of the state.

Mr. Lowrie moved that we invite every organized Garden Club consisting of five or more members to become affiliated with the State Horticultural Society providing 100 % of the group pay affiliation fees to the State Society. Motion seconded and carried.

The secretary reported a question submitted by one of the state-wide affiliated organizations; namely, would it be possible to assess each affiliated organization a flat fee rather than require each member of each organization to pay affiliation fees. The consensus was that this would be impracticable. No action was taken.

Mr. Rice called attention to the fact that the newly adopted By-Laws require that the annual business meeting be held on the second Tuesday of November. He stated that a committee would work out the procedures for that meeting including the new system of voting by mail ballots.

The secretary read a letter, dated June 9, 1956, which had been received from J. P. Rosengren, representing the Thief River Falls garden clubs and the Civic and Commerce Association, extending an invitation to hold the Minnesota State Horticultural Society's "Annual Convention or Garden Forum" at Thief River Falls in 1957.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the secretary be instructed to accept the Thief River Falls invitation, and that the president appoint a committee to work out the details of the Convention with the Thief River Falls people. Motion seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

President Rice referred to the Show Standards Committee and stated that he was considering dividing it into two separate committees; one of which would continue to work on plans for special short course meetings and other types of instruction, and another committee which would work on plans for registering and certifying judges.

President Rice expressed his regrets that Mrs. Jensen, Mrs. Ludvigson and Mr. Okken were leaving the executive board, and thanked them for their services on the board and on the committees of which they had been members.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Ludvigsen, in which she stated that she had enjoyed being a member of the Executive Board and that she was sorry that circumstances had made it impossible for her to attend all of the meetings during her term of office.

Mrs. Jensen and Mr. Okken both expressed their pleasure in working on the Board and stated that they expected to continue doing all that they could for horticulture in their communities.

A letter of appreciation was read from Mrs. Crone in which she thanked the Society for the Bronze Medal given to her at the Annual Convention.

Mr. Schwietz invited all members of the board to visit the floral displays in the St.Paul Conservatory.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, April 1, 1957
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:30 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., G. Victor Lowrie, Dana A. Rogers, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Edmund J. Phelps, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Joseph M. Witmer, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Hilding A. Bjorklund, Mrs. Myrle Kalbrener, K. D. Andrews, J. D. Winter, Harold E. Nelson, Earl H. Maffett, Neil Barry, Anton W. Koester, Mrs. George Sanders, Mrs. Clement Van Nice; Helen Fischer, Mrs. Stanley Lund, and Charles R. Okken, members of the Budget and Policy Committee; Archie Flack, Chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Committee; Louis R. Fischer, Chairman of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee; Mrs. Wm. Thorne, Chairman of the Exhibitors Training Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the executive board meeting held December 17, 1956, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

President Rice temporarily relinquished the chair to Vice President Lowrie.

Mr. Fischer read the 1956 report of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee. Dr. Snyder requested that the sentence stating that "an excellent gooseberry has been introduced" be changed to read -- "will be introduced in 1958". Mr. Schwietz moved that the report with correction be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

President Rice then resumed the chair.

Mr. Flack reported on the work of the Landscape Arboretum Committee, mentioning that the committee was pleased with the remarkable response from the small garden clubs throughout the state. He also stated that at the March 28, meeting of his committee two major conclusions had been reached; namely, that it would be necessary to obtain some large substantial donations in order to meet the purchase price of the 160 acres before the option expired; and also that before we can obtain these large donations we will have to have some assurance from the University that it will accept the property when it is presented to the University.

Mrs. Thorne reported that the Exhibitors Training Committee was working on Short Course plans for demonstration-lecture teams to accept several assignments out in the state.

Mr. Hunt reported that it was the intention of the newly appointed Program Aids Committee to prepare a monthly "Program Aids Bulletin" which would consist of one or more sheets of program material to be included with the regular Quiz Questions mailing to club presidents. He reported that two such mailings had already been made.

Mr. Barry, Chairman of the new "Membership and Public Relations Committee", reported that members of the committee had met and were trying to formulate plans for obtaining names of garden clubs not affiliated with the Society.

Mr. Lowrie, chairman of the "Judges Certification Committee", reported that the committee had held several meetings, and explained in some detail the procedure that had been outlined by the committee for certification of flower arrangement judges in Minnesota. He moved that this procedure be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Witmer. Motion carried.

Dr. Snyder explained that his Sub-committee of the Judges Certification Committee was working out the details for setting up standards for judging horticultural specimen exhibits. He said that the details had not all been completed but expected

that they would be in the near future, and that the procedure recommended would be similar to the procedure outlined by Mr. Lowrie.

Dr. Snyder moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to approve the outline for certification of judges of horticultural specimen exhibits when the committee presents it. Seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Dr. Snyder moved to rescind the motion passed at the board meeting of December 17, 1956, reducing to five the number of members required for a garden club to become affiliated with the State Society; and to reinstate the former policy of requiring a minimum of ten members for group affiliation, and giving the Executive Committee the power to act on any special application in which the applying group is unable to secure the required ten members. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Rice called attention to the fact that the annual business meeting of the sociey would be on November 12, and that even though it was to be a business meeting some thought had been given to having the business session followed by a dinner meeting. He reported that the meeting will be sponsored by the Garden Club of Ramsey County and that Mrs. Koempel will act as chairman of meeting arrangements.

President Rice reported that the annual convention or garden forum would be at Thief River Falls on Thursday and Friday, August 15 and 16. He also reported that he had appointed Dr. Hutchins as Horticultural Society chairman of the convention and Joseph Witmer as co-chairman.

Mr. Hunt reported on the society loan slide project, explaining that President Rice had appointed a committee to expidite the securing of slide sets. Slides for the preparation of three new sets have been donated by Mr. Witmer, Dr. Hutchins, and Mr. Lehman.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the "Judges Certification Committee" be established as a standing committee of the Society. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion carried.

Mr. Nelson expressed appreciation to the Horticultural Society, and to Mr. Hunt for his help in making it possible for the Dahlia Society to hold the annual Dahlia Show at the State Fair.

At 9:30 p.m. a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

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President Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, July 15, 1957
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Rice at 7:15 p.m.

Present were: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., G.Victor Lowrie, E. M. Hunt, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. E. J. Phelps, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. Hilding Bjorklund, Mrs. Myrle Kalbrenner, Neil Barry, Harold E. Nelson, Mrs. Walter Foyen, K. D. Andrews, Mrs. Fred Multaler; J. D. Winter, representing the Fruit Growers; Mrs. Richard Wilson, Vice-President of the Richfield Garden Club; Mrs. Wm. Thorne, Chairman of the Exhibitors Training Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the executive board meeting held April 1, 1957, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 1956 to July 1, 1957. Mr. Barry moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and place the report on file for audit. Seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowrie, Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, presented the Proposed Budget for the fiscal year 1957-58, and explained in some detail the various items in the budget. Mr. Winter moved to adopt the Proposed Budget for 1957-58 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Mr. Witmer reported on the program plans for the Annual Convention and Garden Forum to be held at Thief River Falls on August 15 and 16. He stated that the convention will consist of two full days of educational program items, based on the theme of "Gardening in the Northland", and will include dinner meetings on both evenings. Tours have been planned for Saturday, August 17.

Mrs. E. L. Swanson presented the report of the Awards Committee recommending that fifteen candidates receive the Certificate of Merit (Recommendation of one of these, Mrs. Martha Sugden, is contingent upon approval by the Ninth District President). The report also recommended that three candidates be given the Distinguished Service Award, and two candidates be given the Bronze Medal. A motion to approve Mrs. Swanson's report was seconded and carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that Rene J. Dufourd be given a Distinguished Service Award and that his award be included on the list of awards for 1957, approved by this board. Motion seconded by Mr. Lowrie. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the approved award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Swanson and her committee for their good work in studying the many nominations and preparing the list of nominees recommended to receive awards.

Mrs. Swanson suggested that the Awards Committee during the course of the next year examine the qualifications of previous award winners and consider the eligibility of these persons for higher awards.

Mr. Rice discussed briefly the Annual Meeting of the Society to be held on the second Tuesday of November and stated that present plans are to conduct it as a business-type of meeting only.

Mrs. Thorne, chairman of the Exhibitors Training Committee, reported that her committee had set up ten dates for presenting flower arranging instruction. A demonstration-lecture team consisting of three persons has been secured for each date. Interest and

enthusiasm was good in each of the three meetings already held and favorable reports have been received from the sponsoring groups.

Mrs. Thorne further reported that her committee has secured the services of Mrs. John C. Bayles, South Orange, New Jersey, for a flower arranging lecture and workshop series to be held on Sept. 16, 17, 18, and 19, at Dayton's Auditorium at Southdale. Mrs. Bayles will give an afternoon and an evening lecture on September 16, and conduct workshops on Sept. 17, 18, and 19.

Mrs. Thorne also stated that she had received permission to use the auditorium of the Prudential Life Insurance Company on the afternoon of July 27 for a flower arranging lecture and demonstration to be conducted by her committee.

Mr. Lowrie, Chairman of the Arboretum Finance Committee, stated that the Society had received a "vote of confidence" from the University Board of Regents in regard to future acceptance by the University of the Arboretum gift. The Lake Minnetonka Garden Club have assured the committee that their club will furnish the funds necessary for the purchase of the Arboretum property. The St. Paul Garden Club has also contributed a sizable sum. Mr. Lowrie also stated that he had appointed two "gift committees", one in Minneapolis and one in St. Paul, whose efforts are expected to result in further progress toward the campaign goal.

Mrs. Phelps was given a vote of thanks in recognition of the work of her club toward the arboretum.

Mr. Barry, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, reported that his committee had planned promotional material for inclusion in monthly mailings to affiliated club presidents; had planned printed post cards to be distributed to groups not affiliated with the State Society; had considered plans for a long-range youth program, and requested authorization for the expenditure of $20.00 to cover the cost of ten cash awards for membership promotion suggestions from affiliated clubs.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Executive Board delegate authority to the Executive Committee to meet with the Public Relations Committee to study the plans suggested by this committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

Mr. Hunt stated that as soon as possible the Board for the Certification of Judges will meet to determine which applicants may qualify as State Horticultural Society Certified Judges of Flower Arrangements.

Mr. Hunt explained the procedures that will be necessary in order to officially record with the Secretary of State's office the ammendments to the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws voted by the Society last year.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws as amended and adopted by the members of the State Horticultural Society on October 12, 1956, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of these minutes, are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed by this Executive Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Barry. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the president and secretary of this corporation be and are hereby authorized to make, execute and acknowledge a certificate under the corporate seal of this corporation confirming that the registered office in this state is: St. Paul Campus, University of Minnesota, in the city of St. Paul, County of Ramsey. Motion seconded and carried.

At 9:35 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

List of award recipients for 1957

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. Fred Anderson, Brainerd, Minnesota
Mrs. P. C. Berberich, Ada, Minnesota
Mrs. Bertha Biskey, Wahkon, Minnesota
Mrs. Harold Gee, Taopi, Minnesota
Mrs. Lewis Gemmill, Alpha, Minnesota
Mrs. A. C. Heritage, International Falls, Minnesota
Mrs. Donald Lansing, St. Cloud, Minnesota
Mrs. Leonard Pasell, Duluth, Minnesota
Mrs. T. N. Samuelson, Comfrey, Minnesota
Wilbert G. Sindt, North St. Paul, Minnesota
Mrs. Martha Sugden, Hallock, Minnesota
Mrs. William Thorne, Minneapolis, Minnesota
George Tyacke, Duluth, Minnesota
Mrs. Elmer Widmark, Brainerd, Minnesota
Mrs. G. C. Tyler, St. Paul, Minnesota

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. A. S. Gowen, Excelsior, Minnesota
Mrs. A. W. Tenhoff, Mountain Lake, Minnesota
Rene J. Duford, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Joseph M. Witmer, Hopkins, Minnesota

BRONZE MEDALS

Edgar C. Lehman, Faribault, Minnesota
Henry J. Rahmlow, Madison, Wisconsin

Executive Board Meeting, November 12, 1957
University St. Paul Campus Cafeteria

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Rice.

Board members present: Cortis N. Rice, Jr., G. Victor Lowrie, E. M. Hunt, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Joseph M. Witmer, Robert Schwietz, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. Wm. R. Carter, Neil Barry, Mrs. Hilding Bjorklund, Mrs. Lottie Walde, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held July 15, 1957, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Lowrie moved to elect Mr. Hunt as secretary-treasurer for the coming year. Motion seconded by Dr. Snyder. Carried.

Mr. Hunt explained that he had received information from the U. S. Treasury Department of Internal Revenue that the Horticultural Society, as a tax exempt organization, is required by law to file before November 15 an annual statement of gross income, receipts, and disbursements.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year, July 1, 1956 to July 1, 1957. A motion to accept, subject to audit, and place on file the Treasurer's Report was duly seconded and carried.

Mrs. Evans, a member of the Auditing Committee, stated that she had examined the records relating to operations funds of the Society and had found the books all in good order and that to the best of her knowledge and belief they are an accurate record of the transactions of the Society during the year.

A motion to accept and place on file the Auditor's Report was duly seconded and carried.

Mr. Rice explained that the Society does not have liability insurance; however with the large increase in membership and the many active committees, whose members do considerable traveling on Society business, it is felt that comprehensive liability insurance is needed in order to protect the Society. Mr. Rice further stated that he had investigated the cost of such insurance and had been advised that a Comprehensive General Liability Policy and an Automobile Liability Policy which could include officers, affiliated clubs and all individual members on Society business, would cost the Society approximately $110 annually.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the Society secure liability insurance to cost approximately $110 per year. Motion seconded by Mr. Witmer. Carried.

Mr. Hunt explained that the State Of Minnesota is giving us $464 in addition to the legislative appropriation of $7500. This is to partially cover cost to the Society of maintaining a revised employees retirement fund program.

Mr. Lowrie moved that a sum equivalent to the $464 supplement received from the state be held in reserve until such time as the Budget and Policy Committee may assign it to the current year's budget. Seconded by Mrs. Evans. Carried.

The secretary referred to a letter, recently received from the Department of Internal Revenue, informing us that the employees of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society are eligible for Social Security and that the law requires that payments be made into this fund.

Mr. Lowrie moved that we answer the letter in regard to Social Security matters, explaining that we are a "semi-state" organization and have a retirement plan with the state, whose employees are contemplating adjusting the retirement program to meet the Social Security regulations.

Dr. Snyder moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to budget funds necessary to put into effect the Social Security plan required by the state.

Mr. Lowrie, Chairman of the Arboretum Finance Committee, stated that a conference of representatives of the Horticultural Society and Dean Macy's office would be held in the near future to determine the conditions under which the arboretum site could be transferred to the University. He stated that it was anticipated that an Arboretum Advisory Committee consisting of both University and Society representatives would be formed for carrying on the development of the arboretum after the transfer to the University.

Mrs. Carter moved that the Executive Board extend a vote of confidence to the Arboretum Finance Committee for the work they are doing. Seconded by Mr. Schweitz. Carried.

Mrs. Evans moved that the following resolution authorizing the signatures of the president and secretary be adopted:

> "Resolved that E. M. Hunt, secretary-treasurer, is authorized to receive and hold the funds of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and pay out same on orders signed by G. Victor Lowrie, president."

The motion, seconded by Mrs. Swanson, was carried.

Mrs. Evans moved that a letter of appreciation be written to Mrs. Martha Jacobs, Mr. Rice's Secretary, and to Mrs. Myrtle Bestler, Mr. Lowrie's secretary, for extra work and generous assistance in preparing letters for the society. Motion seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

The executive board extended a vote of thanks to Mr. Schwietz for his thoughtfulness in bringing flowers to decorate the tables for the Executive Board dinner.

Mr. Schweitz invited all members of the board and their friends to visit the Chrysanthemum Show, at the St.Paul Como Park Conservatory.

President Rice called attention to the resolution adopted at the annual Garden Forum urging participation during 1958 in the Minnesota Centennial Celebration, and expressed his hope that the Society would develop plans to carry out the intent of the resolution.

Mr. Rice expressed the pleasure which has been his in serving as president of the Society. He thanked the committee members, committee chairmen, and all individual workers whose efforts have made possible an effective program of work during the past year.

At 8:35 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

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President Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, February 17, 1958
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Lowrie.

Present were: G. Victor Lowrie, Joseph M. Witmer, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Stanley Lund, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. Edmund J. Phelps, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Henry Miller, J. D. Winter, T. C. Solem, Earl H. Maffet, L. W. Holmes, Charles F. Signs, W. W. Brooks, Mrs. A. C. Bloomquist, Mrs. Thomas J. Gould, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the executive board meeting held November 12, 1957, at the University St. Paul Campus Cafeteria, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

President Lowrie informed the board that the comprehensive general liability and automobile liability insurance program, approved at the last board meeting, had been put into effect.

Mr. Lowrie further explained that the Social Security program had not been put into effect because of complications; however the employees of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society are eligible to participate in the Social Security program. If the program is adopted, a tax of 2½% of the employees salary will be paid by the employees and an equivalent of this amount will be paid by the employer. Mr. Winter moved that the board approve the expenditure of this 2½% or approximately $227.25 annually, if the employees vote to take advantage of the Social Security Insurance program. Motion seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie explained that the Society had spent less than 1% of the 5% that was authorized for promotion and general expenses of arboretum project. Correspondence and keeping of arboretum records have placed an extra load upon the Society office. The secretary estimated that during the past year three months, a minimum of 140 hours of clerical time has been used for arboretum work. A similar amount of extra help is now needed to take care of regular office work which has been deferred.

Mr. Maffet moved that up to $168 be used for additional clerical help and that this be charged to the Arboretum. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Motion carried.

Mrs. Swanson moved that 5% of any new arboretum funds obtained be allocated toward expenses of printing, postage, and other administrative costs of handling the arboretum funds. Seconded by Mr. Maffet. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie informed the board that at a meeting of the Executive Committee held that afternoon, some of the policies and procedures of the Society were examined and the committee felt that several changes should be made; for instance, after July 1, the annual fee paid by a new member is applied to a full year beginning the following January, but he is put on the mailing list and given free services for the balance of the year. The committee felt that some charge should be made for this five or six months service. After further study of this and other membership policies the committee will prepare recommendations for changes and these will be presented to the executive board.

Mr. Lowrie stated that as of January 21, 1958, there was a cash on hand balance of $12,552 in the Landscape Arboretum Fund.

Mr. Lowrie explained that in order to follow procedure agreed upon with the University he had appointed a permanent Arboretum Advisory Committee consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Past-President of the Society, and the Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee; and a Technical Committee consisting of Archie Flack, John E. P. Morgan, and Edmund Phelps. Both committees have met with Dr. Snyder and discussed the tentative plans for the Arboretum. These two committees will work very closely with the University. Dr. Snyder explained briefly with the use of a map the layout of the arboretum site and the tentative plans for beginning development. Mr. Lowrie asked for approval of the appointments.

Mr. Brooks moved that the permanent Arboretum Advisory Committee consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Past-President of the Society, and Chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee; and that Archie Flack, John E. P. Morgan, and Edmund Phelps be appointed to the Arboretum Technical Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Lund. Carried.

Mr. Maffet moved that Leon Snyder and Robert Schwietz be appointed to serve as alternates on the Executive Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Signs moved that Vincent Bailey, St.Paul, be appointed as chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee: the other committee members to be Arnold Ulrich, Rochester; Robert Dumas, Long Lake; Gordon Yates, LaCrescent; Carrol Johnson, Becker; Thomas T. Aamodt, Stillwater; Eldred Buer, Canby. Motion seconded by Mr. Witmer. Carried.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. John E. P. Morgan regarding the banning of billboards on the new federal highways.

Mrs. Miller moved that Mrs. Morgan's letter be published in the Horticulturist. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer moved that an executive board resolution, calling upon federal and state legislators and other state officials to support bills banning billboards, be drafted by the executive committee and that the resolution be sent to said legislators and officials, and that it be published in the Horticulturist. Seconded by Mr. Maffet. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt read the following resolutions authorizing disbursements from savings accounts:

RESOLVED, that all orders for withdrawal of funds from the Minneapolis Savings and Loan Association Account No 70663 of this corporation in whatever form, shall be signed by two of the following officers: G. Victor Lowrie, President; E. M. Hunt, Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution shall remain in full force and effect until the Association receives written notice to the contrary.

RESOLVED, that the herinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with Minnesota Federal Savings and Loan Association and that said association is hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the

signatures of two such officers, unless and until it has been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; G. Victor Lowrie, President; E.M. Hunt,Secretary.

RESOLVED, that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings share account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with Twin City Federal Savings and Loan Association and that said association is hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until it has been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; G. Victor Lowrie, president; E. M. Hunt, secretary.

Mr. Maffet moved that these resolutions be adopted. Seconded and carried.

Discussion was heard regarding the possibility of combining the 1958 Garden Forum with dedication of the Landscape Arboretum and celebration of the Centennial.

Discussion was heard in regard to the work of the Minnesota Federation of Garden Clubs and the relationship of that organization to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Mr. Witmer moved that the Executive Committee of the Horticultural Society extend an invitation to the officers of the Federation to arrange a meeting between the Executive Committee of the State Federation and the Executive Committee of the State Horticultural Society for the purpose of arriving at a working relationship between the two organizations. Seconded by Mr. Solem. Carried.

The board authorized President Lowrie to contact the Federation president to arrange a meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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President Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, July 18, 1958
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Lowrie at 7:10 p.m.

Present were: G. Victor Lowrie, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. B. I. Evans, Cortis N. Rice, Jr., Leon C. Snyder, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Omar Holden, Mrs. Minnie Miller, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. Margaret McGarry, T. C. Solem, Earl H. Maffet, L.W. Holmes, Mrs. C. C. Hitchcock, Mrs. A. C. Bloomquist, Mrs. Thomas J. Gould; and Ed Reid, representing the Minnesota Nurserymens Association; Mrs. H. D. VanBuskirk, chairman of the Annual Garden Forum; Mrs. G. V. Lowrie, Chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; W. H. Alderman, Mrs. Edward J. Koempel, Mrs. John Irwin, Mrs. W. G. Sindt, and Wm. Thorne, members of the Special Awards Committee; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held February 17, 1958, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Alderman, chairman of the awards committee, reviewed briefly the relative values of the four types of Society awards and the number of each which could be awarded each year. He reported that the committee had spent considerable time studying the 1958 nominations, and that the committee were recommending eight candidates for the Award of Merit, five candidates for the Distinguished Service Award, two for Honorary Life Memberships, and one for the Bronze Medal. He named each of these candidates and stated briefly the reasons for selecting them for this year's awards. Mr. Alderman moved that the board approve the recommendations of the Awards Committee. Mrs. Swanson seconded the motion. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Alderman added that the committee further recommended that the applications of nine other candidates be deferred for the consideration of the 1959 awards committee.

Mrs. Lowrie, chairman of the Exhibitors Training Committee, reported that four exhibitor training meetings had been held so far this year and that several more meetings are scheduled. She stated that her instructors had returned from each meeting very enthusiastic about the work and reported that the garden club members attending these meetings had expressed much interest and satisfaction in the instruction.

Mr. Witmer, chairman of the Publications Committee, reported that his committee had met at regular intervals to plan the contents of the magazine. He said the committee had adopted a strict policy not to publish anything in the Horticulturist about plant material that is not adaptable to our Minnesota climate.

Mrs. Van Buskirk, chairman of the annual Garden Forum, reported that the 1958 Forum, under the sponsorship of the Garden Club of Ramsey County, would be held at the Como Park Pavilion on September 4 and 5. She stated that the meeting would consist of program items, based on the theme, "Its Not a Home Until It's Planted", and would include optional tours on the afternoon of September 5. She urged each member of the Executive Board to help promote attendance.

Dr. Snyder reported that since the deed for the Landscape Arboretum land had been transferred to the University on February 6, considerable work had been done in

clearing undergrowth and constructing the roads. Graveling of the road is expected to be completed by early fall. He reported that about 100 species of trees and shrubs had been planted; the small cottage, which was on the place had been repaired so that it could serve as a temporary headquarters and a dwelling for a caretaker during the summer. Dr. Snyder mentioned the arboretum dedication program planned for Saturday, September 6, and said that it is hoped that many garden clubs will plan their tours for that day.

Mr. Rice moved that the Executive Committee, with the advice of the Arboretum Advisory Committee, be authorized to turn over to the University from time to time, and in such amounts as seemed advisable, the money which the Society has in the arboretum fund. Motion seconded by Mr. Thorne. Carried.

Mr. Solem moved that the board authorize the Executive Committee and the Arboretum Advisory Committee to draw up, before the dedication if possible, a schedule of memberships to "Friends of the Arboretum". Motion seconded by Mr. Maffet. Carried.

Mr. Hunt read the Treasurer's report for the fiscal year July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958. Dr. Snyder moved to accept the treasurer's report contingent on verification of the accounts by the Auditing Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Maffet. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie recommended for board approval the appointment of Mr. T. C. Solem and Mrs. C. C. Hitchcock as auditors. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz, chairman of the Budget and Policy Committee, presented the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1958-59, and explained briefly the various items in the budget. Mr. Thorne moved that the proposed budget be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Solem. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Society is required to complete and present to the State Department of Administration a budget covering the comming biennium, before the date of October 1, 1958. He recommended that this budget include a request for state funds in the amount of $10,000 per year for the fiscal period 1959-1961.

Mr. Rice moved that the fiscal budget include a request for state funds in the amount of approximately $10,000 per year, for the biennium 1959-1961. Seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Motion carried.

Mr. Schwietz reported that his committee had studied present Society membership procedures and recommended the adoption of the following provision:

> "A membership application submitted by an affiliated group listing a 'Mr. and Mrs.' member, accompanied by a single fee, shall be recorded in the names of 'Mr. and Mrs.' and shall entitle the holders to one magazine subscription and one ballot for the election of officers."

