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MINUTES OF THE CBHL BOARD MEETING

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The board of the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries met at the Missouri Botanical Garden on February 7, 1975. Meeting with board members Henry Norweb, president, Kathryn Daniels, Ian MacPhail, John Reed and Marjorie Dickinson were James Reed, Carla Lange, Joan Marcus and Margaret Yam of the Missouri Botanical Garden Library.

While other topics were discussed, most of the session was concerned with plans for the annual meeting.

Mr. Norweb called the meeting to order and expressed his appreciation to Jim Reed, Carla Lange and the Missouri Botanical Garden for serving as hosts for the annual meeting when the London meeting was cancelled. He explained that the London location was changed, with regret, because less than half of the membership which usually attends the annual meeting would have been able to make the trip. It was felt that this was not a sufficient representation to justify a business meeting abroad.

After some discussion, the annual meeting was scheduled for May 1-3. There will be a hospitality room for persons arriving on April 30th in the style of the very popular one in Cleveland.

Jim Reed led a discussion of topics to be brought up and papers to be presented at the meeting. More details will be forthcoming but highlights of the meeting will include talks on environmental literature, unorthodox library materials, considerable CBHL business and tours of the beautiful and modern library, gardens, and Climatron of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Mrs. Lange reported that hotel arrangements had been made. Plans are under control for luncheons and dinner including one featuring a steamboat trip on the Mississippi.

Mr. Norweb stated that he would welcome letters from members in regard to topics which they would like brought up at business meetings. New or old business, of course, may also be brought up from the floor.

Mrs. Daniels, in cooperation with the host organization, will be sending out a mailing in the very near future with details on the meeting.

In other business, Mr. Norweb announced the appointment of Solange C. Huggins of the Denver Botanic Gardens and Enola Jane Teeter of Longwood Gardens to the nominating committee. Edith Crockett, outgoing member of the board is automatically chairman of this committee which must nominate two persons for the position of junior member of the board. After the nominations are made, ballots, with provision for write-in candidates, will be mailed to the membership. (See ballot elsewhere in this Newsletter.)

John Reed, treasurer, reported that the organization has a current balance of \$4,396. There was some discussion that perhaps CBHL had reached the point where it could by small grants give financial aid to projects which would benefit all the organization's members. It was hoped that the membership would give some thought to this and discuss it at the annual meeting.

Mr. Reed also distributed copies of the new CBHL membership brochure. Copies will be available from Mr. Reed and Mrs. Dickinson and at the annual meeting. Stationery featuring the logo chosen by the membership at the 1974 annual meeting is also being printed.

Mrs. Daniels suggested that while the London meeting had not worked out it might be possible to arrange a tour for CBHL members, again with the cooperation of Phyllis Edwards of the Botany Department of the British Museum. This proposal will also be discussed in May. There was general agreement that fall, 1976, would be the first time such a trip could be considered.

Mr. Norweb read a letter from R. Milton Carleton requesting assistance in evaluating, for income tax purposes, a collection of manuscript cards on the common names of plants which he wishes to give to the Chicago Horticultural Society. The group did not feel qualified to make any estimate of such a collection's value; however, it was suggested that when the file of CBHL consultants is completed it might show individuals who would be qualified.

Jim Reed brought up the question of CBHL affiliation with the International Federation of Library Associations. He will report on this at the May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned and after a fast walk through the Climatron's orchid show, participants returned to their respective rather grey and wintry homes after a dazzling day in sunny St. Louis.

Marjorie Dickinson
Secretary, Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries

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The Botany Department and Botany Branch Library of the Smithsonian Institution have taken over the stock of the "Contributions from the U.S. National Herbarium" series published by the Smithsonian. If you have any gaps in your holdings, please send your wants to Ruth Schallert, Botany Branch Librarian, Smithsonian Institution, 10th and Constitution, Washington, D.C. 20560. If stock exists, she will fill your requests on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have any unwanted duplicates from this series, send them to her. Later on, a list will be made of the remaining stock and circulated to botanical institutions and universities world-wide, so get your request in now.

The series, "Smithsonian Contributions to Botany," will continue to be handled by the Smithsonian Press Distribution Section. Inquiries concerning it would be addressed to them.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW PUBLICATIONS

ALLERTONIA, A SERIES OF OCCASIONAL PAPERS

This new series will serve for publication of the results of original botanical and horticultural research undertaken by member of the staff of Pacific Tropical Botanical Garden or in collaboration with the Garden's programs. The title commemorates the late Mr. Robert Allerton (1873-1964), a principle patron and founding trustee of the Garden.

ALLERTONIA will be inaugurated with the publication of Rare and Endangered Species of Hawaiian Vascular Plants, by F. R. Fosberg and Derral Herbst, ca. 45 pp. The expected date of issue is March 1975. The price is not yet set. Subsequent numbers will appear irregularly and be individually priced.

Standing orders may be placed by writing to:

Publications Secretary
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THE JOURNAL

A new publication entitled The Journal has recently been published by the Western Reserve Herb Society of Cleveland. A quarterly, Vol. 1, No. 1, of The Journal was published in January with other issues scheduled for April, July, and October. Among the subjects covered in the 24 page January issue were laurel, almonds, monarda, wildflowers, archeology and people. This popular type journal is available at \$3.00 per year from Mrs. Donald Ehlenfeldt, 1912 Bremerton Road, Lyndhurst, Ohio 44124.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given to the members of The Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries, Inc. that pursuant to the provisions of the By-Laws, the seventh Annual Meeting will be held at the Missouri Botanical Garden, 2315 Tower Grove Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63110, at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 1, 1975 for the following purposes: to receive reports of the Board of Directors for the term of office and to conduct such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

SEND IN YOUR PROXIES AND BALLOTS

Proxies and ballots for the new junior member must be received by the CBHL Secretary by April 18. Send your completed proxy and ballot to Marjorie Dickinson, Kingwood Center, P.O. Box 966, Mansfield, Ohio 44901.

MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS

CBHL members are reminded that all registrations for the annual meeting and the motel accommodations are due by April 1, 1975. Late registration for the annual meeting will require a \$5.00 penalty. Please send registration forms and checks to James R. Reed, Missouri Botanical Garden, 2315 Tower Grove Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63110.

HUNT INSTITUTE SPRING SHOW

The Hunt Institute spring art exhibition, entitled "Paintings and drawings by Mary Grierson," will open on April 7, 1975 and run through the end of September. The show will include over 100 water-color paintings and drawings, representative of the artist's work at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and her more recent work for various British conservation groups. A number of Miss Grierson's drawings of protected plants done for the Israeli Nature Reserves Authority will be accompanied by photographs of the Israel-Sinai area taken during her visit there in 1970-71.

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries is open to botanical and horticultural libraries of both public and private institutions. Individual memberships are available to anyone interested, particularly librarians and persons from the horticultural and botanical professions. Institutional membership is encouraged and is open on a world-wide basis to botanical and horticultural libraries of any size.

Annual dues are \$25.00 for institutional members and \$10.00 for individual members.

Applications for membership should be directed to John F. Reed, Treasurer. Checks should be made payable to: The Council on Botanical Libraries, Inc.

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N.B. Next deadline for material is May 19. Send all information to Julie Morris.