

# ***Inland Empire Bonsai Society***

## ***Monthly Meeting Minutes***

February 19, 2006

### **I. Call to order**

Ron Bauer, IEBS president, called to order the regular meeting of the Inland Empire Bonsai Society at 12:00 on February 19, 2006 in the Manito Park Meeting Room.

### **I. Open issues**

- a) **Changes to IEBS bylaws.** A vote of the membership was held to approve new club bylaws. The new bylaws were approved unanimously. Changes to the bylaws were initiated last year. The changes are primarily cosmetic. One significant change is the definition of a quorum. Previously a quorum was defined to be a percentage of the membership. Under the new bylaws a quorum is 10 members, with two being IEBS officers.
- b) **Acceptance of tax deductible donations:** A sample form to be used in the acceptance of tax deductible donations to IEBS was circulated for approval and comments. The form has spaces to be filled in with donor name, donor address, date, and dollar amount of the donation. It was decided that the form should have identical top and bottom portions with the top portion given to the donor and the bottom portion retained by IEBS.
- c) **David DeGroot Workshop.** April 21 and 22. There are still a couple available spaces..
- d) **David Rowe Workshop.** May 26 and 27. There are still a couple of available spaces.
- e) **Japan order.** A minimum order has been assembled, - 600,000 yen (\$5,000 - \$6,000) minimum. There will be a short delay in submitting the order to our contact in Japan due to circumstances on their end. Members are encouraged to submit any additional orders soon. As soon as our contact is able to process our order we will send it in.
- f) **Possible ABS Convention.** IEBS has been contacted by the American Bonsai Society about the possibility of holding the 2009 ABS Convention in Spokane. We will continue to discuss this with ABS.

### **I. New business**

- a) **Program.** The scheduled monthly program was conducted as planned and described in the 2006 Calendar of Meetings and Events.

### **I. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by: John Kittel, IEBS Secretary;

Minutes approved by: Ron Bauer, IEBS President