After considerable discussion Mr. Witmer moved to table the Budget and Policy Committee's recommendation in regard to "Mr. and Mrs." memberships.

Mr. Maffet moved to amend to include "and that a committee be appointed to further study the matter of memberships". A motion to accept the amendment was seconded and carried. Mr. Witmer's motion as amended was seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie appointed Mrs. Van Buskirk, Mrs. Gould, and Mr. Maffet to serve as additional members on a sub-committee of the Budget and Policy Committee to study membership matters.

It was moved that the following recommendation of the Budget and Policy Committee be adopted: "Copies of the January-February 'Horticulturist' shall be mailed to all members of the previous year; mailing of the 'Horticulturist' to delinquent members shall be discontinued in the mailing of the March and following issues; current-year back issues of the magazine if available shall be mailed to late registering members only upon request. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie reported that on the dates of April 10 and May 6 the Executive Committee met with officers of the Minnesota Federation of Garden Clubs to discuss mutual problems and possible areas of cooperation. He said that the meetings were most pleasant and resulted in better understandings of the problems of each organization; however other than possible cooperation in the arboretum project, no agreement was reached in regard to specific areas for cooperation between the two organizations.

Mr. Lowrie called attention to the regular annual meeting of the Society, which would be hdld at the Curtis Hotel on November 11, the second Tuesday of the month; at which time business will be conducted and the election of a president, vice-president, and two board members will be completed.

Mr. Lowrie announced the appointment of a Nominating Committee consisting of Cortis N. Rice, Jr., chairman, Neal Barry, Mrs. C. C. Hitchcock, Leon C. Snyder, and Mrs. E. L. Swanson; whose report will be made not later than sixty days before the annual meeting. He also pointed out that aditional nominations can be made by petition of 25 members not less than sixty days before the annual meeting.

Mr. Schwietz reported that members of his committee had been studying the operation of district horticultural societies and had come to the conclusion that a plan should be developed to:

1. Standardize district constitutions and plans of work.
2. Provide for better contact between district officers, and between district and state officers.
3. Provide for more program and administrative assistance to the districts from the State Society.

Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Evans, and others familiar with district society problems spoke in favor of giving district leaders much-needed assistance in increasing the effectiveness of district work.

Mr. Rice moved that a committee be appointed to draw up a suggested standard district constitution and plan of work. Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Thorne moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to spend up to $500 from reserve funds for putting into effect a district improvement project. Seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 11, 1958
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-President Witmer.

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Stanley Lund, Mrs. E. L. Swanson; Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Minnie Miller, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. Earl Mallinger, Mrs. Margaret McGarry, K. D. Andrews, J. D. Winter, L. W. Holmes; Mrs. Wm. Thorne, representing the Exhibitors Training Committee; Mrs. H. D. VanBuskirk, Chairman of the Membership Procedures Committee; Mrs. John Irwin, Chairman of the District Organization Committee; C. G. Hard, Chairman of Tellers Committee; Wm. H. Alderman; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Mr. Andrews moved that the reading of the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held July 18, 1958, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, be omitted; and inasmuch as these minutes have been printed in the September issue of the "Horticulturist", they be accepted as published. Motion seconded by Mrs. Swanson. Carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that the secretary take the necessary measures to authorize the signatures of president-elect J. M. Witmer and E. M. Hunt, Secretary, for the purpose of transacting all business of the Society including that authorized for such officers in the executive board resolutions of February 17, 1958. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz reported that the Budget and Policy Committee had held many meetings during the year to discuss: the preparation of the budget; plans for the Garden Forum; The advisability of having additional vice-presidents on the executive board; methods of encouraging greater district activity; changes in garden club membership book awards; promotion of youth projects; and the study of membership applications and prodedures.

Mrs. Van Buskirk reported that the Membership Applications and Procedures Committee had met and that its recommendations were as follows:

1. Membership shall be maintained on a single unit basis; that is, if a "Mr. & Mrs." wish to be members in good standing of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, a fee of $1.50 per each or a total of $3.00 shall be paid; the 'ruling', if adopted, be published in the ensuing Horticulturist.

2. If a dual membership is mailed with only a single fee, that a standard 'form' card be mailed to the sender explaining that only one is a member of the State Society and that upon receipt of the other membership fee, the other will be a member in good standing.

3. If a club is affiliated with the Minn. State Horticultural Society, that a 100% membership shall be expected. It is suggested that this information be mailed with the membership application to the secretaries.

Mrs. Van Buskirk also reported that while the matter was not within the province of her committee, there had been discussion in her committee regarding the need of clubs in the Twin City area to be combined in a district-type organization.

Mr. Schwietz then reported that the Budget and Policy Committee had in a recent meeting considered the recommendations of the Membership Procedures Committee and found itself in disagreement with the recommendations concerning 'Mr. and Mrs. memberships'; and that the Budget and Policy Committee recommends to the board

that a motion to allow "Mr. and Mrs." memberships be considered by the board. After discussion it was agreed that the group was not ready to take action on the matter at this time.

A motion to defer the question until the Budget and Policy Committee has an opportunity to further investigate the motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Irwin, chairman of the District Study Committee, stated that her committee had been formed to aid the districts and bring closer relationship between the districts, and between the districts and the State Society. She reported on the progress of her committee, including work on a proposed standard district constitution. She stated that the committee was not quite ready to make definite recommendations to the executive board at this time.

Mr. Schwietz stated that the Budget and Policy Committee requested that no commitments be made regarding the continuing of garden club membership book awards until the committee has had time to study the project.

Dr. Snyder read a report prepared by Archie Flack, chairman of the Landscape Arboretum Technical Committee. This report briefly explained the progress that had been made during the past year in the establishment, dedication, and development of the arboretum area.

Mr. Hunt gave a brief financial report of the arboretum project including a summary of the income and expenses to the arboretum project since its beginning.

Mr Hunt also reported that, as previously authorized by the executive board, the Arboretum Advisory Committee had worked out a procedure for accepting annual memberships and donations to the Landscape Arboretum. He stated that a new information folder was being prepared for publication and that announcement of the membership and soliciting program would be made in the near future.

Mrs. Thorne reported for Mrs. Lowrie on the work of the Exhibitors Training Committee. She stated that the committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Lowrie had staged eight demonstration-lecture meetings. Two of these meetings were in the Twin City area, and the others were in various parts of the state including Fairmont, Bemidji, and Thief River Falls. All of the programs were well attended and most of the groups expressed a desire to have the meetings repeated another year. Mrs. Lowrie asked that thanks be extended to each person who had helped with the project. One of the results of the project was the formation of a study group for certified and apprentice judges. It was felt that much good would result from these study sessions.

Reports were given, describing the activities and projects of the following District Horticultural Societies:

Second District -- Mrs. Minnie Miller, Truman

Fourth District -- Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Lakefield

Ninth District -- Mrs. Earl Mallinger, Oslo

Twelfth District -- Mrs. Margaret McGarry, Walker

Mr. Witmer referred to a recommendation presented by the Auditing Committee during the afternoon Annual Meeting session, suggesting that a committee be appointed to study the simplification of State Society records. Mr. Witmer then appointed the following members to such a committee: Mrs. Hitchcock, Chairman; Mr. Solem, Mr. Schwietz, and Mr. Hunt.

Mr. Witmer asked the group to give some thought during the coming weeks to the matter of the official annual meeting date and the garden forum date, and the possible merit of returning to the previous practice of combining the two meetings.

Mrs. Irwin moved to reelect Mr. Hunt as secretary-treasurer for a two-year term. Motion seconded by Mrs. Mallinger. Carried.

Mr. Schwietz invited all members and their friends to visit the Chrysanthemum show at the St. Paul Como Park Conservatory.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Joseph M. Witmer, Vice-President E. M. Hunt, Secretary

List of award recipients for 1958

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. C. A. Anderson, Littlefork, Minnesota
Mr. James E. Bacchus, Alexandria, Minnesota
Mr. George Dandanell, Brainerd, Minnesota
Mr. George Haben, Red Wing, Minnesota
Mrs. Myrle Kalbrener, Bemidji, Minnesota
Mrs. C. B. Mickelson, International Falls, Minnesota
Mr. A. B. Walker, Grand Marais, Minnesota
Mr. Harold A. Wright, Minneapolis 1, Minnesota

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mr. Robert Duel, Austin, Minnesota
Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Hendrum, Minnesota
Mrs. Walter Ludlow, Brainerd, Minnesota
Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Micko, St. Paul 17, Minnesota
Mrs. Ralph G. Wells, Minneapolis 20, Minnesota

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Durant Barclay, Parkville, Minnesota
Mrs. Oscar Ludvigsen, Austin, Minnesota

BRONZE MEDAL

Mr. Archie Flack, Minneapolis 24, Minnesota

Executive Board Meeting, March 23, 1959
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Witmer.

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. John Irwin, Mrs. Minnie Miller, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. J. J. Spaeth, Lawrence Bachman, Dr. A. E. Jameston, Mrs. Ellsworth Serstock, Mrs. Reed Swanson, Neil Barry, Mrs. Wm. Thorne, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on November 11, 1958, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Schwietz reported that the Policy Committee had met during the afternoon and wished to present the following recommendations:

That the Society continue book awards for 1959 on the basis of the established rules to those garden clubs who assist in the organization of new garden clubs, and that the Society discontinue book awards to garden clubs for increasing their own memberships.

That the Executive Board consider the possibility of combining the Garden Forum with the annual meeting and that such combined meeting be held in conjunction with a district meeting each year.

Mr. Schwietz reported that plans were being made to form groups of Twin City garden clubs into district-type organizations.

Mr. Schwietz also reported that the committee had studied information received from garden club groups regarding youth projects, and that useful information drawn from the survey would be published in the Horticulturist.

Mr. Barry moved to accept the report of the Policy Committee and specifically to approve the recommendations of the committee regarding the book awards. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that a constitutional amendment be prepared for approval of the Society members, designating May 1 as the official annual meeting date of the Society. Motion seconded by Dr. Snyder. Carried.

Mrs. Spaeth, President of the Sixth District, suggested that it might be possible to hold the 1959 Garden Forum in connection with the Sixth District Annual Meeting at Nisswa on Wednesday, June 17. She said that she would call a meeting of her district committee within a few days and let Mr. Hunt know if it appears to be possible for the district to sponsor such a combined meeting at Nisswa this year.

Mr. Hunt reported that a membership plan had been worked out by the Landscape Arboretum Advisory Committee as a means of encouraging individual participation in the Arboretum project. Four types of memberships are being offered, varying from $3 to $50 or more. Leaflets soliciting membership donations are in the process of being mailed to members of the Society and friends of the arboretum all over the state.

Mr. Lowrie reported that last October a firm of landscape architects had been hired to study the arboretum property and prepare development plans. Within the past week the final plans including a long-time development program, have been received from this firm. The plan drawing was shown and Dr. Snyder explained briefly some features included.

Dr. Snyder reported that irrigation equipment was being installed on the arboretum property on that portion designated as the nursery area. He stated that this part of the irrigation system would cost $5000 and that he had requested this amount from the Society's Arboretum Project Fund, and suggested that $2500 be transferred to the University on April 1, and the other $2500 on July 1.

The board approved appropriation of $5000 from the landscape arboretum fund for the irrigation system.

Mr. Lowrie, General Chairman of the Certified and Apprentice Judges' Study Group, explained the purpose and work being done by this very active group. Mrs. Wm. Thorne and Mrs. K. W. Fisher, serving as a program committee, have prepared a very excellent and instructive program for each monthly meeting. Members of this study group also serve on one or more of the following sub-committees:

The Exhibitors Training Committee, with Mrs. T. H. Witte as chairman, has selected thirteen dates on which one-day short courses could be scheduled by garden clubs. Eleven of these dates have already been reserved.

The sub-committee, working on the revision of the show standards booklet, with Mrs. Axel Hansen as chairman, have nearly completed their work. Copy will soon be ready for reprinting the booklet.

Mrs. George Heideman, Chairman of the Judges Certification Committee, has charge of the arrangements of bringing into the state the noted lecturer, J. Gregory Conway. The lectures and workshops will be held May 20 and 21 on the St. Paul Campus in cooperation with the University Short Course Office.

President Witmer announced that Mrs. E. J. Koempel has been appointed to prepare a Manual which will be helpful to program chairmen as a guide in building garden club programs.

Mr. Bachman moved that the board approve the appointment of the following members to the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee: Arnold Ulrich, Rochester, Chairman; Robert Dumas, Long Lake; Thomas T. Aamodt, Stillwater; Louis R. Fischer, Hastings; and Eldred Buer, Canby. Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that P. W. Young and Dr. Leon C. Snyder be appointed as members of the auditing committee.

President Witmer announced that a motion to elect a member to fill an existing vacancy in the Executive Board was in order; the vacancy, an unexpired term of one year, having been created by Mr. Schwietz's election to the office of Vice-President. Mr. Lowrie moved that Mr. Sindt be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Executive Board. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Serstock extended thanks to Dr. Snyder for his greatly appreciated assistance to the Richfield Garden Club; and then moved to commend Dr. Snyder for his excellent public relations work benefiting the Society and garden club members. Motion seconded and carried.

A motion to appoint Dr. Snyder and Mr. Lowrie to serve as alternates on the Executive Committee was seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer announced that board meetings would be held on July 20 and November 10.

Mr. Witmer briefly mentioned the starting of a speakers bureau, and the appointment of Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, chairman for the St. Paul area; and Mr. W. W. Brooks, chairman for the Minneapolis area.

Mr. Hunt read a letter from Mrs, Lanto, Secretary of the Eighth District Society, requesting that the Society reconsider the number of members required for an affiliated group. Dr. Snyder moved that the secretary advise Mrs. Lanto that the matter has been considered and that the minimum number remains at ten. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt referred to a request from the Eighth District that the State Society give any possible assistance in the district's efforts to have the State and County authorities provide public access to inland lakes. After discussion the board appointed Mr. Barry to assist Mr. Hunt in gathering any information which might be helpful.

Mr. Hunt briefly explained his appointment to the Minnesota Motorist Services Committee, on which he will represent the Society on any horticultural matters which may be considered in the planning of the new Interstate Highway System.

Dr. Snyder extended an invitation to everyone to come to the horticulture short course meetings which would be held at the University St. Paul Campus on March 24, 25, and 26.

On motion the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, July 20, 1959
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Witmer.

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, G. Victor Lowrie, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Edmund J. Phelps, Wilbert G. Sindt, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. George Kelly, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. Ray G. Hellekson, Dr. A.E. Jameston, Earl H. Maffett, Arthur J. Olson; Mrs. Earl Mallinger, representing the Ninth District Society; Cortis N. Rice, Chairman of the Budget Committee; W. H. Alderman, Chairman of the Awards Committee; Mrs. Minnie Miller, member of the Awards Committee; Mr. Alden Flygare, a guest; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on March 23, 1959, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Rice, Chairman of the Budget Committee, explained the items making up the financial report for the period, July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959. Mr. Lowrie moved that the financial report be accepted as read. Seconded by Dr. Jameston. Motion carried.

The secretary read the report submitted by the Auditing Committee. Mr. Sindt moved that the Auditors Report be accepted and placed on file. Motion seconded by Mr. Maffet. Carried.

Mr. Rice presented the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year, July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960, and briefly explained the various items in the budget. Mr. Maffet moved that the Budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1960, be approved as presented. Seconded by Dr. Jameston. Motion carried.

Mr. Alderman, Chairman of the Awards Committee, reviewed briefly the four types of Society awards and the number of each which could be awarded each year. He reported that the committee had spent considerable time studying the 1959 nominations, and that the committee were recommending twelve condidates for the Award of Merit, four candidates for the Distinguished Service Award, two for Honorary Life Memberships, and one for the Bronze Medal. He named the candidates and stated briefly the reasons for selecting them for this year's awards.

Dr. Jameston moved that Mr. Alderman's report be approved as presented. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.
(Note change in list of recipients following Board action)

Mr. Alderman presented a recommendation of his committee: -- that not more than three Honorary Life Memberships, and not more than three Bronze Medals, a combined total of not more than four of these two awards be given in any one year. A brief discussion followed. Mr. Witmer then directed the Policy Committee to consider the recommendation and present a motion regarding these two awards to the Executive Board at its next meeting.

The Board discussed proposed changes in the Society's Constitution and By-Laws in regard to the time of the annual meeting, election of officers, and selection of district delegates. No decision was reached and Mr. Witmer directed the Policy Committee to study and submit a copy of proposed changes to each member of the

board. If no serious objections are expressed, the proposed changes, as prepared by the Policy Committee, will be published and offered as amendments to be brought to vote at the coming annual meeting.

Mr. Hunt reported the following items in regard to the arboretum project: An irrigation system servicing the nursery area is nearly completed. Since March 15, 244 donor membership cards have been issued. Since that date contributions totaling $7,843 have been received. Many groups have visited the arboretum each week. Visiting hours are -- 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on week days, and 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. on Sundays. Any group wishing to visit the arboretum is requested to clear the date with Mrs. Ruth Page, secretary at the University Fruit Breeding Farm, Excelsior. The Arboretum Advisory Committee has authorized a study to determine the most desirable uniform design or style to be used in all structures at the arboretum.

Reference was made to the possibility of a Garden Forum being held in connection with a district meeting this year. Mr. Hunt was instructed to further explore the possibility of holding such a forum in one or more districts this fall.

Mr. Lowrie moved that a Visitors Day at the Fruit Breeding Farm and Arboretum be held in September -- the specific day to be set by Dr. Snyder and Mr. Hunt. Seconded by Mr. Maffet. Motion carried.

Mr. Maffet on behalf of the Peony and Iris Society thanked the Award Committee and the Society for awarding the Bronze Medal to Mr. Greaves for his outstanding work in growing and showing Peonies.

Dr. Jameston mentioned that the Dahlia Society has many good Dahlia judges.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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President Secretary

List of award recipients for 1959

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Miss Alice Berry, 312 Colfax Avenue South, Minneapolis 8, Minnesota
Mrs. A. C. Bloomquist, 2017 West 67 Street, Minneapolis 23
Mrs. Ernest Cate, Lake Hubert
Mrs. Robert Duenow, R.F.D., Otranto, Iowa
Mrs. R. A. Hallquist, 301 Holly Street, Brainerd
Mr. Frank, Hallstrom, Red Wing
* Mrs. E. D. Hammond, 828 Fifth Avenue South, St. Cloud
Mrs. Ellen Micknal, 416 Seventh Street, International Falls
Mrs. George Moen, 6420 Girard Avenue South, Minneapolis 23
Mrs. Rudolph Voss, Lakefield
Mrs. Donald E. Webber, 7404 Aldrich Avenue South, Minneapolis 23
Mr. G. Albert Strobel, 1307 East Main Street, Mankato

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. James Clark, 305 North Second Street, Austin
Mrs. Kenneth W. Fisher, 2208 Wentworth Avenue, South St. Paul
Mrs. Louise Wenner, Roseau
Mrs. Harry Wilkins, Park Rapids

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. T. H. Witte, 2015 East Old Shakopee Road, Minneapolis 20
** Dr. Leon C. Snyder, 2128 Knapp Street, St. Paul 8

BRONZE MEDAL

Mr. Glenn H. Greaves, 2200 Doswell Avenue, St. Paul 8

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* Action of 1959 Committee voided, because of duplicated previous award. (Received Certificate of Merit in 1945)

** Action of 1959 Committee voided, because of duplicated previous award. (Received Honorary Life Membership in 1953)

Executive Board Meeting, November 10, 1959
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President Witmer.

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, L. C. Snyder, Mrs. E. J. Phelps, Wilbert G. Sindt, Mrs. Stanley Lund, Mrs. John Irwin, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. Oliver L. Lee, Mrs. Ellsworth Serstock, Mrs. Reed Swanson; O. A. Bandelin, representing the Goodhue County Forum; J.D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; C. G. Hard, Chairman of the Publications Committee; Mrs. Rose Van Slyke, representing the First District; Mrs. T. H. Witte, Chairman of the Exhibitors Training Committee; Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on July 20, 1959, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Winter, Chairman of the Fruit List Committee, explained changes in the fruit list his committee proposed. He moved that the list as recommended by the Fruit List Committee be adopted. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Carried.

The secretary read a report submitted by Mr. Arnold Ulrich, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mr. Witmer commended the report. A motion to adopt the report was seconded and carried.

Dr. Hard, Chairman of the Publications Committee, briefly discussed the work of his committee and plans for the Horticulturist for the coming year. He stated that revision of the Society's Garden Information folder was under way. Mr. Bandelin moved that Dr. Hard's report be accepted and placed on file. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Witte, Chairman of the Exhibitor's Training Committee, reported that the committee had staged eleven very successful demonstration-lecture meetings in various parts of the state. Mrs. Witte expressed appreciation to those who had helped with the instruction and given so willingly of their time, efforts, and materials in making the project a success. Mrs. Lund moved to accept Mrs. Witte's report. Motion seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Carried.

Mr. Witmer thanked Mrs. Axel Hansen and her committee for excellent work in revising the Show Standards booklet.

Mrs. Irwin, Chairman of the District Study Committee, stated that her committee had completed a Standard Constitution and By-Laws for districts; and that this constitution had been presented to some of our districts for consideration; and that it had been accepted by the two new eleventh and thirteenth districts.

On motion Mrs. Irwin's report was accepted and placed on file.

Mr. Hunt reported on the final meeting of the Ninth District, and the well planned and orderly way in which the new eleventh and thirteenth districts were formed. He stated that the presidents of the new districts and their associate leaders are to be congratulated on their excellent work in re-organizing the area and maintaining garden club enthusiasm.

Mrs. Lee, the new Eleventh District President, stated that the members in her district are very well pleased with the organization of their new district.

Mr. Witmer stated that, instead of having one large State Society Annual Forum, much thought had been given to taking the Forum out to one or more districts in connection with district annual meetings, and that invitations for next year had been received from the Fourth and the First districts.

Mrs. Van Slyke, representative from the First District, reported that district president Mrs. Holden had requested her to personally repeat the invitation to have a State Garden Forum in conjunction with the First District spring meeting.

Mrs. Vestweber, president of the Fourth District, repeated the invitation of her district to hold a State Garden Forum in connection with its annual meeting to be held at Wilmont in June.

Mr. Sindt moved to accept the invitations from the First and the Fourth districts to hold State Garden Forums in these two districts next year. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz, as chairman of the policy committee, presented the following recommendations:

(1) Recommended that ... the Society in any one year be authorized to award up to three honorary life memberships and up to three bronze medals, providing the combined total of such awards for the year does not exceed four.

(2) Recommended that ... the following amendments to the by-laws be approved by this board, and be presented to the annual meeting for vote on November 10:

Amend Section 1. Affiliated Societies ... to designate the present contents as: Section 1. Affiliated Societies a.

Amend Section 1. Affiliated Societies by adding: b. Groups of affiliated societies may form district horticultural societies of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, whose purpose shall be to serve the interests of members and affiliated societies within such districts, and whose boundaries and constitutions shall be approved by the executive committee of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Amend Section 2. Officers f. ... to read: The president or alternate of each district horticultural society.

Amend Section 9. Official Publication ... to designate present contents as: Section 11. Official Publication.

Amend Section 10. Amendments ... to designate present contents as: Section 12. Amendments.

(3) Recommended that ... the board approve appointment of a committee to study possible further changes in the articles of incorporation and by-laws.

(4) Recommended that ... the members in annual meeting on November 10, 1959 be requested to adjourn said meeting to February 15, 1960, in order that additional constitutional changes, if approved and presented by the board, may be considered for adoption at that time.

(5) Recommended that ... the board authorize the expenditure of $50 for printing the "District Officers Handbook".

Following general discussion of the several recommendations, Mrs. Serstock moved that the recommendations of the policy committee be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer stated that the dinner meeting in the Vermillion Room would start at 6:15 p.m., and the annual meeting would begin at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was recessed to 7:30 p.m. in the Vermillion Room.

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Nov. 10, 1959

The recessed meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Vermillion Room.

Additional executive board members present were: G.Victor Lowrie, L.F. Holmes, Earl H. Maffett; and Mrs. Wm. S. Sweeney, representing the Minnesota Rose Society.

Mr. Witmer announced that Mrs. John Irwin was moving to California and had submitted her resignation as an elected executive board member, thus creating a vacancy of a one-year term. He asked approval of the appointment of Mrs. Frank Jensen of Brainerd, to fill the unexpired term.

Mr. Lowrie moved that Mrs. Jensen be appointed to fill the vacancy on the executive board created by the resignation of Mrs. Irwin. Motion seconded and carried.

On a motion, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, February 15, 1960
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Witmer.

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, G. Victor Lowrie, L. C. Snyder, W. G. Sindt, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, Mrs. J. J. Spaeth, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Lawrence Bachman, L. W. Holmes; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Ronald Twite, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; Cortis N. Rice, Jr., member of the Budget, Publications, and Arboretum Advisory committees; Mrs. T. H. Witte, representing the Exhibitors Training Committee; Mrs. Warren Stutzman and Mrs. George Sanders, representing the Richfield Garden Club, and Ruth Tracy, clerk.

The president requested the reading of the minutes of the November 10, 1959 meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to dispense with the reading of that portion of the minutes which listed in detail the proposed changes in the By-Laws.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on November 10, 1959 at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis. Mr. Lowrie moved that the minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Mr. Bachman. Motion carried.

A brief explanation was given regarding the system of certifying the apprentice judges, and it was announced that an examination would be held on March 7, at the St. Paul Campus. Mr. Hunt stated that the University had held a course on specimen judging. Dr. Turnquist was the instructor.

Mrs. Witte, a member of the Exhibitors Training Committee, explained a few changes which the committee were planning to make this year in their demonstration-lecture meetings. They were changing the lecture to include some judging; more instruction on the use of foliage; new charts in color were being prepared by Mrs. Enblom; a few new containers were being purchased; the teams were being changed to consist of two arrangers and one lecturer.

Mr. Schwietz reported briefly on the Garden Forum program which would be presented in connection with the First District meeting on April 30 at Adams, Minnesota. Mrs. Holden, First District President, had written that the committee was very enthusiastic about the program suggested.

Mr. Hunt reported that the same type of Garden Forum program had been suggested for the consideration of the committee in charge of the Fourth District meeting to be held in June.

Mr. Hunt explained the desirability of securing retroactive Social Security for the Society employees for the years 1956 and 1957; and that this could be made effective with a cost to the Society of approximately $40. However it would necessitate a loan from the Society of about $785 until the refund checks of approximately $745 could be prepared by the State Retirement Association.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the executive board empower Mr. Hunt with authority to work out with the Social Security agents a plan whereby the society's employees would be able upon retirement to receive maximum social security benefits, in so far as the retroactive coverage would not cost the society over $50. Motion seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Carried.

Mr. Twite moved that Mr. Lowrie and Dr. Snyder be appointed to serve as alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Motion carried.

Mr. Sindt moved that the Official Board of Directors of the Fruit Growers Association serve as members of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee with Arnold Ulrich, their president, as chairman of the committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that Wm. Hull and Royal Jennings be appointed as auditors. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer stated that a motion was in order to adjourn the Executive Board meeting, and then proceed to reconvene this group as the annual meeting recessed from November 10, 1959, in order to take action on the proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. Mr. Winter moved to adjourn the Executive Board Meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

NOTE: Upon adjournment, all members of the executive board convened as members in attendance at the annual meeting recessed from November 10, 1959. The following business was transacted:

President Witmer called the annual meeting to order at 8:15 p.m., and then turned the meeting over to Vice President Schwietz.

Mr. Schwietz asked for the reading of the minutes of the annual meeting of November 10, 1959. Mr. Winter moved that the secretary omit reading that portion of the minutes which contained the proposed changes in the Articles of Incorporation. Motion seconded and carried.

The secretary read the minutes of the annual meeting, omitting that portion containing the proposed changes in the Articles of Incorporation. Mr. Bachman moved to accept the minutes as read. Motion seconded and carried.

President Witmer resumed the chair.

The secretary then read the Articles of Incorporation including the proposed amendments as published in the February 1960 "Minnesota Horticulturist". Discussion followed regarding the wording of Section VIII. Mr. Hunt moved to change the words "at the discretion of the executive board" to read "upon approval of the executive board". After further discussion Mr. Hunt withdrew his motion. It was then moved to amend proposed Section VIII by setting off by commas the phrase "at the discretion of the executive board" and adding "The method of voting shall be determined by the executive board and at least 15 days notice shall be given." The motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. Snyder moved that the Articles of Incorporation of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society be, and the same hereby are amended in their entirety to read as follows:

Article I. Name -- the name of the society shall be Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Article II. Object, Duration, Liability --

Section 1. The object of the society shall be the advancement of the art and science of horticulture in the State of Minnesota.

Section 2. The society shall have perpetual duration.

Section 3. The society shall not afford pecuniary gain incidentally or otherwise to its members.

Section 4. The society shall have no capital stock.

Section 5. Members shall have no personal liability for corporate obligations of the society.

Article III. Membership --

Section 1. Any person may become an annual or life member of the society upon payment to the secretary-treasurer of such fees as the executive board may prescribe. Members of state or local societies interested in horticulture may become members of the society as a unit by the payment of such annual fees as the executive board may prescribe.

Section 2. Annual memberships shall expire on December 31.

Section 3. Honorary life members may be elected at any meeting of the society or executive board by a two-thirds vote of the members present and entitled to vote, provided the name of any person proposed for such membership has been referred to and approved by the executive board.

Section 4. No member shall be entitled to vote on any proposed amendment to the articles of incorporation or by-laws of the society, or at any election of officers, unless such member was a member of this corporation on or before June 30 last preceding.

Article IV. Place of Business -- The registered office, or place of business, of the society shall be in St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey, Minnesota.

Article V. Officers -- The officers of the society shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary-Treasurer and an Executive Board.

Article VI. Meetings -- Meetings of the society may be called by the president or the executive board, in the manner and at such time as is prescribed in the by-laws.

Article VII. Quorum -- Twenty members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the society.

Article VIII. Amendments -- The articles of incorporation of the society may be amended, at the discretion of the executive board, either by majority vote of the members in attendance who are entitled to vote thereon at any meeting of the society; or by majority vote through official mail ballot, provided in the case of mail ballot at least 5% of the membership votes. The method of voting shall be determined by the executive board and at least 15 days notice shall be given.

MOVED further that the president and secretary of this corporation be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to make, execute and acknowledge a certificate under the corporate seal of this corporation embracing the foregoing resolution, and to cause such certificate to be filed and recorded in the manner required by law. Motion seconded by Mr. Sindt. Carried.

The secretary then read the proposed By-Laws. Discussion followed regarding the proposed Sections 5, 6, and 12.

It was moved that the last sentence in the proposed Section 5 be amended to read as follows: "A tellers committee, appointed by the president, shall have charge of counting and tabulating the ballots and shall report the results of the balloting to the executive board who shall cause it to be published." Motion seconded and carried.

It was moved that the last sentence in the proposed Section 6 be amended to read as follows: "The secretary-treasurer shall be elected for a term of two years by the executive board at its first meeting after the election of the officers." Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Winter moved that the proposed Section 12 be amended to read as follows: "The by-laws of the society may be amended, at the discretion of the executive board, either by majority vote of the members in attendance who are entitled to vote thereon at any meeting of the society; or by majority vote through official mail ballot, provided in the case of mail ballot at least 5% of the membership votes. The method of voting shall be determined by the executive board and at least 15 days notice shall be given." Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie moved that the By-Laws of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society be, and the same hereby are amended in their entirety to read as follows:

Minnesota State Horticultural Society
BY-LAWS

Section 1. Affiliated Societies

Par. A. Members of state or local societies, interested in horticultural subjects, may become members of this society as a unit by the payment of such annual fees as the executive board may prescribe, except that no fee will be required for life members of this society. Each affiliated society shall file with the secretary a list of its members, a brief annual report of its activities, and send, if possible, a delegate to meetings of the society.

Par. B. Groups of affiliated societies may form district horticultural societies of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, whose purpose shall be to serve the interests of the members and affiliated societies within the district, and whose boundaries and constitutions and by-laws shall be approved by the executive committee of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Section 2. Officers -- The executive board shall consist of t he following:

Par. A. The president, past president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer.

Par. B. Six members elected by the society for terms of three years each, two being elected each year.

Par. C. Presidents, or alternates, of all affiliated statewide societies having twenty-five or more affiliated members.

Par. D. Presidents, or alternates, of all affiliated garden clubs or affiliated organized member groups having a membership of one hundred or more.

Par. E. The head of the Department of Horticulture, University of Minnesota.

Par. F. The president or alternate of each district horticultural society.

Section 3. Meetings -- Meetings of the society for the purpose of conducting society business, other than the election of officers, may be called at any time deemed advisable and in the good interests of the society, by the president, executive board, or upon request to the president by 25 or more members. Due notice of meetings shall be given by mail or publication in the Minnesota Horticulturist.

Section 4. By May 1, of each year the president shall appoint a nominating committee of five members. Nominations for officers shall be made by this committee by July 1. The report shall be made to the president, who shall cause it to be published in the Minnesota Horticulturist. Additional nominations may be made upon petition of at least 25 members in good standing, such petition to be delivered to the president by September 1.

Section 5. Voting for the election of officers except the secretary-treasurer shall be by mail. An official ballot shall be mailed to each member by October 15. Eligible members, after properly marking the ballot, shall mail or deliver it in person to the office of the Society not later than the second Tuesday in November. A tellers committee, appointed by the president, shall have charge of counting and tabulating the ballots and shall report the results of the balloting to the executive board who shall cause it to be published.

Section 6. All elective officers except the secretary-treasurer shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. The secretary-treasurer shall be elected for a term of two years by the executive board at its first meeting after the election of the officers.

Section 7. A candidate, to be eligible to hold an elective office, must have been a member of the society for at least three consecutive years preceding the election.

Section 8. The president and vice president shall be elected for a term of one year. The six members of the executive board elected by the members of the society shall be elected for a term of three years, two members being elected each year. No member of the executive board elected by the members of the society shall serve more than two terms consecutively.

Section 9. The term of office of all officers shall begin January 1, of the year following election.

Section 10. Duties of Officers

Par. A. President -- The president shall call and preside at all meetings of the society and the executive board and under the direction of the executive board, shall have general superintendence of the affairs of the society, and shall also appoint all necessary committees except those directly appointed by the executive board.

Par. B. Vice President -- The vice president shall assume the office and duties of the president in his absence.

Par. C. Secretary-Treasurer

(a) As secretary he shall keep a true and full record of the proceedings of the society and the executive board, conduct the correspondence of the society, have charge of its books and papers, prepare its reports for publication and attend to their distribution.

(b) As treasurer he shall receive and hold all funds of the society, and pay out the same only upon orders signed by the president or on order of the executive committee. He shall give such bond as the executive board may direct and file the same with the Secretary of State. He shall make a report of the work of his office and of receipts and expenditures annually to the executive board, and at any other time called upon by the executive board and shall publish the annual financial statement of this society in the official publication of the society.

(c) He shall receive for the necessary expenses of reporting meetings, postage, stationery, printing, office rent, assistance, salaries, and other expenses such sums as the executive board may vote therefor.

(d) The secretary-treasurer shall have charge of the society library and shall report on its condition annually to the executive board.

Par. D. Executive Board

(a) The board shall have general charge of the affairs of the society.

(b) The president shall serve as chairman of the board and shall call and preside at all meetings and endorse all bills.

(c) It shall have full charge of all funds of the society and shall expend the same in such manner as, in its judgment, shall best promote the interests of horticulture in the state, including reimbursement for necessary expenses of board members designated in Sec. 2, paragraphs A, B, and E, in attending meetings of the society or board.

(d) It shall fill all vacancies occurring in the offices of the society by appointment to hold good until the next annual election.

(e) It may call a meeting of the members of the society at any time it deems advisable, giving at least fifteen days notice thereof.

(f) It shall delegate authority to the executive committee to act in its behalf in the interims between board meetings, such executive committee actions to be subject to review by the board.

(g) The board shall appoint committees as follows:

1. An executive committee consisting of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, and two board members to act as alternates.
2. An auditing committee of two board members.
3. A Fruit Breeding Farm visitors committee of two or more suitable persons.

(h) A meeting of the executive board may be called by the chairman at any time, or upon written request of any five members of the board, due notice being given either personally or by mail to each member thereof.

(i) Quorum -- Nine members of the executive board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 11. Official Publication -- The Minnesota Horticulturist shall be the official publication of the society and a copy sent to each member as issued.

Section 12. Amendments -- The by-laws of the society may be amended, at the discretion of the executive board, either by majority vote of the members in attendance who are entitled to vote thereon at any meeting of the society; or by majority vote through official mail ballot, provided in the case of mail ballot at least 5% of the membership votes. The method of voting shall be determined by the executive board and at least 15 days notice shall be given.

Mr. Lowrie's motion in regard to amending the by-laws was duly seconded and carried.

Mr. Sindt moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Bachman. Motion carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, June 20, 1960
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Present were: Joseph M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, Wilbert G. Sindt, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. E. J. Phelps, Mrs. Frank A. Jensen, Mrs. Stanley Lund, Mrs. E. L. Swanson, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, S.L. Seaman, Mrs. Don Webber, Mrs. Richard Tutewohl, Mrs. Albert Vestweber, representing the Fourth District; L.W. Johnson, representing the Minneapolis Men's Garden Club; Ronald Twite, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; Mrs. W. G. Schroeder, representing the Twelfth District; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Mr. Witmer asked for the reading of the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting and the recessed Annual Meeting held on February 15, 1960, pointing out that they include the amended Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws in their entirety and that a printed copy of the same has been provided each board member.

Dr. Snyder moved that the secretary in reading the minutes omit those portions giving the wording of the amended Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. Motion was seconded and carried.

The secretary then read the minutes omitting the portions authorized by the above motion.

Mr. Twite moved that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Mr. Seaman. Motion carried.

In the absence of Mr. Rice, Chairman of the Budget Committee, Mr. Schwietz, a member of the committee presented a proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 1960-1961, and explained briefly the various items in the budget.

Mr. Seaman moved that the proposed budget be accepted. Seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

Mr. Schwietz reported that the Society is required to present to the State Department of Administration a budget including the Society's request for state funds for the coming biennium. He asked Mr. Hunt to explain the budget committee's recommendations in regard to this.

Mr. Hunt stated that the committee agreed that present salaries of Society employees are considerably below standard. However, the 1960-61 budget recommended by the committee does not include salary increases because anticipated income, including the present $7,500 state appropriated fund, will not be sufficient to put into effect desirable salary increases without incurring a deficit for the year. The committee therefore recommends that a strong effort be made to obtain an increased state appropriation for the biennium 1961-63, basing the request specifically on the necessity of making substantial increases in the salary items. The committee recommends that the Society request $8,500 per year for the biennium 1961-63.

Mrs. Jensen moved that the budget for the coming biennium include a request for legislature appropriated state funds in the amount of $8,500 per year for the fiscal period 1961-1963. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer reported that the Nominations Committee had met and that the Committee recommendations would be printed in the July-August issue of the Horticulturist.

Dr. Snyder in his report on the progress of the Landscape Arboretum mentioned some of the main projects which had been started: Mr. Lundie has supplied the drawings for the main entrance to the Arboretum; the money for the construction of this entrance was furnished largely by the Lake Minnetonka Garden Club; money for the Azalea and Rhododendron project is being furnished by the St.Paul Garden Club; a woodland area consisting of native flowers and shady plants will be sponsored by another prominent group; the Toro Manufacturing Company is furnishing mowers and a man to operate them during the summer. Dr. Snyder referred to the completed picnic area and also to the irrigation system which has been put in and to the plans that have been made to add to this irrigation system this spring; and that a program is underway to develop four miles of nature trails. He said that many other projects are planned and will be established as time and money permit .

Mr. Witmer praised Dr. Snyder for his work in connection with the arboretum and stated that the Society is extremely fortunate in having Dr. Snyder to head up this project.

Mr. Hunt reported that during the present fiscal year the Society has received $5902 for the Arboretum Fund, and that the total amount in the account as of June 17, 1960 is $14,914.78

Mr. Witmer stated that the organization called United Minnesota Horticulture, embracing a large number of Minnesota's horticulture organizations and industries, is making progress in its effort to assure proper recognition for the needs of horticulture at the University. As executive secretary of U.M.H., Mr. Witmer recently attended a conference of the Interim Building Committee. He stated that in the next ten year period it appears that horticulture will maintain its proper position in the program of buildings at the University.

Mr. Witmer reported that the important decision made last year to take the Forum out to one or more districts in connection with the district annual meetings, instead of having one large state society annual forum, was proving very successful. A Garden Forum was held at the First District Annual Meeting at Adams on April 20, and one was held at the Fourth District Annual Meeting at Wilmont on June 14. Both meetings were very well attended and all those in attendance seemed extremely pleased with the program. Mrs. Van Slyke, president of the First District, and Mrs. Vestweber, past president of the Fourth District confirmed Mr. Witmer's statements regarding the success of the meetings and the enthusiasm of those in attendance.

Mrs. Swanson moved that the following resolution be adopted: Resolved that the secretary properly thank all speakers who gave of their time to make the Forums so successful. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that 13 flower arrangement judges had been certified following the examination which was held on March 7 by an examining committee headed by Dr. Hard; and that 12 specimen judges had been certified following the completion of the 16-week University Extension course on the judging of fruit, flowers, and vegetables, conducted by Dr. Turnquist.

Dr. Snyder reported that Dr. Hard would be teaching an evening University Extension Course on flower arranging; and that Dr. Turnquist would be teaching the evening University Extension Course on specimen judging of fruit, flowers, and vegetables.

At 8:30 p.m., Mrs. Phelps moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded. Carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, November 14, 1960
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Witmer.

Present were: J. M. Witmer, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, L. C. Snyder, Mrs. E. J. Phelps, Mrs. F. A. Jensen, Mrs. Stanley D. Lund, Mrs. G. C. VanSlyke, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Henry Thomsen, Charles Elvig, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Mrs. C. E. Sandvig, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, S.L. Seaman, Mrs. Don Webber, Mrs. Richard Tutewohl, Mrs. Clarence Trublood, Mrs. Carl Poppenberger; Mrs. Ernest F. Krabbenhoft, alternate from Eleventh District; Mrs. I. R. Geving, representing the Thirteenth District; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Ronald Twite, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; W. H. Alderman, Chairman, and Mrs. J. J. Spaeth, members of the Awards Committee; Mrs. Axel Hansen, Chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; Mrs. Edward J. Koempel, Chairman of the District Organization Committee; O. C. Turnquist, Chairman, and Oletta Guttersen, members of the Tellers Committee; Mrs. A. W. Tenhoff, guest from Mountain Lake; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on June 20, 1960, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mr. Witmer presented a president's report in which he referred to some of the activities of the Society during the past year and the progress that had been made in many projects; these included: continued support of the arboretum, our stand on control of billboards along our interstate highways, promotion of a Garden Store Clinic, and the holding of Garden Forums and Exhibitor Training Meetings.

Secretary Hunt reported on the status of the Society, referring to the total number of members and number of affiliated groups, amount of correspondence carried on through the state office, number of books and slides loaned from the Society library. He explained that in order to hold to a minimum the cost of publishing the magazine, the printing had been changed to the offset method. He reported that an information booth had been maintained at the State Fair, and that the Society was represented on the University Agricultural Advisory Committee, the United Minnesota Horticulture Committee, and the Minnesota Motorist Services Committee.

Mr. Hunt briefly reviewed the financial report for the year ended June 30, 1960; he mentioned the purpose of setting up the equipment replacement fund, and also explained that all arboretum funds were kept entirely separate from the Society funds.

Mrs. Jensen moved to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer expressed appreciation for having in attendance one or more representatives from each of the organized districts. At his request the district representatives gave brief accounts of their district meetings, shows, special projects, and organization of new clubs.

Mr. Hunt stated that Mrs. Geving was President of the Ninth District when it was divided into two sections and formed what are now our Eleventh and Thirteenth Districts. He said that much credit was due her for accomplishing the reorganization and maintaining district enthusiasm.

Mrs. Geving turned over to the secretary a written history of the Ninth District. She reported that a complete history is being kept of the new Thirteenth District and urged that all districts keep such records.

Other interesting reports were given by the following: Mrs. Don Webber, President of the Richfield Garden Club Council; Mrs. Richard Tutewohl, President of the Bloomington Affiliated Garden Clubs; Mrs. C. E. Sandvig, President of the Minnesota Garden Flower Society; Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, President of the Duluth Garden Flower Society.

Mr. Alderman, Chairman of the Awards Committee, reviewed briefly the four types of Society awards. He reported that the awards committee was recommending twenty candidates for awards, others were deferred for various reasons. Eleven candidates were recommended for Awards of Merit, Five for Distinguished Service Awards, two for Honorary Life Memberships, and two for Bronze Medals. He named the candidates for each award and moved the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

The secretary read a report submitted by Arnold Ulrich, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mr. Hunt moved that this report be accepted. Motion seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

Dr. Snyder reported a highly successful year for the arboretum; plantings were increased by over 500 species and varieties. An azalea and rhododendron area consisting of over seventy varieties, sponsored by the St. Paul Garden Club, was established; the stonework for the main entrance to the arboretum was completed, the drawings of this had been supplied by Mr. Lundie of St. Paul, the money for its construction had been furnished largely by the Lake Minnetonka Garden Club, spring plantings of lilacs, sugar maples, and evergreens would be used to landscape this entrance; the woodland garden area consisting of native flowers and shady plants had been started. Dr. Snyder also stated that over one hundred different groups had visited the arboretum this past year.

Mrs. Axel Hansen, chairman of the Exhibitor's Training Committee, reported that the committee had staged eleven very successful demonstration-lecture meetings in various parts of the state; seven of these were local but four necessitated long distance trips to Barnesville, Walker, Morris, and Luverne. She said that the fine reception and hospitality of the people made the work very interesting and rewarding.

Mr. Witmer expressed appreciation to Mrs. Hansen and all those who had given so willingly of their time and efforts in making this project a success.

Mrs. Koempel, chairman of the District Study Committee, reported that since the completion of the Standard Constitution and By-Laws for Districts, it had been presented to five of the organized districts and that it had been adopted by the Eleventh, Thirteenth, Twelfth, and Sixth districts, and that the First District had voted at their October meeting to standardize their constitution and consider final adoption at their spring meeting in Lake City. She reported that plans were being made to form a district in the St. Paul area.

Dr. Turnquist, chairman of the Tellers Committee reported that the election ballots had been counted. He read the committee's report certifying that the following are duly elected officers of the Society: Robert V. Schwietz, President; Wilbert G.

Sindt, Vice President; Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Executive Board Member (three-year term); Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Executive Board Member (three-year term); Mrs. Frank Jensen, Executive Board Member (one-year term). On motion the Tellers Report was accepted and placed on file.

Mr. Witmer explained that a vacancy on the board would exist when Mr. Sindt takes office as vice-president. He suggested that Mr. Barclay who had received the third highest number of votes be appointed to fill the one-year term. Mrs. Klosowsky moved that Mr. Barclay be appointed an executive board member at large to serve a one-year term. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer appointed Dr. Snyder, Mrs. Phelps and Mr. Schwietz to a committee to investigate the status of property ownership in the area of the Lotus Bed in Halstad Bay to determine whether the Lotus Bed is in danger of being destroyed, and if so what action, if any, should be taken by this Society.

At 9:30 p.m. Mr. Witmer declared the meeting adjourned.

President _____ Secretary _____

List of award recipients for 1960

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mr. John Grantman,	919 East Avenue, Red Wing
Dr. C. Gustav Hard	1937 Autumn Street, St. Paul 13
Mrs. Anna Helfer,	Route 6, Brainerd
Mrs. Ray Hellickson,	Route 1, Bemidji
Mrs. John Johnson,	Taopi
Mrs. James F. McClaire,	3305 - 73 Avenue West, Duluth 10
Mrs. Gus Mohs,	805 Sixth Avenue S.E., Austin
Mrs. A. L. Satterloff,	Hwy 16-W, Route 3, Austin
Mrs. Wilbert G. Sindt,	1847 North McKnight Road, St.Paul 9
Mrs. D. H. Sullwold,	698 Cherokee Avenue, St. Paul 7
Mrs. Harry D. VanBuskirk,	286 North McCarrons Boulevard, St. Paul 17

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. R. S. Bryant,	Co. Rd. 101 and Excelsior Blvd., Hopkins
Mrs. B. I. Evans,	248 - 16 Street, Windom
Mrs. E. J. Koempel,	702 South Wilder, St.Paul 16
Mrs. G. Victor Lowrie,	2107 Glenhurst Road, Minneapolis 16
Mrs. Cortis N. Rice,	153 Interlachen Road, Hopkins

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Dr. A. E. Hutchins,	2217 Scudder Avenue, St. Paul 8
Mrs. E. L. Swanson,	2801 Jefferson Street, Duluth 12

BRONZE MEDAL

Lake Minnetonka Garden Club,	Pres. Mrs. John S. Dalrymple 2327 Pillsbury Ave., Minneapolis 4
Saint Paul Garden Club,	Pres. Mrs. Worrell Clarkson 715 Linwood Avenue, Saint Paul 5

Executive Board Meeting, April 10, 1961
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Schwietz.

Present were: Robert V. Schwietz, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. Lewis Handegard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Durant Barclay, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Charles Elvig, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, C. W. Emerson, Milton Dale, Mrs. C. E. Sandvig, Amos Granville, Mrs. Hugh Burns, Mrs. E. C. Engquist; Mrs. Rudolph Zanmiller, representing the First District; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Mrs. Hazel Sweeney, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; Others present were: Mrs. W. G. Sindt, chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, St. Paul, and Mr. W. W. Brooks, Minneapolis, Speakers Bureau; Mrs. William Kvale, representing Pomme de Terre Garden Club at Morris; Wesley Gray, Horticulturist, at the University Experiment Station at Morris; Mrs. Bill Welker and Mrs. John Anderson representing the Garden Study Club of Willmar; Mrs. G. T. Asche and Mrs. K. S. Ansorge representing the Rose Bud Garden Club of Willmar; and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on November 14, 1960, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis were read by the secretary and were approved as read.

Mrs. W. G. Sindt, chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee, stated that ten dates were being offered this year and that there were 16 or 17 on the committee who were prepared to accept assignments as instructors at these demonstration-lecture meetings. The committee is preparing a list of reference books on the subject matter to be covered. The lists will be available to persons attending the meetings.

Mr. Schwietz asked representatives from each district for a brief report.

Mrs. Zanmiller, substituting for Mrs. Van Slyke, president of the First District, stated that their Annual Meeting would be held at Lake City on April 29; and that a committee was working on their constitution and expected that they would soon have a Standard District Constitution.

Mrs. Flygare, president of the Second District, reported that the four garden clubs at Mankato would be hosts for the Garden Forum to be held on June 20 at Mankato.

Mrs. Johnson announced that the Fourth District annual meeting would be held at Mountain Lake on June 13.

Mr. Elvig stated that the Sixth District was making great plans for the Garden Forum to be held at Brainerd on June 10; and that the Sixth District clubs were scheduling an Exhibitor Training Meeting to be held at Brainerd on July 14.

Mr. Barclay stated that in the Eighth District the garden club members were interested in improving the landscaping of their homes. He also stated that he and some of the other gardeners were becoming very interested in studying and identifying varieties of ferns, believing that ferns should be considered in planning some landscape designs.

Mrs. Handegaard reported that the Eleventh District was making plans for its Annual Flower Show and had completed the planning of the show schedule.

Mrs. McGuire reported that the Twelfth District holds quarterly meetings instead of just one annual meeting, and that these quarterly meetings were proving very successful in bringing about a better understanding and closer relationships among the clubs and members in the district.

Mrs. McGuire explained that a question had arisen regarding whether members of a junior garden club (such as the Bena Buds Club) could exhibit at the district shows when they were not members of the State Society. The executive board members assured Mrs. McGuire that the State Society had no objections to the juniors exhibiting, but suggested that provision for junior exhibitors be approved by the district show committee and that the rules concerning junior exhibitors be clearly stated in the show schedule.

Mrs. Burns reported that the Richfield Garden Club's biggest project this year was to get their Wild Flower Garden started so that more of the wild flowers could be seen.

Mrs. Engquist stated that this year the principal project of the Bloomington Affiliated Garden Clubs was to help beautify the Bloomington parks. They were asking aid from the members of each club and also soliciting teenagers in the area to help in the care and planting of seedlings of shrubs.

Mr. Emerson, president of the Minnesota Hobby Beekeepers Association, briefly mentioned the value of bees to horticulture because of their help in the pollination of plants.

Mr. Schwietz reported on the progress of forming a district society in St. Paul.

Mr. Hunt introduced each of the following five guests: Mrs. Welker and Mrs. Anderson from the Garden Study Club of Willmar; Mrs. Asche and Mrs. Ansorge from the Rose Bud Garden Club of Willmar; Mrs. Kvale from the Pomme de Terre Garden Club at Morris; and Mr. Wesley Gray, Horticulturist at the University Experiment Station at Morris. The guests commented on garden club work in their area. The possibility of forming a district society in the West Central area was briefly discussed, the guests indicating that they would be interested in helping to organize the district.

Mr. Brooks reported on the number of requests for speakers from the Minneapolis Garden Clubs that he had received during the past year.

Mrs. Van Buskirk stated that many of the newly organized clubs in St. Paul, in addition to asking for help in securing the names of speakers, had also asked for help in planning their club program for the year.

Mr. Witmer, Executive Secretary of "United Minnesota Horticulture", briefly stated the purpose of that organization and how it is trying to inform the people of the need of improving the facilities for horticulture at the University.

Mrs. Sandvig reported on the bill before the legislature regarding the control of billboards along interstate highways in Minnesota. She stated that for many years the Horticultural Society had urged billboard control, and mentioned the Society's 1958 resolution, a copy of which had been sent to Washington as well as to our state legislature, and that the survey (the cost of which had been underwritten by the Lake Minnetonka Garden Club) made this year of the garden clubs throughout the state showed that a majority of our members are very much in favor of the present bill. Mrs. Sandvig urged that all interested persons contact their legislators immediately.

Mr. Hunt, reporting for Dr. Snyder, stated that most of the plants at the arboretum survived the winter very well. 400 additional varieties are being planted this spring. The 5000 tulips planted last fall should be worthwhile seeing this spring.

A pathway has been constructed into the bog area making it possible to obtain a better view of the plants in this area. Many of the crabapples should be in bloom this year at about the same time as the azaleas.

Mr. Hunt stated that Mrs. Phelps had reported that the special committee appointed at the November board meeting had ascertained that there is no immediate danger to the Lotus Planting in Halstad Bay at Minnetonka.

Mr. Hunt announced that the date of May 20 had been tentatively set for the dedication of the entrance to the arboretum. Tours will follow the dedication program.

Mr. Schwietz explained that according to the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws the board shall appoint three committees: Namely, an executive committee consisting of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, and two board members to act as alternates; an auditing committee of two board members; a Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee of two or more suitable persons.

Mrs. Sandvig moved that Mr. Witmer and Dr. Snyder be appointed to serve as alternates on the executive committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Elvig moved that Mr. Chester Anderson and Mrs. Frank Jensen be appointed as members of the Auditing Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

The President stated that he would like to have Mr. J. D. Winter serve as chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee, and asked Mr. Winter to name those he would choose to serve on his committee. Mr. Winter named the following five persons: Harry Francis, Lake City; Carroll Johnson, Becker; Eldred Buer, Canby; Arnold Ulrich, Rochester; and Victor Leidel, LaCrescent.

Mrs. Jensen moved that Mr. Winter and the five persons he named be approved to serve on the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz read the list of the other committee appointments.

The President stated that the dates of August 7 and November 20 had been set for the next two board meetings.

At 9:10 p.m. a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, August 7, 1961
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by President Schwietz.

Present were: Robert V. Schwietz, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Joseph M. Witmer, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Lewis Handegard, Durant Barclay, Mrs. Frank Jensen, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Charles Elvig, Charles Stults, Mrs. Jesse Peacock, Mrs. Selvin Bertilrud, Donald Wedge, Frank J. Coleman, Milton Dale, Mrs. Hugh Burns, Mrs. E. C. Engquist, Mrs. Dolores McRae, Amos Granville; Mrs. Clarence Lee, representing the Brainerd Flower Society; G. Victor Lowrie, Chairman of the Awards Committee: Oletta J. Guttersen, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on April 10, 1961, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary.

A motion to accept the minutes with correction of the figure "500" to "5000", in the reference to the number of tulip bulbs planted in the Arboretum, was seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the financial report for the year ending June 30, 1961; he mentioned the purpose of setting up the equipment replacement fund, and also explained that all arboretum funds were kept entirely separate from Society funds. He also pointed out that there was a net gain of $577.56 in the operation of the Society for the year.

A motion to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit was seconded and carried.

Mr. Lowrie recommended that the treasurer in submitting the annual fiscal report to the executive board also supply an accumulative report of the finances of the Landscape Arboretum Project. Mr. Witmer moved that Mr. Lowrie's recommendation be approved. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Sindt, chairman of the Budget Committee, presented a proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 1961-62 in which receipts of $19,687 and expenditures of $19,685 were anticipated. Mr. Sindt then moved that this budget, retroactive to July 1, 1961, be adopted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Van Slyke. Carried.

Mr. Lowrie, chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that nominations for 29 candidates for awards had been received; that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of August 7, after careful consideration of all nominations had agreed on recommending 17 candidates for awards. Ten candidates were recommended for Awards of Merit, four for Distinquished Service Awards, one for Honorary Life Membership, and two for Bronze Medals. Mr. Lowrie named the candidates for each award and recommended that the awards be approved by the Executive Board. Mrs. Jensen moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted. Seconded by Mr. Witmer. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

At the request of the president, those representatives present from each of the organized districts and affiliated groups gave brief accounts of their district meetings, shows, special projects and organization of new clubs.

Mr. Schwietz called attention to the report of the Nominating Committee which had been printed in the July-August issue of the Horticulturist. He named the nominees whose names would appear on the official ballot, which would be mailed to each member in October. He also reminded the board that additional nominees may be placed on the ballot by petition.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Society would have an information booth again this year at the State Fair, and that Mrs. Van Buskirk had consented to be chairman of the committee in charge of the booth.

Mr. Hunt reported that a new competition for garden clubs was being offered in the horticulture department at the State Fair.

Dr. Snyder reported that September 16 had been set for the annual "Visitors Day" at the Fruit Farm.

Dr. Snyder reported that the National Convention of the National Shade Tree Conference would be held at the Hotel Leamington in Minneapolis, August 20-25 and that one of the important features of the convention would be the premiere showing of a sound-color movie, "Trees and Their Care" produced by John Ott. He also reported that members of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboretums would tour the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum on August 23.

Dr. Snyder reported briefly on the June 3 Arboretum Gateway dedication, and on development in the arboretum this summer.

Mr. Schwietz called attention to a University Extension Class on "Horticulture Crop Judging" to start Monday Evening, October 5, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m., instructor, Dr. O. C. Turnquist. He urged that members of the board give this class all possible publicity.

Mr. Schwietz asked all the officers to urge members of garden clubs to send in their ballots for the election of state officers.

At 9:15 p.m., Mr. Schwietz declared the meeting adjourned.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

List of award recipients for 1961

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. Amos Fikkan	Roseau
Mrs. Joe Freeman	Roseau
Mrs. W. L. Hedegard	904 N.E. 14th Ave., Austin
Mrs. E. E. Krause	633 E. 4th St., Duluth 5
Mr. Earl H. Maffett	6755 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis 23
Mr. Ted Markus	2504 Calihan, Bemidji
Mrs. George H. Mc Donald	Hawley
Mrs. Donald Ryan	Riverside Drive, Brainerd
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Widdifield	Park Rapids
Mrs. Ralph Yocum	Sandstone

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Mr. Birney C. Wilkins	Star Route, Brainerd
Mrs. Inga Geving	524 Knight Ave., Thief River Falls
Mr. Carrol Rose	5239 12th Ave. S., Minneapolis 17
Mr. Orrin C. Turnquist	1459 Hythe St., St. Paul 8

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Ray Reierson	Fosston

BRONZE MEDAL

Mrs. E. D. Hammond	828 5th Ave. S., St. Cloud
Mr. Edward Hatch	4218 Robinson St., Duluth 4

Executive Board Meeting, November 20, 1961
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Schwietz.

Present were: Robert V. Schwietz, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Joseph M. Witmer, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Lewis Handegard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Durant Barclay, Mrs. Edmund J. Phelps, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Henry Thomsen, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Carl Stults, Mrs. Jesse Peacock, Mrs. Ernest Krabbenhoft, Jr., Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Donald Wedge, Mrs. C. E. Sandvig, Frank J. Coleman, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Amos Granville, Mrs. E. C. Enquist, Mrs. Hugh Burns, John E. P. Morgan, Chairman of the Arboretum Development Fund; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Mrs. Edward J. Koempel, Chairman of the District Study Committee; Mrs. W. G. Sindt, Chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; Mrs. Art Hammer, a visitor from Duluth, Oletta J. Guttersen, and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on August 7, 1961, at the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, were read by the secretary. A motion to accept the minutes as read was seconded. Carried.

Mr. Schwietz presented a president's report in which he thanked the officers, the chairmen of the various committees, and the presidents of each district for their splendid work and cooperation during the past year. He listed and briefly discussed some of the projects he thought were needed and should be promoted during the coming year. These included: (1) A speakers bureau in each of the districts; (2) More garden forums; (3) More articles in the Horticulturist by people throughout the state; (4) More assistance to district horticultural societies; (5) A section in the Horticulturist devoted to home greenhouse gardening; (6) More Society judges and a better program for the training of judges; (7) More community planting projects.

Secretary Hunt reported on the status of the Society and its main activities for the past year. He stated that the fiscal report shows that the Society is operating on a balanced budget and has modest reserves. He reported a 1961 membership of 10,741, a decrease from the previous year of 187 members. He reported that the services of the Society's office were much used, and that constant additions need to be made to the lending library of books and slide sets. A recent gift of a fine set of rose slides from Mr. Ronald Twite of the Minnesota Rose Society was reported. Briefly mentioned were many other activities including: 4-H County champion horticulturist awards, a State Fair information booth, Garden Forums, promotion of the arboretum project, and representation on the University agricultural advisory committee, United Horticulture committee, and Dutch Elm disease committee. Mr. Hunt reported that it is evident from the many contacts between the office and the Society's ten districts and 487 affiliated groups that our members throughout the state are effectively advancing the art and science of horticulture.

Mr. Winter submitted the annual report of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. He commented that the report called attention to the need of change of emphasis in work at the station - from the breeding of commercial fruit varieties to the breeding of varieties for home fruit growers, and investigations on the culture of fruits.

Mrs. Sandvig moved to accept and place on file the report of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Peacock. Carried.

Mrs. Van Buskirk, president of the newly formed Seventh District, reported that organization meetings had been held and that the standard district constitution had been adopted. She said that many clubs in the area had not taken part in the organization work but that they would be given an opportunity to join with the district

when its program of activities, now in the planning stage, is gotten under way.

Mrs. Koempel, chairman of the Districts Study Committee, reviewed the work of the committee. She said that following conferences with district officers, most districts had now adopted the standard constitution. She mentioned that two new districts, the seventh and tenth, had organized during 1961.

President Schwietz asked for brief reports on the 1961 activities of district societies and other organizations.

Mrs. Van Slyke stated that the First District had prepared and sent to each club a duplicate card to encourage the submitting of fees for each club member at an early date. She also stated that the district's Pre-Christmas Show had been very successful.

Mrs. Flygare mentioned the organization of five new clubs in the Second District during the past year. She said that the Garden Forum which was held at Mankato was a very outstanding meeting, and everyone wished that a similar meeting could be held each year. The 1962 annual meeting of the district will be held at Fairmont.

Mrs. Thomsen reported that fourteen flower shows had been held in the Fourth District during 1961, that each club in the district is working on a special project, and that the 1962 annual meeting will be held in Comfrey.

Mr. Stults, Eighth District president, reported that Mr. Leone of the Mesabi Grow Company, producers of peat products, had proposed a state-wide garden contest which his company would sponsor with the assistance of the Society. He asked for opinions on the matter.

Mr. Barclay moved that consideration of the contest matter reported by Mr. Stults be tabled until such time as Mr. Leone may write to the Society explaining in detail his proposition. Motion seconded by Mrs. Krause. Carried.

Mrs. Peacock briefly reported on the organization of the Tenth District Horticultural Society and stated that the first annual meeting of that organization held on July 22, 1961, was successful.

Mrs. Krabbenhoft in her report of the activities of the Eleventh District suggested that it would be valuable if the State Society could prepare a map for each District Society showing the geographic area and the towns in the District.

Mrs. McGuire reported that there had been an increase in garden club enthusiasm and project activities throughout the Twelfth District since they had been holding four district meetings each year.

Mrs. Sandvig reported that the members of the Minnesota Garden Flower Society had enjoyed their tour of the arboretum and that for many years they had made Christmas decorations for the Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. Burns, President of the Richfield Council of Garden Clubs, reported that their program theme for the year had been conservation; that progress had been made in their long time project of establishing a wild flower garden; and that many other projects are being continued -- such as: planting Flowering Crab Trees, making decorations, and staging shows.

Mrs. Enquist, president of the Bloomington Affiliated Garden Club, reported that the club has 40 individual groups and a membership of 628. In their "Beautify Bloomington With Mums" project they sold 1600 plants. The members have helped the Park Board by planting 3000 trees this year, and the committee is planning to plant 10,000 trees next year. To assist the individual groups, program and flower arranging clinics were held; a speakers list has been compiled, program booklets made and exchanged with each of the other groups.

Mr. Granville, president of the Men's Garden Club of Richfield, reported that the group's programs and projects are being successfully continued.

Mr. Coleman, President of the Minnesota Rose Society, stated that a rose show and the annual meeting of the American Rose Society would be held in Minnesota on June 21, 1962.

Mrs. Klosowsky, President of the Duluth Garden Flower Society, reported the Society has 37 chapters and a membership of 804. She reported several successful projects among which were: the selling of Christmas Cards, a tour to the arboretum, flower shows, and a Dorothy Biddle lecture. The society is setting up a "University Student Emergency Loan Fund".

Mr. Wedge, President of the Minnesota Nurserymen's Association, said that several nurserymen are donating nursery stock which will be sold at the association's annual meeting in December, the proceeds to be donated to the Landscape Arboretum Fund.

Mrs. Sindt, chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee reported briefly on the nature of the project during the past year. The report included the recommendation that Exhibitor Training Meetings for the coming year be of two types: one, the regular lecture-demonstration presentation; two, a work-shop meeting on specimen and flower arrangement exhibits.

Mr. John E. P. Morgan, Chairman of the "Arboretum Development Fund" stated that his committee was composed of eleven Executive Members and forty Associate Members; and that two sub-committees had been appointed, with Mrs. John S. Pillsbury as Membership Chairman, and Mrs. Horace Thompson as Foundation Chairman.

Mr. Sindt reported that auditing of Society records will no longer be done by the state auditor's office without charge. He explained that a state audit had not been made for some years and suggested that a policy for ensuring a thorough annual audit be formulated.

Mrs. Phelps stated that in her opinion an annual audit by a qualified auditor or auditing firm should be secured even though some cost might be involved.

Mr. Witmer volunteered to obtain some information about the availability and cost of competent auditing services.

Mr. Sindt moved that the executive committee be directed to further investigate the matter of auditing and to take action as seems necessary to have the present records audited and to provide in the future for thorough annual audits. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky; carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that a Mr. Raymond W. Pauly of Watertown, Minnesota, had on October 30, 1961, donated to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society a collection of seventy horticultural books. He stated that these books appear to have historical value but would be of little value in the Society's loan library.

Mrs. Koempel moved that Mr. Hunt be authorized to donate the books to the University Agricultural Library. Motion seconded by Mrs. Van Buskirk. Carried.

Dr. Snyder explained briefly the Peter Gideon Memorial Fund which was raised many years ago by members of the Society to perpetuate the memory and work of Peter Gideon. He stated that the fund was deposited with the Board of Regents of the University with the provision that interest may be used to encourage students in the Saint Paul School of Agriculture by offering prizes. As the St. Paul School of Agriculture has been discontinued some disposition should be made of this fund.

Mrs. Sandvig moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to enter into agreement with the University on such changes as may be appropriate in making awards from the Gideon Memorial Fund available to students at the University of Minnesota. Motion seconded by Mrs. Peacock. Carried.

Dr. Snyder, Chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1962, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation the following were duly elected: President, Robert V. Schwietz; Vice President, Wilbert G. Sindt; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. Norman Flagstad and Mrs. I. R. Geving; Board Member for one-year term, Durant Barclay. On motion the Tellers Report was accepted and placed on file.

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved that a unanimous vote be cast for Mr. Hunt to serve as secretary-treasurer for a two-year term. Seconded by Mrs. Koempel. Motion carried.

Mrs. Van Buskirk, Chairman of Attendants at the State Fair Information Booth, requested that thought be given to the possibility of district society cooperation in providing booth attendants at the 1962 Fair.

Mr. Barclay suggested that members in all parts of the state be on the alert for native plants that Dr. Snyder might find useful for planting in the Arboretum.

President Schwietz stated that the dates of April 2, August 6, and November 19 had been set for the 1962 board meetings.

At 9:45 p.m., Mr. Schwietz declared the meeting adjourned.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, April 2, 1962
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Vice President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, Joseph M. Witmer, E. M. Hunt, Dr. L.C. Snyder, Mrs. I.R.Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Durant Barclay, Mrs. G.C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Jessie Peacock, Mrs. Ernest Krabbenhoft, Mrs. Selvin Bertilrud, G.F. Hanson, Frank J. Coleman, Kenneth W. Fisher, Mrs. T.J. Rouleau, Mrs. Paul Thury, Mrs. Mark Richardson, representing the Fourth District; Miss Mary Shields, representing the Seventh District; Mrs. Clarence Hart, representing the Twelfth District; J.D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Mrs. W.G. Sindt and Mrs. H.R.Weyer, Co-chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; Don Dagoberg, a guest; and Ruth Tracy, clerk.

Mr. Sindt informed the board of the death of Mrs. Guttersen, membership secretary in the office, on March 9. He asked the group to rise to observe a moment of silence in honor of Mrs. Guttersen.

The chairman stated that the minutes of the last board meeting had been mailed to each member and asked if there were any questions. Mr Witmer moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with. Motion seconded, carried.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the matter of Garden Forums held in connection with district meetings. In 1960, Garden Forums were held in Districts One, Four, and Eight. In 1961, in Districts Eleven, Two and Six. He reported that applications for 1962 Forums had been received from Districts One, Twelve and Thirteen. He said that the dates were not definite yet; but the First District had requested a fall meeting to be held in Austin, and plans were in progress for spring meetings in Districts Twelve and Thirteen.

Mrs. Sindt, Co-chairman of the Exhibitor Training Meetings for 1962, mentioned that this year two types of meetings are being offered: one, the lecture-demonstration meetings similar to those conducted last year; the other, a "work-shop" with limited registration. She said that the instructors were enthusiastic about the new work-shop meetings and were hoping that requests would be received soon.

Mr. Sindt asked for a brief report from each district or organization.

Miss Shields reported that the new Seventh District was composed of 15 clubs with a membership of 400. The first annual meeting will be held April 26 with an afternoon and an evening program.

Mrs. Krabbenhoft reported that several localities in her district are becoming interested in starting garden clubs. A very active new club has been started at Dilworth, and a date has been set for an organization meeting at Breckenridge.

Mr. Coleman reported that the National Rose Show will be held at the Mutual Hardware Building in Minneapolis on June 21-23; rose growers and hybridizers from France, Ireland, Germany and Canada are expected to attend.

Mr. Fisher reported that the Gladiolus Society is working on improving the standards of judging gladiolus shows. A judging school will be held at St. Charles on July 29. The regular Gladiolus show would be held on August 5 and 6 at the First National Bank ~~Building~~, and there will also be a Gladiolus Show at the State Fair which is open to everyone.

Mrs. Thury stated that the East Side Area Council, consisting of 250 members from eleven clubs, staged a successful Holiday Fair. Proceeds from this will be used for the Juliet State School for crippled children.

Dr. Snyder reported that the Arboretum Committee had been negotiating this winter for a pavilion, a place under cover where groups can meet; and that the architectural plans for this gift to the Arboretum now are being drawn. He reported that the University had authorized the building of a machine shed. He also reported that the Development Fund Executive Committee is investigating the possibility of obtaining another 100 acres of land for the Arboretum. The annual Arboretum report is now at the printers and will soon be ready for distribution.

Mr. Hunt stated that arrangements have been made for a state audit of the Society accounts for the fiscal year closing June 30, 1961; he also reported that seventy horticultural books, donated to the Society by Mr. Raymond Pauly of Watertown, Minnesota, have been turned over to the Agricultural Library of the University, and are being examined to see what use can best be made of them.

Mr. Hunt stated that through the generosity of Mr. Witmer two new sets of slides had been added to the slide library-- one set on annuals, and one set on perennials; he also stated that the new set of rose slides is being circulated as fast as possible.

Miss Shields mentioned that Mrs. Van Buskirk, who was in charge of the Society's State Fair Booth last year was interested in knowing if any of the clubs in the districts would be interested in assisting in the Society's booth for one day.

Mr. Witmer expressed the desire of those conducting the Garden Forums to find out how these meetings might be improved. The question was brought up regarding door prizes or presentation of other special entertainment at forum meetings. The concensus of the group was that entertainment and special program items or activities should be dispensed with or held at a minimum so that the Forum will be mainly an educational program on gardening.

Mr. Sindt entertained a motion for adjournment. Motion seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Executive Board Meeting, August 6, 1962
Saint Paul Hotel, Saint Paul, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Vice President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. E. W. Arndt, Mrs. Donald Ryan, Mrs. Jesse Peacock, Mrs. Dale Bishop, Mr. G. F. Hanson, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Frank J. Coleman, K. W. Fisher, Mrs. T. J. Rouleau, Don C. Morton, Mrs. Richard Yost, Mrs. Harvey Schulz, Mrs. Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk; three guests were present - Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke from Northfield, Mrs. Robert Peacock from Alexandria, and Mr. Richard Yost from Richfield.

Mr. Sindt stated that the minutes of the April 2, board meeting had been mailed to each board member and asked if anyone wished to have the minutes read or if there were any questions regarding them.

Mrs. Peacock moved that the minutes be approved as written. Motion seconded by Mrs. Johnson. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the financial report for the year ending June 30, 1962; he mentioned the purpose of setting up the equipment replacement fund, and also explained that all arboretum funds were kept entirely separate from Society funds. He pointed out that there was a net loss of $508.98 in the operation of the Society for the year, and that the arboretum balance showed that the expenditures exceeded the contributions by $5,324.30. However $12,000 of the arboretum expenditures was a transfer made on June 28 to the University to be used for maintenance of the arboretum during the coming months. He also mentioned that an accumulative summary of the finances of the landscape arboretum project had been attached to the 1961-62 fiscal report.

Mrs. Flygare moved to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit. Motion seconded by Mrs. Johnson. Carried.

Mr. Sindt, chairman of the Budget Committee, presented a proposed budget for the fiscal year 1962-63 in which receipts of $18,994 and expenditures of $18,994 were anticipated.

Mr. Witmer moved that the proposed budget be approved. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Sindt reported that the Society is required to present to the State Department of Administration a budget including the Society's request for state funds for the coming biennium 1963-1965. He stated that the budget committee recommended that the Society request the legislature for a 10% increase.

Mrs. Rouleau moved that the budget for the coming biennium include a request for state appropriated funds in the amount of $8,250 per year for the fiscal period 1963-1965. Seconded by Mrs. Peacock. Motion carried.

Reference was made to the decrease in memberships from affiliated groups during the past year. Discussion followed regarding possible causes for this decrease and ways in which districts and local clubs might get all their members to affiliate with the state Society.

Mr. Sindt explained that the Society's Exhibiting and Judging Standards booklet was now out of print; and asked whether the members thought this booklet should be revised and reprinted.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the Exhibiting and Judging Standards booklet be revised and reissued in an economical quantity. Seconded by Mrs. Peacock. Motion carried.

Mrs. VanSlyke, past president of the First District, reported on the newly formed Speakers Bureau in that district. Cards were mailed to each club requesting that members who had or could give a talk on one or more subjects send in their names and the subjects on which they would talk. From the answers received, the "Speakers Bureau" list of subject titles was prepared and mailed to each garden club in the district. Speakers will receive from 7½¢ to 10¢ mileage, but no other compensation or gift.

Mr. Fisher enumerated the Gladiolus Shows that will be held in different parts of the state during August and extended an invitation to everyone to attend.

Mr. Hanson advised the board of the annual Iris Auction that will be held by the Twin City Iris Society on Thursday and extended an invitation for members to attend.

Mr. Coleman thanked the Horticultural Society for its cooperation during the recent National Rose Show. He also mentioned the rose bed which had been planted near the Agriculture-Horticulture Building on the State Fair Grounds.

Mrs. Rouleau extended a very cordial welcome to the members to attend the Duluth Garden Flower Society's 35th Annual Show to be held on August 14 and 15.

Mr. Witmer asked for an opinion from the board as to whether it would be advisable to negotiate with the "Twins" management to obtain a block of tickets for a baseball game at Metropolitan Stadium, the rebate received from the sale of tickets to be donated to the arboretum. The consensus was not to attempt the project at this time.

Mr. Sindt reported on a suggested membership promotion plan involving the awarding of prizes on the basis of membership number drawings. He asked for discussion of this or other possible promotion plans. Discussion followed but no conclusions or recommendations were reached.

Mr. Hunt reported that Mrs. VanBuskirk again would be in charge of the Society Information Booth at the State Fair this year. He announced that the State Fair competition for garden clubs offered for the first time last year would be repeated. He asked members to encourage more groups and individuals to exhibit at the fair.

Mrs. Flagstad suggested a program booklet contest in which each garden club would be asked to send its program booklet to the state office to be judged.

Mr. Sindt stated that the next board meeting was scheduled for November 19 and asked if there was a preference for St. Paul or Minneapolis. Discussion indicated a desire to return to the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis for the November meeting.

Members expressed pleasure in seeing the Gladiolus Show and emphasized the desirability of holding board meetings, whenever possible, at a time when some special event in the Twin Cities area is taking place. This enables delegates from out in the state to take back to their garden club members a more interesting and informative report. Mr. Hunt said the office would try to include mention of such events in meeting notices.

Several of the members mentioned ways in which their clubs had raised money for the arboretum: Mrs. Flygare said their group put on a plant sale; Mrs. Johnson said they had held a white elephant sale; the Eleventh District had also been successful with their white elephant sale; Mrs. Bishop referred to their combined tea and plant sale, where 25¢ was charged for the luncheon; Mrs. Hedegard said they had received $50 for serving a luncheon to a special group, and had been asked to do it twice a year.

Mrs. Rouleau asked what would be the best time of year to hold a Garden Forum. In the discussion that followed no definite conclusions were reached. Members were advised of the Garden Forum to be held in Austin October 6.

At 9:00 p.m., Mr. Coleman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded and carried.

President

Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 19, 1962
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Schwietz.

Present were: Robert V. Schwietz, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Joseph M. Witmer, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Edmund J. Phelps, Durant Barclay, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Mrs. Jesse Peacock, Mrs. Dale Bishop, Mrs. Orlando Chervestad, Donald Wedge, G. F. Hanson, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Mrs. T. J. Rouleau, Don C. Norton and guest from the Richfield Men's Garden Club; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; L. W. Melander, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; Mrs. W. G. Sindt, chairman of the Exhibitor Training Committee; Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky and Mrs. Arthur Hammer, guests from the Duluth Garden Flower Society; Mrs. Harriett I. Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

Mrs. Peacock moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of August 6, and moved that the minutes as furnished to the members be approved. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on "How the Society is doing". He referred to the previously printed fiscal report and called attention to the fact that the society had a net loss of 248 members for the year, apparently caused by a slight decrease in the number of members per club.

Mr. Winter presented the report of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee. He mentioned the many different kinds of fruits being used in the research program and the wide scope of the fruit breeding program and cultural studies. He commented on the orderly and well kept appearance of the grounds at the Fruit Breeding Farm.

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved to accept the report of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Dr. Snyder reported that the physical development of the arboretum had progressed very satisfactorily during 1962. He commented on the various plantings, structures and other improvements made during the year.

Dr. Snyder stated that money furnished by Henry McKnight had enabled the Society to take an option on 97 acres of land adjoining the present arboretum; the Saint Paul Garden Club decided to raise the money to purchase the land over a five-year period - $10,000 of this must be on hand to enter into a contract for purchase; the Society, if it wishes to do so, must exercise the option by January 1, 1963; authority to enter into such a transaction rests with the Executive Board.

Mr. Winter moved that the Executive Committee in behalf of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society be authorized to exercise the option and contract for the purchase of the additional land for the arboretum at the proper time. Motion seconded by Mrs. Witte. Carried.

Mrs. Johnson moved that the Executive Committee in consultation with Dr. Snyder name members of an Arboretum Technical Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Peacock. Carried.

Mrs. Sindt, chairman of the Exhibitors Training Meetings, reported on the work of her committee during the past year, explaining the two types of meetings offered and suggested some changes in the planning and work of the instructor-teams for the

coming year. She expressed thanks and appreciation to those who had helped with the planning and instruction and given so willingly of their time. Mr. Winter moved the report be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Van Buskirk. Carried.

Mr. Schwietz presented a president's report in which he thanked the officers and various committee members for their cooperation during the past year. He mentioned a few of the projects which he thought were needed, among these were a speakers' bureau in each district, more community projects, more garden forums in order to stimulate more interest in the district meetings, a section in the "Horticulturist" with articles on greenhouse gardening.

Dr. Snyder, Chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1963, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation the following were duly elected: President, Wilbert G. Sindt; Vice President, E. C. Lehman; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Carl J. Holst. On motion the Tellers Report was accepted and placed on file.

Mr. Hunt stated that an audit of the Society's fiscal records for the year 1960-61 had been made by Mr. Mathieson of the Department of Agriculture, section of auditing, and that his report showing that the records are in apparent good order, is in hand. He also stated that Mr. Mathieson's examination of the records for 1961-62 had been completed but that the written report had not yet been received.

Dr. Snyder moved to accept the audit report for the year 1960-61. Motion seconded and carried.

For purpose of accepting arboretum donations of shares of stocks, Mr. Hunt asked that the following resolution be adopted:

> "Resolved, that the President, and the Secretary-Treasurer of this corporation, be and they hereby are fully authorized and empowered to transfer, endorse, sell, assign, set over, and deliver any and all shares of stock, bonds, debentures, notes, evidences of indebtedness, or other securities now or hereafter standing in the name of or owned by this corporation, and to make, execute, and deliver, under the corporate seal of this corporation, any and all written instruments necessary or proper to effectuate the authority hereby conferred."

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved that the resolution as read be adopted. Motion seconded carried.

Mr. Witmer, chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that nominations for 27 candidates for awards had been received; that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of November 19, after careful consideration of all candidates had agreed on recommending 17 candidates for awards. Eleven candidates were recommended for Awards of Merit, five for Distinguished Service Awards, one for Honorary Life Membership. Mr. Witmer named the candidates for each award and recommended that the awards be approved by the Executive Board. A motion was made, seconded and carried that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Brief reports were given by the various district presidents in attendance, and by other members, in regard to the progress being made in their respective areas and organizations.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Society's Show Standard booklet, now out of print, is being revised by a committee, in the hope that it can be reprinted in the near future.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

President

Executive Secretary

List of award recipients for 1962

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mr. Carl Almquist	Center City
Mrs. Ed Struck	Austin
Mrs. Holger Ostgaard	Sherburn
Mrs. Ted La Sar	Brainerd
Mrs. Harold Worcester, Sr.	McGregor
Mrs. Hans Holman	Duluth
Mr. C. W. Richards	Bemidji
Mrs. Lucille (Harold) Grotte	Bemidji
Mrs. Martin Gulbranson	Thief River Falls
Mrs. Herman Christopherson	Thief River Falls
Mrs. Bertina Setran	Badger

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Mr. Kenneth W. Fisher	South Saint Paul
Mrs. Helen (Omar) Holden	Houston
Mrs. Eva (Alfred) Schroeder	Eagle Bend
Mrs. Oliver Lee	Perley
Mrs. Edgar Wold	Roseau

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. Donald Finger	Northfield

Executive Board Meeting, March 4, 1963
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, E. C. Lehman, Robert V. Schwietz, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Carl J. Holst, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Dr. Leon Snyder, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Alden Flygare, Mrs. Donald Ryan, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Mrs. Dale Bishop, Alden G. Cosad, G. F. Hanson, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Ronald A. Twite, E. B. Haedecke, Mrs. M. C. Gilhousen, Mrs. T. J. Rouleau, Mrs. Henry Cathelineau, representing the Tenth District; Mr. John E. P. Morgan, Chairman of the Arboretum Development Fund Committee; Mrs. Merle Kalbraner, a guest from the Bemidji Garden Club; Mr. Don Dagberg, a guest from the Richfield Men's Garden Club; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The chairman stated that the minutes of the November 19 board meeting had been mailed to each board member and if there were no corrections or additions they would stand approved as presented.

Mr. Sindt stated that there were a few committee appointments that should be made by the board at this meeting: namely an Executive Committee consisting of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, and two board members to act as alternates; an Auditing Committee of two board members; a Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee of two or more suitable persons.

Mr. Hanson moved that past president Robert V. Schwietz; and the head of the Department of Horticulture, Dr. L. C. Snyder, be appointed as the two alternates on the Executive Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Motion carried.

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved that Robert V. Schwietz and Charles Hawkins be appointed to serve as auditors. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Cosad moved that the following serve as members of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee: Kenneth Law, Chairman, Carrol Johnson, Robert Dumas, Charles Huntting, and Arthur Jacobsen. Motion seconded by Mr. Twite. Carried.

The president stated that it was desirable to have two arboretum committees approved by the Executive Board of the Society. One of these committees would be the Arboretum Technical Committee consisting of Edmund Phelps, Felix Dhainen, and Vincent Bailey. Mr. Twite moved that the appointment of this committee be approved by the Board. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Sindt stated that the second committee would be the Arboretum Development Fund Committee consisting of the following: John E. P. Morgan, Chairman, G. Victor Lowrie, Vice Chairman, Mrs. John S. Pillsbury, Mrs. Stanley Hawks, Mrs. John G. Ordway, Joseph Witmer, Stanley Wenberg, Leon C. Snyder, William Hueg, Milton F. Kernkamp, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt. Mr. Holst moved that the Executive Board approve the appointment of the members of the Arboretum Development Fund Committee for 1963 as read by Mr. Sindt. Motion seconded. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that considerable thought had been given to the revising of the "Flower Show Booklet" and suggested that it would be desirable to have an expression by the Board as to whether this booklet should be duplicated by mimeograph, as in past; or should be printed. He described four different plans, stating the approximate cost of each and the possible means of recovering the investment. After a discussion of each plan, Mr. Hanson moved that plan Four, which called for the printing of 3000 copies of the booklet (an investment of approximately $1,060) be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. Van Buskirk. Carried.

Dr. Snyder reviewed progress at the arboretum during the past year. Mr. Morgan, reporting on the work of the Arboretum Development Fund, mentioned that soon after the original 160 acres had been given by the Lake Minnetonka Garden Club, it was felt that there was a need for additional land. He reported that the St. Paul Garden Club, some months ago, decided to undertake the project of purchasing 99 acres of the Williams property, adjacent to the arboretum. He further explained that recently an interested party had offered to donate $15,000 toward the purchase of an additional 45 acres (Hermann Farm). Total cost of the property would be $30,000; therefore, it will be necessary to secure another donor or donors for the other half. Mr. Morgan stated that the committee feels that this is too good an opportunity to pass up.

Mr. Twite moved that the Society accept the $15,000 toward the purchase of the Hermann property and enter into a contract to purchase, using as earnest money $1,500 from the Society's "operation fund", the fund to be reimbursed from a special donation (Bennett) now in the Arboretum account. Motion seconded and carried.

Dr. Snyder stated that during May, "Arboretum Month", a free plant will be given each person who has paid a 1963 membership in the arboretum, providing the member presents his or her membership card at the arboretum. The committee hopes to reach a goal of 1,000 members for 1963.

Mr. Hunt reported that he had appeared before both the Senate and House Appropriations Committees regarding the Society's request appropriation, and had also attended legislative hearings on Highway Billboards. He explained briefly the history and purpose of the Mississippi River Parkway project. Mr. Twite moved that the secretary be authorized to prepare a resolution expressing the Society's interest in the project and its wish for legislative action in support of it. Motion seconded by Mr. Holst -- Carried.

Mr. Hunt stated that the financial records for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 had been audited and that a report from the State Auditor had been received.

Mr. Sindt explained that for several years the Society had been a member of the American Horticultural Society and that $8.00 had been paid for dues for 1963; however, we recently received a notice that the dues had been raised to $15.00. Mr. Holst moved that the Society continue its membership in the American Horticultural Society by submitting the additional $7.00 required. Motion seconded, carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that Mrs. Luxton had given to the Society Mr. Luxton's library of horticultural books. A motion instructing the secretary to write to Mrs. Luxton thanking her for the books was seconded and carried.

The president reminded the members that the next board meeting is tentatively set for Monday, August 5, at the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis. Possibly the Minnesota Gladiolus Society Show will be held in Minneapolis on that date.

Mr. Haedecke moved that the secretary write Mr. Witmer expressing the sentiments of the Society regarding his new position as garden columnist for the Minneapolis Sunday Tribune, and also write Mr. Allen, Sunday news editor. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz called attention to the need of more Society members. He also cited the need of many homeowners for practical horticulture information.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 5, 1963
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. J Arthur Johnson, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Mrs. Jesse Peacock, Mrs. Dale Bishop, Alden T. Cosad, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Ronald Twite, Mrs. T. J. Rouleau, Mrs. John Larsen; J. M. Witmer, Chairman of the Budget Committee; Rev. Eldrin W. Minks, representing the First District; Andrew Litvany, representing the Richfield Men's Garden Club; Mrs. Don Dagoberg a guest; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The chairman stated that the minutes of the March 4, board meeting had been mailed to each board member and if there were no corrections or additions they would stand approved as presented. Mrs. Peacock moved to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mr. Cosad. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1963.

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Witmer, chairman of the Budget Committee, reported that his committee had met and studied very carefully the Society's finances. For the past two years the Society's expenses had exceeded its income, and in addition to this the state appropriated funds had been decreased from $7500 to $5000. These factors indicated that important changes would have to be made; therefore the budget committee recommended:

(1) To raise membership fees to -- $2.00 club (affiliate) rate, annual; $2.50 direct, annual; $6.00 direct 3-yr. term; $40.00 life.

(2) Publish 8 issues only per year of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" magazine.

(3) Require increase of $650 (total of $1200 per year) for arboretum administrative services.

Mr. Witmer moved that the proposed budget incorporating these changes be approved by the board. Motion seconded by Mr. Twite. Carried.

Mr. Twite moved that announcement to the members be made that the new 1964 membership rates are in effect and that the office accept memberships at the old rate only until September 15, 1963. Motion seconded by Mr. Cosad. Carried.

Mr. Twite moved that a special State Fair rate of $2.00 be offered for the direct (non-club affiliate) memberships paid at the State Fair Booth this year. Seconded by Mr. Cosad. Motion carried.

Mr. Sindt read the report of the Nominating Committee, naming the nominees whose names would appear on the official ballot to be printed in the October issue of the "Minnesota Horticulturist". He mentioned that a brief paragraph of the qualifications of each nominee would also be printed in the same issue of the magazine.

Mrs. Van Buskirk, in charge of the Society's State Fair Information Booth, stated that she already had many of the attendants lined up but more were needed and she would be pleased to know of any club or individuals interested in assisting at the booth.

Mr. Hunt reported that 3000 copies of "The Flower Show" booklet had been printed at a total cost of $997.85. Through July 31,1963, 1042 copies had been sold for $691.87. The estimated mailing cost was $45, leaving a net return at this date of approximately $646.87.

Brief reports were given by the presidents or representatives of each of the districts and affiliated groups. These reports included dates of flower shows, demonstrations, and special events planned as well as some special projects being started by some of the groups.

Mr. Sindt reminded the members present of the special exhibit class offered for garden clubs at the State Fair flower show.

Mr. Sindt stated that the next board meeting was scheduled for November 18.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

President

Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 18, 1963
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Robert V. Schwietz, Carl J. Holst, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Norman Owens, John Fritzen, Mrs. Henry de Cathelineau, Mrs. Dale Bishop, Mrs. Orlando Chervestad, Charles Hawkins, G. F. Hanson, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Ronald A. Twite, Vern Linder, E. B. Haedecke, Dwight Stone, Mrs. M. C. Gilhousen; Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, member of the Awards Committee; J. D. Winter, Representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association; Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, a guest from Northfield; Mrs. John Fritzen and Mrs. Lambert, guests from Duluth; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The chairman entertained a motion that the minutes of the August 5 Executive Board Meeting be approved as presented in the printed form which had been previously mailed to each board member, providing there were no corrections or additions. Mrs. Van Buskirk moved the minutes be approved as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Sindt presented a president's report in which he referred to the increased activities in our district organizations. He also referred to the Flower Show booklet, which had been printed in late spring, stating that over half of the booklets had already been sold. He mentioned the action taken by the State Legislature in reducing the funds allocated to the Society which made it necessary to change the Society's membership rates. Mr. Sindt expressed appreciation to all board members, committee chairmen and others who had given so freely of their time in helping the Society; and thanked each of the office personnel for services during the past year.

Secretary Hunt reported on the status of the society and its main activities for the past year. He stated that although there has been a decrease in membership over the past few years, the society is still one of the largest in the nation and in his opinion the organization is strong and will continue to have great influence on the development of horticulture in Minnesota.

The secretary read a report submitted by Kenneth Law, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mr. Hunt moved that this report be accepted. Motion seconded by Mr. Winter. Carried.

Dr. Snyder reported a highly successful year for the Landscape Arboretum, referring to the additional land under contract for purchase, the fine growth of all plantings in spite of the very dry weather, the very large number of visitors, the increase in the number of membership cards issued, and the increase in the persons and groups wishing to sponsor special projects.

Mrs. Van Buskirk reported briefly on the Society's information booth at the State Fair and expressed appreciation for the cooperation of 80 volunteer booth attendants.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the president's, the secretary's, the arboretum, and the State Fair information booth reports.

Mrs. Witte, chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that nominations for 36 candidates had been received; that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of November 18, after careful consideration of all nominations had agreed on

recommending 16 candidates for awards. Ten candidates were recommended for Award of Merrit, five for Distinguised Service Awards, and one for Honorary Life Membership. Mrs. Witte named the candidates for each award and recommended that the awards be approved by the executive board.

Mr. Haedecke moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted. Motion seconded and carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of the official minutes.

Dr. Snyder, chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1964, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation the following were duly elected: President, Wilbert G. Sindt; Vice-President, Carl J. Holst; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, and Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke. On motion the Tellers Report was accepted and placed on file.

The chairman explained that the existing vacancy, caused by Mr. Holst being elected to the office of vice-president, should be filled by executive board appointment. It was the consensus of the board that this vacancy be filled by "flipping a coin" to break the existing tie for third place on the tabulation of votes cast ..... the winner was Mrs. Koempel.

Mrs. Hedegard moved that Mrs. Koempel be appointed to serve on the executive board for one year. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Van Buskirk moved that Mr. Hunt be appointed secretary-treasurer for two years, 1964 and 1965. Seconded by Mr. Linder. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the controversy regarding the banning of billboards on the new federal highways was still very active, and asked that the executive board consider the following resolution in order to make known to the public the position of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society on this important question:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS The Minnesota State Horticultural Society, representing more than 10,000 members, is highly conscious of and concerned with the natural beauty of Minnesota as seen from our highways.

AND WHEREAS natural beauty already is impaired by advertising signs not adequately controlled

AND WHEREAS Federal highways now under construction or planned for the future will open the way to greater impairment of natural beauty

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of this Society it is imperative that steps be taken immediately to minimize highway traffic hazards and to preserve Minnesota's priceless scenic beauty

AND WHEREAS failure of the Minnesota State Legislature in two sessions to enact measures bearing on these problems as related to federal highways is extremely regrettable

BE IT RESOLVED that this Society now call upon the members of the Minnesota State Legislature to enact without further delay measures providing for supervision and control of advertising devices along Federal highways in Minnesota adequate to prevent such devices from becoming a threat to traffic safety and scenic beauty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be published in the Minnesota Horticulturist magazine and that the secretary be instructed to send copies of this resolution to the Governor of Minnesota, the Commissioner of Highways and to such other persons as may seem appropriate.

Mr. Schwietz reported that the executive committee had discussed the possibility of a tour on March 6, 7, 8 1964 to the "Chicago World Flower and Garden Show". He stated that the committee at its meeting on November 4, passed the following motion: --- "Moved that a tour to the Chicago Flower Show under the sponsorship of the Society be favorably considered; and that the president appoint a committee to work out and present the details of such a tour.

Mr. Twite moved that the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the Society sponsored tour be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Stone. Motion carried.

The president asked the secretary to read another recommendation of the Executive Committee: "Moved that the matter of Minnesota State Horticultural Society cooperation with the Minnesota Federated Garden Clubs on a special project be given consideration, and that the president appoint a special committee for the purpose of investigating and reporting on possible projects.

Mr. Holst moved that the recommendation regarding the Horticultural Society cooperation with the Federated Garden Clubs on a special project be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Handegaard. Motion carried.

Brief reports were given by the various district presidents in attendance, and by other members, in regard to the progress being made in their respective areas and organizations. Among the many different projects mentioned were: flower shows, plant sales, auctions, bazaars, holiday displays, workshops, demonstrations, membership drives, $100 scholarships, display gardens, tours, trophy for best garden for the year, sponsoring of a special arboretum project.

The president appointed Mr. Schwietz chairman of the committee to plan the tour to the Chicago Flower Show

Mr. Sindt stated that the tentative dates of March 9, August 3, and November 16 had been set for the 1964 board meetings.

Mr. Stone moved that the Secretary of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society write a letter to Mr. Hull commending him on his ~~appointment as~~ election to President of the Men's Garden Clubs of America; and also a letter to Mr. Haekecke as a Director of the Men's Garden Clubs of America. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz called attention to the fact that Chrysanthemum Shows staged by both St. Paul and Minneapolis park departments would again be held this fall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

List of award recipients for 1963

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mr. Rollo F. Dean	Blue Earth
Mrs. A. E. Eske	Litchfield
Mrs. Elmore Greening	1007 5th St. N.W., Austin
Mr. Albert I. Nelson	3404 Snelling Ave. S., Minneapolis
Mrs. Geneva Ovrum	Thief River Falls
Mrs. T. J. Rouleau	4105 W. 8th St., Duluth
Mrs. William Russell	Remer
Mrs. Robert Sanford	Palisade
Mr. A. F. Shira	Homer
Mrs. A. G. VanSlyke	201 Nevada, Northfield

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Mr. Melvin Bergeson	Fertile
Mrs. Wesley McGuire	Cass Lake
Mr. Joseph C. Priley	203 8th Ave. E., Duluth
Mrs. Sever Sletten	Bagley
Mr. Carl E. Stults	Eveleth

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. August Neubauer	Gilbert

_____ President

_____ Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, March 9, 1964
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, Carl J. Holst, E. M. Hunt, Robert V. Schwietz Dr. Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. E. J. Koempel, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Norman Owens, Mrs. A. M. Kessenich, Mrs. T. H. Witte, Kenneth W. Fisher, Dwight Stone, Mrs. Roy Harjula, Mrs. Clifford Aaze, Mrs. Wm. A. Klein; Albert Nelson, representing the Minnesota Rose Society; Mrs. D. W. Dagoberg, a guest from Richfield; Mrs. Walter Nelson, a guest from Roseau; Mrs. Harriett I. Swadberg and Ruth Tracy, Clerk.

The chairman entertained a motion that the minutes of the November 18, Executive Board meeting, presented in the printed form and mailed to each board member, be approved.

Mr. Stone moved that the minutes be approved with a correction substituting the word "election" for "appointment" in the motion regarding Mr. Hull's presidency of the Men's Garden Club of America.

Mr. Schwietz reported on the Society's sponsored tour to the Chicago World Flower and Garden Show. He stated that 309 persons made the trip and everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves and many had mentioned that they would have liked to have spent more time at the show.

Mr. Stone moved that Mr. Schwietz and his wife and daughter be given a vote of thanks for the very efficient way in which they had handled the arrangements so that everything progressed according to schedule.

Mr. Hunt in reporting on the finances of the Society stated that at the present time it looks very promising that we may receive the receipts necessary to meet the budget outlined for the year. Indications are that the loss of members due to the increased fee will not be as large as anticipated. He also stated that we need only $100 additional sales to meet the cost of publishing the Flower Show booklet.

Dr. Snyder reported that at the end of 1963 we had 615 individual arboretum members and had received gifts from over 200 organizations. The slogan "1000 or more in '64" has been adopted. He further stated that we have been very successful in obtaining the money for the additional land. He reported that 15 of the plant collections are now being sponsored. New projects being planned are: growing plants that will attract and provide food for song birds; and a collection of ground covers and clipped hedges.

Mr. Sindt reported that the certification committee had recently held a meeting regarding the judges training and certification project. Announcement of the continuation of this project will be made as soon as revisions, now in the planning stage, are completed.

Mr. Schwietz reported on committee discussions that have been held concerning joint sponsorship by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, the Federation of Garden Clubs and the University Short Course Office of a "Gardeners Day", possibly in September. Two very special speakers would be obtained one for the afternoon and one for the eveing. Several separate discussion groups, each covering a special

gardening topic, would be formed so that each person attending could take part in the discussion of the subject in which he is most interested.

Mrs. Koempel moved that the Society cooperate with the Federation in sponsoring the University Short Course "Gardeners Day". Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Schwietz also reported that it may be possible to arrange for a special day, possibly in late July, on which members of the Society may visit the Northrup King variety trial gardens near Minneapolis and the arboretum.

Members present gave brief reports of the progress being made in their respective organizations and mentioned dates of plant sales, auctions, flower shows, conventions, tours and other special events planned for the spring and summer.

Mr. Sindt asked approval of committee appointments as follows:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE consisting of the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer as regular members with Dr. L.C. Snyder, chief of the department of horticulture, and Robert V. Schwietz, past president, as the two alternates.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: Leon C. Snyder and Mrs. Edward J. Koempel.

FRUIT BREEDING FARM VISITORS COMMITTEE: Charles Huntting, Chairman, Hopkins; Carrol Johnson, Becker; Robert Dumas, Long Lake; Arthur Jacobson, White Bear Lake; William Lundquist, Stillwater.

ARBORETUM TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Edmund Phelps, Wayzata; Vincent Bailey, Newport; Felix Dhainen, Minneapolis.

ARBORETUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: John E. P. Morgan, Chairman; G. Victor Lowrie, Vice Chairman; Mrs. John S. Pillsbury; Mrs. Stanley Hawks; Mrs. Worrell Clarkson, Jr.; Mrs. John G. Ordway; Joseph M. Witmer; Stanley Wenberg; Leon C. Snyder; William F. Hueg; Milton F. Kernkamp; W. G. Sindt; E. M. Hunt.

Mr. Stone moved that the committee appointments be approved as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

President Sindt also announced the appointment of the following committees:

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Mrs. Edward J. Koempel, St. Paul, Chairman; the other members being the presidents of each of the ten District Societies.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Carl J. Holst, chairman; Joseph Witmer; Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke; Leon C. Snyder; Mrs. John E. P. Morgan.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE: C. G. Hard, Chairman; G. Victor Lowrie; Joseph Witmer; Bruce Johnstone; E. M. Hunt.

FRUIT LIST COMMITTEE: E. T. Andersen, Chairman: (Mr. Andersen to select his members in the customary way).

Mr. Sindt discussed briefly the nature of the Garden Forums that have been held in previous years, and stated that no requests had as yet been received for Forum meetings for this year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 3, 1964
Shelter, Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
Excelsior, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, Carl J. Holst, E. M. Hunt, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. E. J. Koempel, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Dr. Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Donald H. Lansing, Mrs. Norman Owens, John Fritzen, Mrs. A. M. Kessenich, Dwight Stone, Ronald Hanson, Mrs. William A. Klein; Mrs. John E. P. Morgan, member of the Budget Committee; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy, of the Society Office; and the following guests: Mrs. Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. John Fritzen, Mr. E. J. Koempel, Maynard Speece.

The chairman entertained a motion that the minutes of the March 9, Executive Board Meeting be approved as presented in the printed form which had been previously mailed to each board member, providing there were no corrections or additions. As no corrections or additions were presented, the minutes were approved as printed.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964.

Mr. Holst moved that the financial report be accepted and filed for audit. Mrs. Flagstad seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Stone, a member of the Budget Committee, presented a proposed budget for the fiscal year 1964-65 in which receipts of $22,570 and expenditures of $22,231 were anticipated.

Mrs. Koempel moved that the proposed budget be approved. Mrs. Geving seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Stone reported that the Society is required to present to the State Department of Administration a budget including the Society's request for State Funds for the coming biennium 1964-1966. He stated that prior to the last legislative session the Society had received annually state appropriated funds in the amount of $7500. At the last session these state appropriated funds had been decreased from $7500 to $5000. He further stated that the budget committee recommends that the board authorize Mr. Hunt to request $7500 in the biennial budget in order to restore the amount which had been cut from the Society's state appropriated funds.

Mrs. Klosowsky moved that the recommendation of the budget committee to request $7500 in the biennial budget be approved. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Motion carried.

Mr. Schwietz, chairman of the Nominating Committee, named the nominees whose names would appear on the official ballot to be printed in the September-October issue of the "Minnesota Horticulturist". He mentioned that a brief paragraph of the qualifications of each nominee would also be printed in the same issue of the magazine.

Dr. Snyder reported a very successful year for the Landscape Arboretum, financially as shown in the fiscal report; and also in the development of the research projects. He stated that Mr. Lundie has completed the architectural plans for the pump house and expects to start preliminary plans on the administration building.

Dr.Snyder stated that he hoped members of the Horticultural Society would contact their senators and representatives asking them to support the University budget request.

The members present reported on activities in their own groups, listing dates of special meetings and flower shows, as well as reporting on the progress of special local, county and state projects.

Mrs. Morgan reported that Mr. Morgan, following his recent serious illness, was feeling much better and gaining strength. Mr. Sindt asked her to convey greetings and good wishes to Mr. Morgan from all members of the board.

Mr. Sindt asked the members to keep in mind that 1966 would be the Centennial Year for the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and that members should begin thinking of suggestion and planning projects to celebrate the Society's 100th year.

Mr. Hunt explained that "the billboard" question was still an important issue and that the "Minnesota Roadside Council" would like to have the backing of the Horticultural Society and permit the society's name to be listed on their letterhead.

Mr. Stone moved that the board authorize the society's name to appear on the letterhead of the "Minnesota Roadside Council". Seconded by Mr. Holst. Motion carried.

Mrs. Morgan explained how important it was that our garden clubs and other persons interested in the control of billboards along our highways contact their legislators now and not wait until the bills are presented.

Mr. Sindt reminded the board members that election balloting closes November 10, and asked that each one urge his club members to vote.

Mr. Sindt announced that the next executive board meeting would be held on Nov. 16.

Mr. Stone moved that the board approve Saturday, September 19, as Fruit Farm Visitors Day. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt announced that a special "Garden Club Day" would be held on the St. Paul Campus of the University on September 24, 1964. This is a full day of gardening education and entertainment -- sponsored by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, the Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota, and the University of Minnesota departments of Horticultural Science and Agricultural Short Cpurses. The program is listed in the August issue of the Minnesota Horticulturist.

Mr. Speece stated that this was the Fortieth Anniversary of Radio Station WCCO, and he invited the Horticultural Society members to come to their booth at the State Fair.

The possibility of again sponsoring a tour to the Chicago World's Flower Show was discussed. President Sindt will appoint a committee to study the matter and report at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

President

Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 16, 1964
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Sindt.

Present were: Wilbert G. Sindt, Carl J. Holst, E. M. Hunt, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. E. J. Koempel, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Dr. Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. Wilbert Volkman, Mrs. Leonard Schmidt, Mrs. Norman Owens, Mrs. Oscar Torrin, Alden G. Cosad, Mrs. A. M. Kessenick, Dwight Stone, Ronald W. Hanson, Mrs. Roy Harjula, Mrs. Clifford V. Aaze, Mrs. William Klein, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard; J. D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Lloyd A. Bachman, representative to the University of Minnesota Agriculture Advisory Committee; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy of the Society Office; and the following guests: Mr. Leonard Schmidt and Mr. Charles R. Proctor.

Mrs. Geving moved that the minutes of the August 3, 1964, Executive Board Meeting, as printed and mailed to each board member, be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hedegard. Carried.

Mr. Sindt commented briefly on his term in office as president and thanked all those who had helped make the past two years successful ones for the Society. He said that he had attended at least one meeting in each of the districts and had greatly enjoyed these contacts throughout the state.

Mr. Hunt stated that an audit of the Society's fiscal records for the year 1963-64 had been made by a state auditor. He read the report submitted by the Society's Auditing Committee and signed by Dr. Snyder and Mrs. Koempel.

Mr. Stone moved to accept the Auditing Committee's report. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Biennial Budget had been prepared and presented to the State Department of Administration requesting legislative funds in the amount of $7,500 for each year of the biennium.

Mr. Hunt reported on the status of the society and its main activities for the past year. He mentioned that in addition to the Society's regular projects, the Society had sponsored the tour to the Worlds Flower Show in Chicago, had cooperated with the Department of Horticulture and the Federated Garden Clubs in sponsoring a special "Garden Club Day at the University", had cooperated with United Minnesota Horticulture in preparing and presenting facts in support of proposed facilities for the Department of Horticultural Science of the University.

Dr. Snyder, chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1965, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation the following were duly elected: President, Carl J. Holst; Vice-President, Bruce Johnstone; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. I.R. Geving; Board Member for one-year term, Mrs. Edward Koempel.

Mr. Cosad moved to confirm the election report. Seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

Mrs. Koempel, chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that nominations for forty candidates had been received: that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of November 16, after careful consideration of all nominations had agreed on recommending 24 candidates for awards. Seventeen candidates were recommended for Award of Merit, five for Distinguished Service Awards, and two for Honorary Life Memberships.

Mrs. Koempel named the candidates for each award and moved that the awards be approved. Motion seconded by Mr. Cosad. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of these official minutes.

The secretary read a report submitted by Carroll Johnson, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mr. Hunt moved that this report be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Flagstad. Motion carried.

Dr. Snyder reported that twenty additional acres had been added to the Landscape Arboretum, a special gift of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Pillsbury, Sr. He reported that twenty-three collections were now receiving direct support from individuals or groups; that an area had been set aside for the planting of trees and shrubs to attract birds; and that another area had been set aside for a collection of ornamental grasses.

Lloyd Bachman, the Society's representative on the University of Minnesota Agriculture Advisory Committee, referred briefly to the work of this committee and also discussed the work of the United Minnesota Horticulture organization in supporting the University's legislative request for funds for the University Department of Horticultural Science. Mr. Bachman called attention to the leaflet, recently published by United Minnesota Horticulture, describing the urgent needs of the department including the need of a new building to house classrooms, offices and laboratories.

Mr. Schwietz reported that a 1965 tour to the Chicago Flower Show would cost approximately the same as last year. He said that if desired, changes could be made in the time schedule and tours while in Chicago. A brief discussion followed. Mrs. Koempel moved that the Board approve sponsorship of a tour to the 1965 Chicago Flower Show and authorize the committee to develop necessary arrangements. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klein. Carried.

Brief reports were given by the presidents or representatives of each of the districts and affiliated groups. These reports included dates of special events and projects planned by the groups.

Mr. Hunt read a number of resolutions, having to do with the business of the society, that should be considered. They are as follows:

"RESOLVED: that, until written notice to the contrary is given by this corporation to the Safe Deposit Department of the St. Anthony Park State Bank standing in the name of this corporation in the vaults of above named bank shall be had by the following; the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer, and any one of whom shall have full authority to enter said safes and to make deposits therein or remove any part or all of the contents thereof, to rent safes and to execute leases thereof in the name of this corporation, to amend or cancel said leases, to exchange or surrender the safes, and in all other respects to represent this corporation."

"RESOLVED: that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a checking account for this institution and to deposit and withdraw its funds from time to time from such account, or accounts with the St. Anthony Park State Bank, St. Paul, and that said bank

is hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until it has been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual: the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer."

"RESOLVED: that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings share account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with Twin City Federal Savings and Loan Association, Minneapolis and that said associations are hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until they have been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer."

"RESOLVED: that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings share account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with Minnesota Federal Savings and Loan Association, Minneapolis and that said associations are hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until they have been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer."

"RESOLVED: that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings share account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with ~~Minneapolis~~ Midwest Federal Savings and Loan Association, Minneapolis and that said associations are hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until they have been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer."

"RESOLVED: that the hereinafter designated officers are hereby authorized to open a savings share account for this institution and to invest its funds from time to time with First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Minneapolis and that said associations are hereby authorized to act without further inquiry in accordance with writings bearing the signatures of two such officers, unless and until they have been notified of any change of officers and of further authorization for other individuals to so sign, together with a specimen of the signatures of each such individual; the duly elected and installed president, and the duly elected and installed secretary-treasurer."

"RESOLVED: that the President, and the Secretary-Treasurer of this Corporation, be and they hereby are fully authorized and empowered to transfer, endorse, sell, assign, set over, and deliver any and all shares of stock, bonds, debentures, notes, evidences of indebtedness, or other securities now or hereafter standing in the name of or owned by this Corporation, and to make, execute, and deliver, under the corporate seal of this Corporation, any and all written instruments necessary or proper to effecuate the authority hereby conferred."

Mr. Hunt moved that all of these resolutions be passed. Seconded by Mrs. Flagstad. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Johnson Reprint Corporation of New York City had requested permission to reprint back issues of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" in return for which they would pay the Society a royalty of 15% of the net sales. After a brief discussion by the board, Mrs. Koempel moved that the request from the Johnson Reprint Corporation of New York City be referred to a committee. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Cosad moved that the president be authorized to name a delegate or appoint a committee to confer with delegates or committees of other organizations as may seem advisable on State Fair Horticultural matters. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved to reaffirm the resolution on billboards as approved by this board in its meeting of November 18, 1963. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mr. Hunt announced that a series of four "Landscape Study" Courses is being offered on the St. Paul Campus, University of Minnesota, the first course to be held on April 6 and 7; registration fee $10.00; anyone interested may contact Mrs. Walter McKinnon, White Bear Lake.

Mr. Sindt announced that the tentative dates of March 8, August 2, and November 15 had been set for the 1965 board meetings.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Klosowsky a unanimous vote of thanks was given Mr. Sindt for the wonderful work he had done as president during the past two years.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

President

Executive Secretary

List of award recipients for 1964

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. A. M. Kessenich	Hopkins
Mrs. Frank Kilgore	Austin
Mrs. Alonzo Stiles	Lake Crystal
Mrs. William Lohman	Windom
Mrs. Clarence Trueblood	Brainerd
Mrs. Tom Hall	Brainerd
Mrs. J. F. Lavacot	St. Paul
Mrs. Lloyd F. Hellebo	West St. Paul
Reverend E. L. Rieff	Moose Lake
Mrs. Ralph Ash	Hibbing
Mrs. Charles Becklund	Duluth
Richard V. Dumas	Duluth
Mrs. Charles Rector	Ada
Mrs. Walter Nelson	Roseau
Mrs. Marie Cernousek	Thief River Falls
Robert Kloubec	Thief River Falls
Mrs. Harvey Polchow	Mankato

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Dr. Nelson W. Barker	Rochester
Gordon C. P. Yates	LaCrescent
Mrs. H. D. VanBuskirk	St. Paul
Harold Thomforde	Crookston
G. Victor Lowrie	Minneapolis

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Ben Storey	St. Paul
Joseph M. Witmer	Hopkins

Executive Board Meeting, March 22, 1965
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Bruce Johnstone, E. M. Hunt, Wilbert G. Sindt, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Edward Koempel, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. Norman Owens, Mrs. Luther Montgomery, N. E. Ingram, Walter T. Gusek, Earl Maffett, Charles Proctor, Mrs. Marvin Manke; Mrs. K. W. Fisher, member of the Judges Committee; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy of the Society Office; and Miss Alice Montgomery, a guest from Blackduck.

Mrs. Flagstad moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 16, 1964, Executive Board Meeting, and to approve the minutes as printed and mailed to each member. Seconded by Dr. Snyder. Motion carried.

Mr. Holst brought to the attention of the board that there are certain committee appointments that must be made by the Executive Board. He then asked that the appointment of the Executive Committee be confirmed as follows: the president, vice president, secretary-treasurer as regular members with L.C. Snyder and W. G. Sindt as the two alternates. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the appointments.

Mr. Holst also asked that L. C. Snyder and Bruce Johnstone be appointed as auditors. Mr. Maffett moved to approve the appointment of L. C. Snyder and Bruce Johnstone as auditors. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mrs. Owens moved to approve appointment of the following to serve as members of the Fruit Farm Visitors Committee: Robert Dumas, Long Lake, Chairman; William Lundquist, Stillwater; Gren Harms, Red Wing; Arthur Jacobson, Stillwater; Carroll Johnson, Becker. Motion seconded by Mr. Maffett. Carried.

Mr. Holst announced the appointment of Mr. Charles Proctor as chairman of a new committee to initiate a "Garden Visiting Project". He suggested that there probably were many gardens in the Twin City area as well as in most other parts of the state that visitors would like to see. He stated that it might be possible to determine where many of these gardens are and obtain permission for gardeners or garden groups to visit them. Considerable favorable discussion followed indicating that assistance would be given to Mr. Proctor and his committee in the project.

Mr. Hunt reported that approximately 100 persons had taken the special "Flower and Garden Show" tour to Chicago. Mrs. Owens stated that she thought the show was most interesting and better than last year. She mentioned in particular the huge ferris wheel which was covered with roses.

Mr. Hunt reported that two Forums had been planned for this year: one, sponsored by the First District, would be held on April 10, at Owatonna; the other, sponsored by the Second District, would be held on June 16, at Sherburn.

Mr. Hunt reported that on March 22, 1964 we had registered 8867 members, while on that same date this year we have registered only 8461. This would indicate that we might have a loss of approximately 400. This drop in members is mostly in the Twin City area.

Mr. Hunt reported that for a number of years the Society had on record a resolution regarding bill board control and highway beautification. The resolution was reaffirmed again this year. After attending several of the legislative hearings, it appears

probable that the legislature will pass one of the bills presented this year; however it is still up to individuals and groups to exert some pressure upon their local legislators.

Mr. Hunt also stated that if society members and groups would contact their legislators it might help to restore the society's appropriation to the amount received prior to the last biennium.

Dr. Snyder reported that the trellises for the Clematis collection at the Arboretum was completed last fall; and that the pump house, designed by Mr. Lundie and paid for by an anonymous donor, was nearly finished and would be completed in early spring; and that Mr. Lundie was now working on plans for the Arboretum Administration building. Dr. Snyder also reported that the 1964 arboretum membership was slightly higher than the previous year -- 605 in 1963, and 636 in 1964.

Mr. Holst stated that a special committee had met on the afternoon preceding the board meeting to discuss various matters concerning judges' training and registration. He asked Mr. Hunt to briefly report the discussion and suggestions of that committee.

Mr. Hunt mentioned the society's projects beginning in 1956 with the object of providing training for exhibitors and prospective judges, and the system which was set up for certifying both arrangement and specimen judges. He reported that the terms of certification of most of the judges had expired or would expire in the near future.

He reported that the committee had discussed possible procedures for re-certifying present certified judges and examining the qualifications of prospective judges for certification; means of obtaining instruction including the excellent system of schools employed by the Federation of Garden Clubs, classes or short courses which could be set up upon request to the University Extension Service and the possibility of initiating a new Society project consisting of a series of judges schools.

Consensus of the committee was that the greatest immediate need is for a "registration" of judges throughout the state. It was recommended that a committee be appointed to work with the district and club organizations to examine the qualifications of as many as possible of the persons presently doing judging throughout the state - with the purpose of publishing a list of "registered" judges from among those who appear to be sufficiently qualified.

It was suggested that if the registration work could be accomplished there would then be a possibility of encouraging the registered judges to obtain further training through the schools or courses that already are available or could be developed if needed.

Discussion by board members of the committees recommendation dealt with possible means of contacting judges, method and cost of offering examinations, and the necessity of cooperation from district societies and clubs if such a project were to be successful.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the president appoint a committee to develop procedures and put into effect a "judges registration project". Motion seconded by Mrs. Montgomery. Carried.

Discussion was heard concerning the status of the Society's Certified Judges and means of making renewal of certification possible.

Mr. Maffett moved that the president appoint a suitable committee to develop a procedure for re-certifying those judges previously certified whose qualifications meet the required standards.

Members present gave brief reports regarding their respective organizations mentioning dates of annual meetings, conventions, flower shows, plant sales, and other special events planned for the spring and summer.

Dr. Snyder stated that there would be a plant sale at the Arboretum on two successive Saturdays, May 15 and May 22, and that a free plant would be given to each Arboretum member upon presentation of his or her Arboretum membership card.

Some discussion and suggestions were made regarding plans for celebrating the Minnesota State Horticultural Society's one hundredth year in 1966.

Mr. Maffett moved that a state wide convention be held to celebrate the Society's Centennial Year. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Motion carried.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the president appoint a suitable committee to work out the details of the 1966 convention including date and location. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mr. Holst announced that the date for the next board meeting had been set for August 2, 1965.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

President

Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, August 2, 1965
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Bruce Johnstone, E. M. Hunt, Wilbert G. Sindt, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. E. J. Koempel, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. Donald H. Lansing, Mrs. Norman Owens, Mrs. Wm A. Klein, Mrs. Roy Harjula, Mrs. Marvin Manke, Mrs. K. W. Fisher, Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy.

Mrs. Geving moved that the minutes of the March 22 Executive Board Meeting as printed and mailed to each board member be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. Handegaard. Mr. Hunt stated that there was an error in the printed minutes -- the Second District Forum was held on June 16 at Sherburn instead of Fairmont -- and that this error will be corrected. The motion with the correction substituting the word "Sherburn" for "Fairmont" was accepted.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965. Mrs. Handegaard moved that the financial report be accepted and filed for audit. Motion seconded by Mrs. Flagstad. Carried.

Mr. Johnstone, chairman of the Budget Committee, reported that his committee had met on July 12 and had prepared a budget for the year 1965-66 for the consideration of the executive board. He explained in some detail items in the budget including the fact that expected income from State appropriations is reduced to $4,000. He recommended that the board approve the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 1965-66 in which receipts of $27,442 and expenditures of $27,442 are anticipated.

Dr. Snyder moved the adoption of the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 1965-66. Seconded by Mrs. Koempel. Motion carried.

Mr. Sindt, chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that his committee after careful consideration of numerous candidates had arrived at a unanimous agreement on a slate of nominees. He reported the nominees as follows:
For President, Carl J. Holst; For Vice President, Bruce Johnstone; For Executive Board Member, Mr. K. W. Fisher, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. Edward Koempel, Mrs. John E. P. Morgan, Mr. Dwight Stone. Mr. Sindt moved that the names suggested be approved as candidates for election and that the report be accepted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Handegaard. Carried.

Mrs. Fisher, chairman of the "Shows Judging Committee", reported on the results of a questionnaire which had been mailed to the presidents of all affiliated garden clubs regarding persons who are judging or are potential judges. She reported that the committee planned to correspond with these persons and to prepare lists of judges available in the various areas of the state.

Dr. Snyder moved that the board give Mrs. Fisher and her committee a vote of confidence on this project and any procedures it may devise to improve the training opportunities and availability of show judges. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hunt referred to the tour to the Chicago Flower Show that had been sponsored by the Society the past two years, and stated that the Milwaukee Road was interested in having the Society sponsor a tour to Milwaukee in March. Discussion followed regarding the desirability of Society sponsorship of a tour during the winter of 1966.

Mrs. Koempel moved that the board appoint Mr. Schwietz as chairman of a committee to investigate the possibility of a tour and authorize the committee to use its best judgment in making preliminary arrangements; Mr. Schwietz to report the committee's actions to the board at the November meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that a questionnaire-letter regarding the 1966 convention celebrating the Society's one hundredth year had been mailed to thirty-six members in different parts of the state in order to get a sampling of opinions regarding the most desirable time, place, and type of convention. Considerable discussion followed regarding plans for the convention. Mrs. Klein extended an invitation to hold the convention in Duluth.

Mrs. Handegaard moved that the board reaffirm the board action of March 22 directing the president to appoint a suitable committee to work out the details of the 1966 convention including date, location, and type of meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Brief reports were given by the presidents or representatives of each of the districts and affiliated groups. These reports included dates of special events and projects planned by the groups.

Mr. Hunt stated that the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Day had been set for Saturday, September 18.

Mr. Sindt reminded the board members that election ballots would be printed in the September-October issue of the "Minnesota Horticulturist", and asked that each one urge his club members to vote.

Mr. Holst announced that the date for the next board meeting had been set for Monday, November 15.

Dr. Snyder reported that the Legislature did not grant University appropriations for a new horticulture building; however the University did receive special appropriations for needed improvements at the Fruit Breeding Farm and for extension of the road system at the arboretum.

Dr. Snyder reported that the Arboretum has a portable exhibit which could be set up for educational purposes if any club would like to request such an exhibit for a special occasion.

At 9:25 p.m., Mr. Sindt moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion seconded. Carried.

_____ President

_____ Executive Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 15, 1965
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Dr. L.C. Snyder, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. I.R. Geving, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G.C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. E.J. Koempel, Mrs. Lloyd Fox, Mrs. Leonard Schmidt, Mrs. Donald H. Lansing, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. O.N. Hildahl, Mrs. F. F. Biebighauser, Walter T. Gusek, Charles Proctor, Mrs. Marvin Manke, Mrs. Wm.A. Klein; Mrs. John Heins, Vice President of the Tenth District; J.D. Winter, representing the Minnesota Fruit Growers; Robert V. Schwietz and Mrs. Norman Owens, members of the Awards Committee; Mrs. Owen Francis, a guest from the Second District; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy from the Society Office.

Mr. Schwietz moved that the reading of the minutes of the August 3, Executive Board meeting be dispensed with, and if there were no corrections or additions that they stand approved as presented in the printed form which had been previously mailed to each board member. As no corrections or additions were presented, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mr. Holst thanked the members for their cooperation during the past year. He said it had been a real privilege to attend and take part in many district and local meetings and that he was much impressed with the enthusiasm with which gardening work is being carried on.

The secretary reported briefly on some of the Society's activities during the past year. He stated that much credit should be given the members of the publications committee for their help in planning the contents of the magazine and securing articles for publishing. He mentioned the successful Forum meetings which were held in the Second and Fourth Districts and the Billboard Project on which many members had spent considerable time and effort. He reported that in addition to carrying on its own work the Society cooperates with many other organizations. He mentioned particularly the assistance given in the St. Paul Garden of the Week Contest and the Society's representative on ~~the~~ the University Agricultural Advisory Committee. Mr. Hunt stated that the Society has 350 members and 24 clubs fewer than in 1964. He emphasized that the vigor of our Society depends on members and suggested that the addition of two new members to each affiliate group be made a goal for the coming year. He gratefully acknowledged recent gifts to the Society from the following member groups:

Tenth District Horticultural Society
Sixth District Horticultural Society
Eleventh District Horticultural Society
Fisher Town and Country Garden Club
Perley Plantettes Garden Club
Crookston Garden Club

Mr. Holst thanked Mr. Schwietz for the bouquets of Chrysanthemums, which he had brought to decorate the tables at the board meeting.

Mr. Schwietz reported that the dates of March 4, 5, 6 had been set for the Society sponsored tour to the Milwaukee Flower Show; the cost will be approximately $35 each; an application form will be printed in the February issue of the magazine for the convenience of those wishing to go on the tour.

Mr. Hunt reported that Mr. Haedecke, chairman of the Centennial Committee. had held a preliminary "idea" discussion meeting and is working on plans for observing the centennial throughout the year in all parts of the state. The convention probably will be held in the Twin Cities, over a two-day period. The society hopes to secure permission to reprint a brief history of the society in a little booklet for wide distribution.

Mr. Schwietz, chairman of the awards committee, reported that nominations for 38 candidates had been received; that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of November 15, after careful consideration of all nominations had agreed on recommending 27 candidates for awards. Eighteen candidates were recommended for Award of Merit, five for Distinguished Service award, three for Honorary Life Membership, and one for the Bronze Medal. Mr. Schwietz named the candidates which were recommended for each award.

Dr. Snyder moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Koempel. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of the official minutes.

The secretary read a report submitted by Robert Dumas, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mr. Hunt moved that this report be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Winter. Motion.

Dr. Snyder, chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1966, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation the following were duly elected: President, Carl J. Holst; Vice President, Bruce Johnstone; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. W.L. Hedegard, and Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky. Dr. Snyder moved the Tellers Report be accepted and placed on file. Seconded by Mr. Sindt. Motion carried.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that Mr. Hunt be appointed secretary-treasurer for a two-year term beginning January 1, 1966. Seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Motion carried.

Dr. Snyder reported on the development of the Arboretum during the year, the increase in membership, and increase in the number of visitors. He commented on the new road and other changes planned for the coming year.

Mrs. Handegaard moved to accept the Arboretum report. Seconded by Mr. Proctor. Carried.

Members present gave brief reports of projects in their respective organizations and districts and mentioned dates of other special events planned for the near future.

Mrs. Handegaard moved that the date for the next board meeting be set for March 7, the evening following the tour to Milwaukee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

It was agreed that setting the date of the fall board meeting should be deferred until plans for the Centennial Convention have been completed.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the summer meeting be held on August 1, at the Landscape Arboretum. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Dr. Snyder offered to make the portable arboretum display available to any of the District meetings -- organizations requesting the display should contact him well in advance of the meeting date.

Mr. Holst and Mr. Schwietz cordially invited everyone to attend the annual Chrysanthemum Show in Minneapolis, dates November 7 thru November 21; and the annual Chrysanthemum Show in St. Paul at the Como Park Conservatory, dates November 6 thru November 28.

Mr. Proctor announced that the Minneapolis Men's Garden Club would be hosts to the Men's Garden Club of America in 1967.

Mr. Hunt read a notice from Earl Maffett, which stated that the Minnesota Gladiolus Society would sponsor the Central International Gladiolus Show on August 7 and 8, 1966. This includes the states of Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and North Dakota.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the Executive Board recommend to Mr. Haedecke that Centennial seals (using the official Society seal) be made available for promotion of the 1966 centennial celebration. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

At 8:50 p.m., Mr. Sindt moved that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Proctor. Carried.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

List of award recipients for 1965

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

John E. P. Morgan	White Bear Lake
Richard E. Widmer	St. Paul
Stanley Folsom	Taylors Falls
David W. Goddard	Elk River
Mrs. W. R. Weyer	Minneapolis
Mrs. Olive Bank	Hayward
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kumlin	Austin
Rev. John W. Rossiter	Fairmont
Mrs. Arthur E. Harms	Isle
John C. Kneipp	Duluth
Walter E. Mielke	Coleraine
Mrs. Arthur Riser	Hibbing
Bruce C. Beresford	Crookston
Mrs. Oscar Guttormson	Georgetown
Mrs. E. R. Hall	Cass Lake
Mrs. Lester Hoganson	Bemidji
Mrs. Orlando Chervestad	Oklee
Mrs. Albert Lokken	Newfolden

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Spencer Smith	Wayzata
Earl H. Maffett	Minneapolis
Mrs. John R. Stoltze	Stillwater
Robert Pettit	Detroit Lakes
Frank L. Vleck	Lengby

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Wilbert G. Sindt	North St. Paul
D. T. Grussendorf	Duluth
Mrs. Joseph Sellwood	Duluth

BRONZE MEDAL

Mrs. John Larsen	Bloomington

Executive Board Meeting, March 7, 1966
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Bruce Johnstone, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Leon C. Snyder, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. G. C. VanSlyke,Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Rev. Eldren Minks, Mrs. Lloyd Fox, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. W. L. Schoene, Mrs. Charles R. Campbell, Earl Maffett, Robert Smith; Mrs. Wesley McGuire, representing the Twelfth District; W. James Warren, Advertising Representative; Charles Proctor, Past President of Minneapolis Men's Garden Club; Everett B. Haedecke, Convention General Chairman; John E. P. Morgan, Arboretum Development Committee Chairman; Neil W. Miles, representing Minnesota Fruit Growers; Mr. Charles R. Campbell, a guest from the Minnesota Rose Society; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy from the Society Office.

Dr. Snyder moved that the reading of the minutes of the November 15, executive board meeting be dispensed with, and if there were no corrections or additions that they stand approved as presented in the printed form which had been previously mailed to each board member. As no corrections or additions were presented the motion was seconded by Mr. Maffett. Carried.

Mr. Johnstone reported on the tour to the Midwest Garden Show in Milwaukee, stating that even though the number making the trip was smaller than expected, all who made the trip seemed to enjoy themselves and found the trip very worthwhile. He mentioned in particular the new unusual Bubble Conservatory, the very interesting tour of the Zoo, and stated that the Midwest Flower Show was one of the finest.

Dr. Snyder reported briefly on the campaign to beautify America, and mentioned that the University Extention would be having a series of meetings on the Preservation of Natural Beauty.

Mr. Warren mentioned some of the new advertisements he had secured for the Horticulturist. He also referred to the displeasure expressed by some of the advertisers to the many requests received every spring for free plant materials.

Mr. Morgan, chairman of the Arboretum Development Committee, reported that consideration was being given to the securing of an additional eighty acres of property adjoining the present arboretum; and if this property was purchased, Dr. Berens, the owner, would give an additional 17 acres in memory of his son, Mr. Morgan mentioned some of the reasons why it was desirable to acquire this property at this time.

Dr. Snyder explained that a brochure was being prepared, which would show the original Arboretum land purchased and each of the additional land acquisitions including the proposed Berens property.

Mr. Haedecke reported that the Centennial Convention would be held on August 25 and 26 at the Hotel Nicollet in Minneapolis, with a banquet on the evening of the second day. He named chairmen of some of the committees, and stated that the formal program would be short so that there would be time for special tours by bus to places of interest in and near the Twin Cities, including the Arboretum. He referred to plans for special exhibits by Garden Clubs, Districts, and Commercial firms, and stated that many of the plans were in the tentative stage and as soon as completed the complete program and anticipated costs would be printed in one of the spring issues of the Horticulturist.

Mr. Hunt stated our objective was to celebrate the entire year and the place to start was in our local communities in every part of the state in order to make all people in Minnesota aware of the aims of the Society and how the activities of the Society had influenced the century of progress and development of horticulture in Minnesota.

Members present gave brief reports regarding their respective organizations mentioning many special events planned for the spring and summer. In many of these reports reference was made how a specific organization was using the Centennial theme in its programs, shows and other club activities.

Mr. Maffett moved to hold the next board meeting on August 1. Motion seconded by Mrs. Van Slyke. Carried.

Mr. Maffett moved that the date of November 14 be set for the fall board meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Schoene. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that the number of memberships had declined the past two years and that we were not securing new members as we should. This decrease in members and the cut in legislative support very likely will cause the Society to have a deficit this year.

After some discussion regarding the advisability of the Society again having a headquarters booth at the State Fair, Dr. Snyder moved that no arrangements for a Society headquarters booth in 1966 be made. Seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

At 9:45 p.m., Mr. Maffet moved that the meeting adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, August 1, 1966
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Bruce Johnstone, E. M. Hunt, Wilbert G. Sindt, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. VanSlyke, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Rev. Eldren Minks, Mrs. John Steen, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. L. W. Wolking, Maxwell Sargent, Mrs. Wm. L. Schoene, Mrs. R. C. Burton, Mrs. Charles R. Campbell, Mrs. Erick Johnson, Robert E. Smith, Charles King; the following represented special convention committees: Lloyd A. Bachman, W. James Warren, Vincent K. Bailey, Robert V. Schwietz, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Dwight Stone, Charles Campbell, Vernon Theyson, John Danielson, Mrs. Carol Givens; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy for the Society Office.

Approval was given by the group of President Holst's suggestion that reading of the minutes of the March 7, meeting be dispensed with.

Mr. Holst stated that if there were no corrections or additions to the minutes as presented in printed form and previously mailed to each board member they would stand approved.

Dr. Snyder, chairman of the convention program committee reported on the plans that had been made. He said that excellent speakers had been secured and that the meeting sessions had been kept brief to allow time for the tours and viewing of exhibits.

Mr. Schwietz reported that a letter had been mailed to each club and district regarding the "Showcase" and special district exhibits. He urged each club to make an effort to bring an exhibit in order to fill the large special room which had been reserved for the exhibits.

Mrs. Van Buskirk explained that the regular annual "Minnesota Garden Flower Society" flower show would be held in conjunction with the convention. In addition to the regular classes for the club's members, there would be a special section for horticulture specimens open to all state society members.

Mr. Theyson reported that the Publicity Committee had met and had made definite plans for bringing the Centennial Convention to the attention of everyone in Minnesota by a series of radio and television programs and notices in newspapers throughout the state. They planned to use the theme "Growing for a Hundred Years" in all their publicity.

Mr. Bachman reported that the members of the Finance Committee were attempting to raise enough money to cover the necessary miscellaneous expenses of the convention by selling advertising space in the Centennial Program Booklet.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the Society's financial report for the Fiscal Year ending, June 30, 1966. He pointed out that the expenses exceeded the income by $1,622.70 and that this deficit was due to the large cut in state appropriated funds for the Society during the last two Legislative Sessions. In reviewing the Arboretum financial report, Mr. Hunt pointed out that the large items of expense were payments on land and construction contracts, the income for these payments had been previously collected and placed in savings and that the gift to the University was for maintenance, a part of which would be used for labor during the summer of 1966.

Mrs. Campbell moved to accept the Society and the Arboretum's financial reports for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1966. Motion seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mr. Johnstone, chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the 1966-67 budget. He reported that the committee estimated an income of $26,355 and expenses of $29,855. This would result in a deficit of $3,500 for the year. In behalf of the budget committee Mr. Johnstone recommended that special committees on legislative and membership matters be appointed to study and work out some solution for the society's finances.

Mrs. Flagstad moved to accept the budget committee report. Seconded by Rev. Minks. Motion carried.

Mr. Sindt, chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that his committee had met and after careful consideration of numerous candidates had unanimously agreed on a slate of nominees. He reported the nominees as follows: Bruce Johnstone for president; Kenneth W. Fisher for vice-president; Charles King, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Mrs. H. D. VanBuskirk, Mrs. G. C. VanSlyke for executive board members. Mr. Sindt moved that the names suggested be approved as candidates for election and that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Each of the members present reported briefly on events, programs and activities in his organization or area. Several mentioned ways in which the centennial theme is being publicized.

Dr. Snyder reported on progress at the Landscape Arboretum. Mr. Mervin Eisel has been appointed by the University as an assistant extension horticulturist to work at the arboretum. He will prepare an exhibit for the Centennial Convention. Also, he has offered to stage arboretum materials at district society meetings if requested to do so a sufficient time in advance.

Mr. Schwietz asked for expression of opinions on the desirability of continuing Society-sponsored winter railroad tours to flower shows. Discussion mainly expressed the feeling that the tours of the last three years had been worthwhile, but that there is no great enthusiasm for a tour to either the Chicago or the Milwaukee show in 1967.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that no tour be sponsored by the Society in the winter of 1967, and that the desirability of sponsoring such tours on alternate years be examined at a future time. Seconded by Mr. Stone. Carried.

President Holst announced that the next meeting of the executive board is scheduled for November 14, 1966.

On motion by Mr. Stone, duly seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

_____ President

_____ Secretary

Executive Board Meeting, November 14, 1966
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Holst.

Present were: Carl J. Holst, Bruce Johnstone, Wilbert G. Sindt, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. Minnie Senne, Mrs. John Steen, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. L. W. Wolking, Mrs. Eugene Giese, Mrs. O. N. Hildahl, Maxwell Sargent, Gren F. Harms, Mrs. Wm. L. Schoene, Mrs. Charles R. Campbell, Charles King, Mrs. Ernest Koehler, representing the First District, Mrs. Wm. Grein, representing the Fourth District; Mrs. A. W. Van Sickler, representing the Garden Flower Society; Robert V. Schwietz, Chsirman of the Awards Committee; Mr. Charles R. Campbell and Mrs. W. S. Sweeney, guests from the Rose Society; Harriett Swadburg and Ruth Tracy from the Society Office.

Mr. Sindt moved that, unless there were corrections or additions to the minutes as presented in the printed form which had been previously mailed to each board member, the reading of the August 1 minutes be dispensed with. As no corrections or additions were presented, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Van Slyke. Carried.

Mr. Holst commented briefly on the work of the Society during the past year, stating that a very good Garden Forum had been held at Okebena in the Fourth District; that the other district meetings that he had attended were well attended and very informative. He stated that the Society membership had dropped, but a membership committee had been appointed to try to stimulate an increase in our membership and bring it up to where it should be. He also stated that a legislative committee had been appointed to help the secretary secure state appropriated funds in the amount received prior to the cut of the last four years.

Mr. Hunt reported on the status of the Society and its main activities for the past year. He commented in particular on the observance of the centennial year and the success of the convention. A net financial gain of $479.08 on centennial activities was reported. The operations deficit and membership decrease for the year was discussed. Though these are serious and must be corrected, he said the Society is still in a stong position and should be able to reverse the trend if proper action is taken.

Dr. Snyder presented in some detail the long time plans for the Arboretum, stating briefly the size and shape of the present acreage and the reasons for considering additional land in the new plans. He also explained the need for including in these plans an educational and research center and the need of raising a large fund to assure continued maintenance and operation. He stated that Mr. Lundie was already working on architectural plans for an Arboretum Center byilding.

Mrs. Campbell moved to accept Dr. Snyder's report and to give the Society's approval to the long time plan for the Arboretum. Seconded by Mrs. Hedegard. Carried.

Mrs. Flagstad moved that the secretary be directed to send a letter to both Mr. Morgan and Mrs. Lundie conveying appreciation for their work with the Arboretum Development Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Motion carried.

Mrs. Campbell moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to complete an option agreement for purchase of the Bunger property. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Mr. Schwietz, chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that the committee in its meeting on the afternoon of November 14, after careful consideration of all nominations

had agreed on recommending 20 candidates for awards. Eleven candidates were recommended for Award of Merit, five for Distinguished Service award, four for Honorary Life Membership. Mr. Schwietz named the candidates who were recommended for each award.

Mr. Sindt moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and the recommended awards be granted. Motion seconded and carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of the official minutes.

Mr. Schwietz requested that Mr. Hunt read a resolution which had been discussed at the Awards Committee meeting. Mr. Hunt read the following resolution:

INASMUCH as the granting of State Society special honorary awards is a matter to which much significance is attached, and carries with it great responsibility for making award selections on the basis of complete and factual information --

AND INASMUCH as there are many candidates whose qualifications and good work merit full and careful consideration --

AND INASMUCH as a state awards committee, in the short periods it is annually is session, can not initiate and follow through with sufficient investigations of the qualifications of the many candidates --

THEREFORE, in order to assure that more orderly and complete information is available to the state awards committee, by means of which it can make fair and impartial dicisions in the recommendations for awards --

IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED AND URGED that the executive board authorize and direct that the following procedures be put into effect.

1. All district societies shall appoint and keep in operation throughout the year a "District Awards Committee" consisting of from 3 to 5 members.

2. Nominations originating from within the district at any time shall be directed to the District Awards Committee.

3. The District Awards Committee shall meet as necessary to consider nominations received and shall forward only such nominations for consideration of state committee as in its judgement are neatly prepared, complete, and approved by the district committee.

4. The state committee in examining award nominations originating from a district society shall consider only those approved by the district society as described above.

5. Award nominations originating from ourside an organized district shall be examined by the State committee, which will apply the same standards of completeness and careful preparation as are required for nominations forwarded by district awards committees.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that the Awards Committee resolution be accepted and the procedure outlined in it be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Hedegard. Motion carried.

Mrs. Schoene moved that Society sponsorship of a tour to either Milwaukee or the Chicago Flower Show be authorized. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried. Mr. Schwietz was appointed chairman of a committee to investigate and make plans for such a tour if the committee determines that it is feasible and desirable.

Dr. Snyder, chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1967, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation, the following were duly elected:
President, Bruce Johnstone; Vice president, Kenneth W. Fisher; Board Members for three-year term, Mrs. Wesley McGuire and Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke. Dr. Snyder moved that the Tellers report be accepted and that the candidates named in the report be declared duly elected. Seconded by Mrs. Flagstad. Motion Carried.

The president or representative of each member-society reported briefly on special events, projects and activities of the year. Numerous references were made to Centennial programs and themes. Also many civic planting and beautification projects were reported.

President Holst announced that 1967 board meetings are scheduled for March 6, August 7 and November 20.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20.

President _____ Secretary _____

List of award recipients for 1966

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Joseph Holger	Rushford
Mrs. Lee Machacek, Sr.	Lyle
Mr. and Mrs. Genio Ashford	Lake Crystal
Mrs. William Place	Lakefield
Ernest Strubbe	Alberta
Mrs. Knute Boe	Climax
Mrs. Richard Radniecki	Trail
Mrs. O. M. Wammer	Badger
Mrs. C. E. Sandvig	Minneapolis
Arthur Olson	Minneapolis

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Floyd C. Higbie	Albert Lea
Mrs. P. E. Ward	Austin
John Fritzen	Duluth
Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky	Duluth
Mrs. Norman Flagstad	Roseau

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Miss Ruth Tracy	St. Paul
Miss Stella Halderson	Winona
Mrs. Inga Geving	Thief River Falls
James D. Winter	Minneapolis

Executive Board Meeting, March 6, 1967
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr.,Hunt who introduced the new president, Bruce Johnstone.

Present were: Bruce Johnstone, Kenneth W. Fisher, Carl J. Holst, E. M Hunt, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. Dennis Frederickson, Mrs. Clarence Lepinski, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Ronald Gustafson, Mrs.Robert Burton, Mrs. Charles Campbell, Mrs. Lewis Ink, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Helvig, Mrs. Raymond Newman, W. James Warren, Mrs. John Steen, Mrs. William Grein, Miss Ruth Tracy and Harriett Swadburg

Mrs. Geving moved that, unless there were corrections or additions to the minutes as presented in the printed form and mailed to each board member, the reading of the November 14 minutes be dispensed with. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

Mr. Hunt, in reporting on legislative activities, reminded the board members that the appropriation to the Society had been cut by the last two sessions and as a result, there was a deficit in the budget last year. He stressed the importance of each group contacting the legislators and urging that the appropriation be restored to $7500 per year.

Dr. Snyder reported on the need for a new Horticultural Science building. He urged that individuals and groups write letters to the legislators stressing the need for a new building, and suggested that Mr. Johnstone, as president, of the Horticultural Society, write each member of the Finance Committee in the Senate and Appropriations Committee in the House. Mr. Johnstone consented.

Mrs. Campbell stated that the new membership brochures are being circulated by several florists. She also reported tha Northrup King and Company, through Mr. Johnstone, had offered to donate seed packets of All American Varieties, to be used as an incentive to increase membership.

Mrs. Helvig presented a detailed report of the Shows and Judging Committee, a committee of six which has been studying judging problems in Minnesota. Mr. Holst stated that there is great need for judging schools. He moved (seconded by Mrs. Geving) that the committee be commended for its work and that the committee's report be published. Motion carried.

Mr. Warren, in reporting on advertising, suggested having an October issue of the HORTICULTURIST rather than a combined September-October issue. He felt that this would be a help in obtaining more advertising. Mrs. Van Slyke moved to authorize the Publications and Executive Committees to take any action in this matter that may be desirable. Seconded by Mrs. Geving. Carried.

Dr. Snyder reported that an option was taken on 55 acres for the Arboretum, known as the Bunger property, last December as a precaution to prevent commercial development on this property. He also stated that there are three additional acres which were retained by Mr. Williams when the original 160 acres were purchased. This is now for sale and we must take an option soon to hold it. There will be concerted effort made to increase Arboretum memberships to cover costs of maintenance.

Mr. Hunt, in reporting on Society Awards, read again the resolution which was adopted at the November Executive Board Meeting. There was discussion on the method to follow in inplementing the system.

Mr. Johnstone, newly installed president of the Society, presented the Honorary Life Membership Award to Ruth Tracy.

The president or representative of each member-group briefly reported on special events, projects and activities of the coming year. All reported that letters had been written to various legislators regarding the appropriation to the Society.

Mr.Fisher reported briefly on the Milwaukee Tour which included the Midwest Flower and Garden Show.

President Johnstone announced that Board Meetings are scheduled for August 14 and November 13.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, August 14, 1967
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Johnstone.

Present were: Bruce Johnstone, K. W. Fisher, E. M. Hunt, Carl Holst, Dr. L. C. Snyder, John E. P. Morgan, Vincent K. Bailey, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. Dennis Frederickson, Mrs. Elmer Stanke, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. Lewis Ink, Jr., Mrs. William Sweeney, representing the Rose Society, Mrs. Eugene Giese, Mrs. Minnie Senne, Mrs. Robert Burton, Gardner Miller, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Mrs. K. W. Fisher, Mrs. L. W. Wolking, Mrs. Thomas Helvig, Mrs. Raymond Newman, Dwight Stone, and Harriett Swadburg.

Mrs. Geving moved that, unless there were corrections or additions to the minutes as presented in written form and mailed to each board member, the reading of the March 6 minutes be dispensed with. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Burton. Carried.

Mr. Holst, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that after careful consideration, his committee had unanimously agreed on a slate of nominees. He reported the nominees as follows: Bruce Johnstone, president; Kenneth W. Fisher, vice-president; Mrs. Leonard Schmidt, Mrs. Ray Schwingler, John E. P. Morgan and Mervin Eisel for executive board members. Mrs. Flagstad moved that the names suggested be approved as candidates for election and that the report be accepted. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. Carried.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the Society's Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1967. He pointed out that the deficit was not as great as had been anticipated and called attention to several items in which expenditures were lower than the budgeted amounts. Mr. Holst moved to accept the Society and Arboretum financial reports subject to the auditor's report. Seconded by Mr. Stone. Motion carried. Mr. Fisher and Mrs. Miller were appointed as the Auditing Committee. A motion was made by Mrs. Van Slyke and seconded by Mrs. McGuire to accept the committee appointments. Carried.

Mr. Bailey, chairman of the Budget Committee, presented his committee's recommended budget for 1967-68. He reported that the committee felt there was a great need for increases in several items, including salaries, and that income to meet these increases would come from an increased State appropriation and administrative service charges for handling Arboretum business. Mr. Morgan pointed out that the Society staff has carried on much of the Arboretum record and office work and that the Arboretum could not maintain its own staff at a comparable cost. Mr. Bailey reported that the committee was recommending a balanced budget in which it had estimated receipts at $32,000 and expenditures at $32,000.

Mr. Holst moved to accept the Budget Committee report and adopt its recommended budget. Seconded by Mrs. Flagstad. Carried.

Mrs. Fisher, representing the Shows and Judging Committee, reported on the Judging School held at Stewartville for the First District Horticultural Society. It was held with little time for preparation, but the committee felt it had been successful and well-attended. The second course has been scheduled for October.

Following the reading of a letter from the Garden Flower Society to Mr. Johnstone by Mrs. Burton, there was considerable discussion about methods of re-certifying persons already judging. In answer to a question reaised by Mrs. Burton the point was made that action had not been taken by the board to approve (or disapprove) the procedures for certifying judges by the Shows and Judging Committee and published in the April 1967 issue of the HORTICULTURIST. President Johnstone urged further study of the matter of re-certifying judges in the hope that a procedure generally acceptable can be followed.

Mr. Morgan, chairman of the Arboretum Development Fund Committee, reported that the Arboretum has acquired 500 acres in 10 years and now there is a great need for a building for research and teaching which it is estimated will cost $1,200,000. A special brochure soliciting support for this project has been sent to many foundations and interested persons. The Legislature appropriated $50,000 which can be used to cover planning costs of the proposed building.

Dr. Snyder stated in his report that the Legislature appropriated funds for a new Horticulture Building in addition to funds for needed improvements at the Fruit Farm. There was discussion about having an Arboretum Day in early October at which time members and friends could tour the Arboretum and enjoy a picnic lunch.

Mrs. McGuire moved that such a day be planned and her motion was seconded by Mrs. Newman. Carried. Mrs. Wolking moved that the date of October 7, be given first consideration for Arboretum Day. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Johnstone appointed W. G. Sindt, Victor Lowrie, A. E. Hutchins, Mrs. Edward Koempel and Mrs. Robert Burton to serve on the Awards Committee and requested that all awards forms be sent to the Society office by October 1.

The president also appointed the following to serve on the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Day Committee: Chairman William Lundquist, T. L. Aamodt, Louis Fischer, Gil Courtier and Dave Bremer. Mr. Holst made a motion and Mr. Miller seconded it to approve appointment of the committee. Carried.

Mrs. Ink stated that the entire Northeastern area of Minnesota is affected by the proposed closing of the Experiment Station at Duluth. Mr. Holst moved that the president write a letter to the Chairman of the Board of Regents with copies to be sent to each Board member, to Dean Berg and to the new University president urging that the station remain open. Mrs. Ink seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Brief reports were given by the presidents or representatives of each of the districts and affiliated groups. These reports included dates of special events and projects planned by the groups.

Mr. Johnstone announced that the next meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled for Monday, November 20.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40.

President _____ Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, November 20, 1967
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Johnstone.

Board members present: Bruce Johnstone, E. M. Hunt, Carl J. Holst, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. I. R. Geving, Mrs. Norman Flagstad, Mrs. J. F. Lavacot, Mrs. Clarence Lepinski, Mrs. Como Pontliana, Mrs. John Heins, Mrs. John Steen, Mrs. Robert Burton, Gardner Miller, Earl Maffett, Mrs. Raymond Newman, Mrs. Stanton Rudser and Kenneth Sorenson.

Others present: Mrs. Ernest Koehler, representing the First District; Victor Lowrie, representing the Awards Committee; Mrs. Harold Kagg, representing the Thirteenth District; Mrs. K. W. Fisher, Chairman of the Shows Judging Committee; Mrs. Thomas Helvig, Mrs. G. W. Sindt, Mrs. Allan Carnes, members of the Shows Judging Committee; Marvin Schrimpf, representing the Gladiolus Society; Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary; Mrs. Rance Slater and Mrs. Sonju, Guests; Carol Torrey and Harriett Swadburg, from the Society office.

Mrs. Geving moved that the minutes of the August 14, 1967, board meeting as printed and mailed to each board member, be approved. Motion seconded; carried.

Mr. Johnstone presented a president's report in which he stated that the Society is faced with three major problems: 1. financial, 2. membership, 3. promoting gardening among young persons. He stated that it is especially important to encourage the youth of the state to become active as gardeners and club members. He concluded by saying any suggestions to bring about solutions to these three problems would be welcome.

Mr. Hunt reported on the status of the Society and its important activities. He noted that although there was a slight drop (166) in memberships for the past year, the decrease was not as great as in previous years. In his resume of finances he pointed out that the Society suffered a small deficit in the past year's operation, but stated that the current year budget is expected to be a balanced one. He gave special credit to district leaders for their efficiency and willingness to assume responsibility. In concluding, he listed the following as areas where special effort should be given: membership, magazine (both information content and advertising sales), slide library, youth work and beautification of Minnesota.

Dr. Snyder stated in his report that the Arboretum has had a successful year. He reported on the progress of several special areas and plantings and noted the continuing need of a building to house classrooms, an auditotium, library and office. He stated that Mr. Morgan's Development Fund Committee is making reasonably good progress in raising funds for the building.

Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary, told of the plans for a special party at the prevue of Dayton's Flower Show, to be held on March 7. She reported that the committee hoped this event could be sponsored jointly by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and the Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota. A motion was made by Mr. Maffett and seconded by Mrs. Flagstad authorizing the Society to be a co-sponsor of the prevue party. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowrie, representing the Awards Committee, reported that the committee met on October 9 and on Novmeber 15, and examined 29 nominations for honorary awards. After careful consideration, the committee recommended 23 candidates for awards.

Eleven were recommended for Award of Merit, three for Distinguished Service Award, two for Honorary Life Membership and one to receive the Bronze Medal. Mr. Lowrie named the candidates who were recommended for each award.

Mrs. Burton moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky; carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of the official minutes.

In behalf of the Awards Committee Mr. Lowrie offered a resolution: The Society's policy in regard to eligibility for honorary awards is hereby amended to include the following:

AWARD OF MERIT AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATES -- The nominees need not reside within the state but the accomplishments on which the nomination is based must have been for the benefit of Minnesota horticulture.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP -- This award is given only to members of the Society who have given long and valuable service.

Mr. Maffett moved (seconded by Mrs. Van Slyke) that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Johnstone, in opening discussion on the subject of judges training and certification, briefly reviewed the situation which led to the appointment of the Shows Judging Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. K. W. Fisher. He stated that the work of this committee over a period of two years had led to a proposal by the committee that a new system of judges training schools and certification of judges be adopted. He pointed out that an effort has been made to fully acquaint the board with the committee's recommendations. He urged action to either approve or disapprove the new plan, trusting that the members would be guided in their decision by what is best for the Society as a whole.

Mr. Hunt, in presenting general background of exhibiting and judging matters, said that exhibitions were a part of the Society's program of activity from the beginning. During the past thirty years considerable standardization has occurred due to the dedicated efforts of Society members concerned with this area of work. In recent years many members have given outstanding service and leadership to a very successful exhibitor's training project. He concluded by reporting that the judges certification system begun in 1957 is not workable nor effective at the present time and that reconsideration of the Society's goals and procedures in judges training and certification of judges is urgently needed.

Discussion was heard regarding the Society's promotion of, and participation in, judges training courses which are offered or could be offered by University of Minnesota personnel. Dr. Snyder pointed out that there were definite limitations to the instruction which would be feasible under University sponsorship.

Mrs. Flagstad moved (seconded by Mrs. Hedegard) that the recommendations for judges training and judges certification as presented in part in the April 1967 issue of the HORTICULTURIST, and further amended and presented in a communication from President Johnstone to all board members on November 6, 1967, be adopted. The motion carried.

Mr. Holst raised the question of the Society's liability and insurance protection for judging school instructors or other personnel while on official business for the Society. Mr. Hunt reported that the Society has an insurance policy which

provides some such protection but was unable to state in detail how adequate the provisions may be. Dr. Snyder moved (seconded by Mr. Holst) that the Secretary be instructed to immediately examine and ascertain the insurance coverage provided by the Society's present policy. Motion carried.

Further discussion of certain provisions of the adopted plan for judges schools was heard. Mr. Maffett moved that the obtaining of instructors for schools be at the option and with the approval of the executive committee. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Burton and carried.

Dr. Snyder, Chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1968 and certified that in accordance with the tabulation, the following were duly elected: President, Bruce Johnstone; Vice president, Kenneth W. Fisher; Board Members for a three year term, Mrs. Leonard Schmidt and Mrs. Ray Schwingler.

Mr. Holst moved that the tellers report be accepted and that the candidates named in the report be declared duly elected. Seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that Mr. Hunt be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for two years, 1968 and 1969. Seconded by Mrs. Newman. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported that flower shows are to be held in Milwaukee, March 1 - 10; Chicago, March 23 - 31; and in Minneapolis in connection with the Builders Show, March 15 - 24. Discussion was heard in regard to possible Society sponsorship of tours to flower shows. No action was taken.

Mr. Maffett moved to empower President Johnstone to appoint Society delegates to the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society. Seconded by Mr. Holst. Motion carried.

After some discussion regarding the advisability of the Society again having a headquarters booth at the 1968 State Fair, Mrs. Hedegard moved that the Society have a booth to promote both Society and Arboretum membership. Seconded by Mrs. Newman. Motion carried.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that the president appoint a committee to plan and supervise the State Fair booth. Motion seconded and carried.

The president or representative of each member-society reported on past flower shows and accomplishments for the year. Many reported on civic beautification projects.

Executive Board meetings for 1968 were scheduled for March 11, August 5, and November 18.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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President Secretary

List of award recipients for 1967

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. Clifford Aaze	Bloomington
Mrs. K. S. Gontarek	Owatonna
Mrs. Pearl Lamon	LeRoy
Mrs. Eugene Passe	Rochester
Mrs. Clarence Lepinski	Brainerd
Mrs. Josephine Sand Theis	Little Falls
Mr. Merrill Stelling	St. Paul
Mr. Mervin Eisel	Excelsior
Mrs. William S. Sweeney	Minneapolis
Dr. E. H. Rynearson	Rochester
Mrs. Ruth Stileo	Garden City
Mrs. John Post	Lakefield
Mrs. Marion I. Smith	Hibbing
Mrs. Luther Montgomery	Blackduck
Mrs. Adam Lendobeja	Thief River Falls
Mrs. L. A. Meyer	Thief River Falls
Mrs. Ed Weisenhous	Graceton

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Mrs. Thomas Helvig	Bloomington
Mrs. Elmer Stanke	St. Paul
Mrs. C. C. Hitchcock	Savage

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hedegard	Austin
Mr. Arne Karvala	Eveleth

BRONZE MEDAL

Mr. Joseph C. Priley	Duluth

Executive Board Meeting, March 11, 1968
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Johnstone.

Board members present: Bruce Johnstone, E. M. Hunt, Kenneth W. Fisher, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Wesley McGuire, Mrs. Leonard Schmidt, Mrs. Ray Schwingler, Mrs. Dennis Frederickson, Mrs. Minnie Senne, Mrs. John Steen, Mrs. Clarence Lepinski, Mrs. J. F. Lavacot, Mrs. Como Pontliana, Mrs. R. C. Burton, Ronald Gustafson, Marvin Schrimpf, And Mrs. Robert Allison.

Others present: John E. P. Morgan, Arboretum Development Committee Chairman; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sindt, Judging Committee; Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, representing the Eleventh District; Ronald Twite, representing the Richfield Men's Garden Club; Warren Johnson, representing the Twin City Iris Society; Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary; Mrs. Arthur Hammer, delegate of the Eighth District; Mrs Mitchell Miller, representing the Duluth Garden Flower Society; Carol Torrey and Harriett Swadburg, from the Society office.

Following indroductions President Johnstone welcomed the mew Executive Board members.

Ronald Twite moved that reading of the minutes of the November 20, 1967 board meeting be dispensed with, and that the minutes as printed and mailed to each board member, be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. McGuire and carried.

Mr. Hunt read a report submitted by William Lundquist, Chairman of the Fruit Breeding Farm Visitors Committee. Mrs. Handegaard moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Ronald Twite and carried.

Mr. Hunt in reporting on the status of membership, presented a plan for accepting junior memberships and dual memberships at reduced fees as follows:

1. Moved - A person of 18 years or less can become a member of the Society by payment of a $1.00 fee.
2. Moved - The husband or wife of a direct member or life member can become a member by the payment of a $1.00 fee.
3. Moved - When one member of a family is a member through a club, any other person in the family also a member of the group, can become a member of the Society for a $1.00 fee.

Dr. Snyder moved to adopt all three motions as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Burton. Motion carried.

Mrs. Handegaard moved that April 1, 1968 be the starting date for accepting junior and dual memberships and that an announcement to this effect be made in the April HORTICULTURIST. Seconded by Mrs. McGuire and carried.

Mr. Hunt stated that since there was encouraging response last year to newspaper advertising in solicitation of memberships, it might be advisable to try this again with the addition of an offer of free flower seeds with each membership.

Mr. Johnstone added that the Society will be given some free publicity by WCCO Radio's Boone and Erickson Show on Tuesday, April 9 and Thursday, April 11. There will be a panel both days with questions and answers.

Mr. Hunt announced that a new Publications Committee has been appointed: Kenneth W. Fisher, Chairman, Victor Lowrie, Jane McKinnon, Dr. Harold Wilkins, William Hull and Mrs. Jane Osojnicki.

Mrs. Sindt, Chairman of the Shows and Judging Committee, stated that the committee welcomes Mrs. H. R. Weyer and Mrs. T. H. Witte as new members. She reported that letters will soon be sent to numerous judges, soliciting their registration in the new program of officially recognized Horticultural Society judges. She also stated that there have been two requests for schools to be held in the near future.

Mr. Hunt, in reporting on the nature of the Society's Liability Insurance policy, stated that the present policy protects only the Society in the event of a law suit based on an accident involving personal injury or property damage. Any person doing volunteer work for the Society in which automobile travel is involved must depend on his own insurance or that of the car owner, in the event of anaccident.

Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary, reported that the Dayton-Bachman Preview Party was well-attended and was a success.

Mr. Morgan, Chairman of the Development Committee, reported on the progress of the fund raising campaign for the Educational Research Center at the Arboretum. He stated that 35 corporations, 34 foundations, 48 nurseries in addition to more than 1,000 individuals have contributed to this project.

Dr. Snyder reported on the progress being made in all areas of the Arboretum. He stated that need for a classroom resulted in the conversion of the tool shed into a classroom. He mentioned that Saturday tours will feature whatever is in season - also afternoon and evening classes will be conducted during Spring quarter.

A resolution stating the Society's position in regard to regulation of highway billboards was read by Mr. Hunt.
Mr. Twite moved and Mr. Fisher seconded to adopt the resolution. Motion carried.
(The resolution will be appended to made a part of the official copy of these minutes. The resolution will also be published in the HORTICULTURIST.)

Following discussion of the present handling of Arboretum funds, Mr. Hunt proposed that the board authorize the transfer of Arboretum funds to the First National Bank of St. Paul. Mrs. Senne moved that the transfer of Arboretum funds to the First National Bank of St. Paul be authorized. Seconded by Mrs. Handegaard and carried.

Members present gave brief reports regarding their respective organizations and mentioned special events planned for the spring and summer. Many reported on special beautification projects and civic plantings.

Mr. Johnstone announced that the next meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled for Monday, August 5.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

President _____ Executive Secretary _____

A Resolution Concerning Minnesota Highways

Passed by unanimous vote of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society Executive Board
March 11, 1968

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Horticultural Society is a non-profit educational corporation whose more than 8,000 members have either an amateur or professional interest in horticulture and a general interest in the attractiveness and natural beauty of our state; and

WHEREAS, the beauty of our state as seen from highways which traverse and reach into every corner of the countryside has a direct impact on the well-being and pleasure of our citizens and thousands of tourists and visitors; and

WHEREAS, at great cost to taxpayers many new highways are being constructed, maintained and beautified with landscaping materials, for the primary purpose of providing transportation with as much safety and visual pleasure as possible; and

WHEREAS, unregulated or insufficiently restricted use of space adjacent to our highways for commercial uses such as junkyards and the display of miscellaneous advertising devices in many instances obliterates natural views and creates unaesthetic visual distractions;

THEREFORE, the Minnesota State Horticultural Society urges all citizens to concern themselves with the matter of conserving and improving Minnesota's roadside beauty and through their representatives of government at local, state and national levels secure strict compliance with present ordinances and laws pertaining to commercial activities and the erection of advertising devices along highways, and promulgate additional ordinances and laws as needed to accomplish zoning, creation of "'Scenic Areas" or other reasonable regulation necessary to the promotion of safety, the prevention of visual nuisances, and the preservation and development of beauty along highways.

Executive Board Meeting, August 5, 1968
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-president Fisher.

Board members present: Kenneth Fisher, E. M. Hunt, Mrs. G. C.Van Slyke, Mrs. Ray Schwingler, Mrs. Como Pontliana, Mrs. Harry Strong, Mrs. Henry Franz, Mrs. Edgar Meier, Mrs. J. F. Lavacot, Mrs. Erik Johnson, Grant Christensen and Gren Harms.
Others present: W. G. Sindt, Chairman Nominating Committee; Mrs. W. G. Sindt, Chairman Shows Judging Committee; Vincent Bailey, Chairman Budget Committee; Mervin Eisel, Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk and Mrs. Arthus Hammer, guests; Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary; Carol Torrey and Harriett Swadburg, from the Society office.

Mrs. Van Slyke moved that reading the minutes of the March 11 Board meeting be dispensed with, and that the minutes as printed and mailed to each board member, be approved. Motion seconded by Mrs. Lavacot and carried.

Mr. Sindt, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that after careful consideration, his committee had unanimously agreed on a slate of nominees as follows: Kenneth Fisher, president; Vincent Bailey, vice-president; Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Arne Karvala, Phillip Smith and Kenneth Sorenson for Executive Board members,

Mr. Hunt reviewed the Society's Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1968. He pointed out that both income and expenses were greater than the amounts budgeted, and that the year ended with a small net gain. In presenting the Arboretum Fiscal Report, Mr. Hunt noted that since a large portion of the contributions is designated for special projects, there is a constant need for funds for maintenance. Mrs. Strong moved that the Financial Reports be accepted. Motion seconded by Mr. Christensen and carried.

Mr. Bailey, Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the budget recommended by his committee for 1968-1969. He stressed the need for additional income to meet added costs in operating the Society. Mrs. Johnson moved to accept the Budget Committee report and adopt its recommended budget. Seconded by Mrs. Pontliana. Carried.

Mr. Hunt presented background material pertaining to the Society's Legislative request for the next biennium. He stated that the Department of Administration would probably back the Society's request for $7500 for each year of the 1969-71 biennium, and he felt sure that this was the best action to take. After some discussion, Mr. Hunt moved that the Society request $7500 per year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Harms and passed.

Mrs. Sindt, Chairman of the Shows Judging Committee, reported that Course III was presented in June in Stewartville for District I with 26 students attending and was very successful. Course IV is scheduled for October 19 in Stewartville.

Mr. Hunt reported that the Judges Certification Board met in April and wished to present the following resolution:

> "MOVED -- that a person holding certified or accredited judge status granted by a special plant society, upon application for certification by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, may be issued a certified judge card -- provided the card also designates the special plant material the person is qualified to judge."

Since there was no seconding of the motion, the resolution failed to pass.

Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary, reported that a new auxiliary group has been formed from the group previously known as the Volunteer Guides. This group is made up of 5 or 6 smaller groups with specific functions and is under the leadership of Mrs. Edith Herman, president.

Mervin Eisel, in reporting on the Arboretum, stated that to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Arboretum, a Fall Festival will be held at the Arboretum on September 29 from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. with Mrs. Edith Herman and Anne Niles as Chairmen.

Mr. Hunt reported that he had conferred with State Fair officials in regard to booth space, and was advised that the availability of such space would not be known until August 7. In the discussion that followed Mrs. Van Buskirk suggested that in spite of some problems - at this late date it probably would be possible to secure volunteer booth attendants from garden club groups. Mervin Eisel offered his cooperation in providing booth space exhibits from Arboretum materials. The consensus was that a combination Society and Arboretum booth at the Fair would be desirable. Mrs. Van Slyke moved that a committee of three be appointed to make a decision on whether or not the Society shall contract for booth space if and when such space is available. Motion seconded by Mrs. Schwingler and carried.

Mr. Hunt stated that action is required by the First National Bank of St. Paul on the following resolution:

> "RESOLVED that any Certificate(s) of Deposit heretofore, concurrently herewith, or hereafter issued by the First National Bank of St. Paul to this corporation may be paid by said Bank to this corporation either (a) by crediting the proceeds thereof to any bank account of this corporation at said Bank or (b) in such manner as may be specified by any 2 of this corporation's officers whose signatures appear below, any of whom is authorized to endorse in the name of this corporation any of said Certificate(s): President, Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs Lavacot seconded Mr. Hunt's motion. Carried.

In behalf of the 1967 Special Awards Committee, Mr. Hunt presented that committee's request that the Executive Board consider (separately from the committee's regular 1967 recommendations) a recommendation that Dr. Snyder be awarded a Bronze Medal for his work in develpping the Arboretum. A motion by Mrs. Van Slyke and seconded by Mrs. Lavacot carried.

Mrs. Schwingler moved that this board also approve a Bronze Medal for Mr. Morgan for his work as Chairman of the Arboretum Development Committee to be presented this year, presentation to be contingent on approval of such award by the 1968 Special Awards Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Franz and carried.

Members present gave brief reports regarding the activities of their organizations and mentioned special events such as flower shows, tours etc.

Mr. Hunt announced the the University of Minnesota Research Center Visitor's Day will be held on September 14.

Mr. Fisher announced that the next meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled for Monday, November 18.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

President _____ Executive Secretary _____

Executive Board Meeting, November 18, 1968
Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by President Johnstone.

Board members present: Bruce Johnstone, K. W. Fisher, E. M. Hunt, Carl Holst, Dr. L. C. Snyder, Mrs. Gerald Meier, Mrs. Henry Franz, Mrs Clarence Lepinski, Mrs. J. F. Lavacot, Mrs. Como Pontliana, Mrs. Lewis Handegaard, Mrs. John Heins, Mrs. Harold Kagg, Gren Harms, W. W. Johnson, Marvin Schrimph, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard, Mrs. Lambert Klosowsky, Mrs. G. C. Van Slyke, Mrs. Ray Schwingler, and Mrs. Erick Johnson.

Others present: Mrs. W. G. Sindt and Mrs. Thomas Helvig, Shows Judging Committee; Mrs. Edith Herman, President Arboretum Auxiliary; Mrs. H. D. Van Buskirk, Gerald Meier, W. L. Hedegard, W. G. Sindt, guests; Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary; Carol Torrey, Society office.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 5, Board meeting and to approve the minutes as printed and mailed to each Board member. The motion was seconded and carried.

President Johnstone thanked the members of the Board for the cooperation he has received during his term as president of the Society. He stated that as well as bringing in new members, we must get young people interested in the Society. He also stated that the matter of a moderate increase in membership fees should be given serious consideration.

Mr. Hunt, in presenting the secretary's report, reviewed the main facts about the Society's operation during the past year. He noted that for the first time in several years there was a net gain in membership and a small net gain in the funds of the Society. He expressed hope that there will be a small increase in the state legislative appropriated funds for the coming biennium in order that the Society may continue to operate on a balanced budget. In discussing the future work of the Society he called attention to three specific needs: (1) to continue to serve the members well, (2) to contribute to the general horticultural promotion in the state and (3) to involve youth in the activities and goals of the Society.

Dr. Snyder reported that the attendance at the Arboretum had increased. He estimated that 100,000 persons visited the Arboretum during the past year. The Autumn Festival had at least 20,000 visitors. The Arboretum machine shed has been converted into a class room. Construction has begun on a small building to house maple syrup-making equipment. He reported that encouraging progress is being made in the effort to raise money for a much-needed central building to house administration, research and teaching activities.

Edith Herman reviewed the activities of the Volunteer Guides and stated that, among other things, they will conduct the information booth at the Dayton-Bachman Flower Show to be held in late March. There are 120 members of the Arboretum Auxiliary at the present time. Contact Claire Birkeland, Arboretum Secretary, for membership information.

Claire Birkeland reported on the Dayton-Bachman Show Preview Party. The theme of the Preview Party is "Sculptured Gardens". It is to take place on Thursday, March 27, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Price of the tickets is $10.00, of which $6.14 is tax deductible. Membership in the Arboretum for 1968 was 1300 members compared to 1,055 in 1967.

Mr. Holst, Chairman of the Awards Committee, reported that the committee in its meeting on October 14, after careful consideration of all nominations had agreed on recommending 22 candidates for awards. Fifteen candidates were recommended for Award of Merit, five for Distinguished Service Award, and two for Honorary Life Membership. Mr. Holst named the candidates who were recommended for each award.

Mr. Holst moved that the report of the Awards Committee be accepted and that the recommended awards be granted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Klosowsky. Carried.

NOTE: A list of the award recipients is attached to and made a part of the official minutes.

Mrs. Van Buskirk reported on the Society's activities at the State Fair. Mervin Eisel decorated the booth, and the booth was staffed by volunteer help from garden clubs. Approximately 69 memberships were sold at the Fair. She stated that it was good public relations for the Society and the Arboretum. A motion was made by Mrs. Klosowsky for the Society to be active in the 1969 State Fair and authorizing the Executive Committee to appoint a State Fair project committee. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Carried.

Dr. Snyder, Chairman of the Tellers Committee, submitted a tabulation of votes cast for the election of officers for 1969, and certified that in accordance with the tabulation, the following were duly elected: President, Kenneth W. Fisher; Vice-president, Vincent K. Bailey; Board Members, for three-year term, Mrs. W. L. Hedegard and Arne E. Karvala. Dr. Snyder moved that the Tellers report be accepted and that the successful candidates named in the report be declared duly elected. Seconded by Mrs. Handegaard. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sindt reported on the progress of the Judging Schools held in Districts I VIII. She called attention to the enormous amount of volunteer work the seven Shows Judging Committee members have contributed in carrying on the work of the Judges Schools project. (A total of 262 hours, or the equivalent of $6\frac{1}{2}$ 40-hour weeks). Mrs. Hedegard expressed appreciation and thanks of the First District Society for the fine work and special effort of the committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Harms to authorize the Executive Committee to appoint two delegates and alternates to the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society. Motion seconded by Mrs. Erick Johnson and carried.

The president or representative of each member-society reported briefly on special events, projects and activities of the year. There were many flower shows during the year, and there was much emphasis on community beautification. Also some districts have a monthly newsletter.

Date of the next Executive Board meeting was set for March 31. Tentative dates of August 4 and Novmeber 17 were agreed upon for additional meetings next year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

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President Executive Secretary

List of Award recipients for 1968

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Mrs. Walter Gelakoski	Bloomington
Mrs. Arthur Hammer	Duluth
Nels J. Hervi	Virginia
Mrs. Fred Arett	Austin
Mrs. Earl Padelford	Austin
Mrs. Allan Carnes	West St. Paul
Mrs. Theodore Nelson	Forest Lake
Donald Hoag	Fargo
Neal Holland	Fargo
Mrs. Ernest Krabbenhoft	Sabin
Mrs. Dorothy Collins	Moorhead
Mrs. Lila D. Schmidt	Lake George
Mrs. Oscar Johnson	Bemidji
Mrs. Allie Rebarchek	Graceton
Eldren W. Minks	Albert Lea

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CERTIFICATE

Mrs. Charles R. Campbell	Minneapolis
Mrs. Ernest Koehler	Owatonna
Mrs. John Klints	Duluth
Mrs. Mark Richardson	Comfrey
Mrs. Donald Lansing	St. Cloud

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. R. N. Anderson	Brainerd
Mrs. Norman Flagstad	Roseau

BRONZE MEDAL

John E. P. Morgan	White Bear Lake
Leon C. Snyder	St. Paul