

Inland Empire Bonsai Society

Monthly Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2006

I. Call to order

Wendy Peden, IEBS President, called to order the regular meeting of the Inland Empire Bonsai Society at 12:00 on Sunday, September 24, in the Manito Park Meeting Room.

II. Open issues

- a) **August Picnic Report:** Members reported on the activities from the annual August picnic. People enjoyed the bonsai conversation, good food, and even a little bonsai styling activity and discussion on some of Marty's trees.
- b) **Spokane Interstate Fair Report:** Wendy Peden reported that the IEBS exhibit at the Spokane Interstate Fair, September 8 – 17, was well received by the public. Thanks were extended to the IEBS volunteers who helped with the exhibit.
- c) **PNBCA Convention Report:** Eight IEBS members attended the PNBICA convention in SeaTac Washington on the weekend of September 15 – 17, with seven of those being full convention participants. They described the convention demonstrations, workshops, and guest artists for the benefit of IEBS members who did not attend. Members discussed the PNBICA idea of moving the annual convention to some time in the spring; most members felt this would not be a good move because of the difficulty of getting over the mountain passes at that time of year and interference with prime repotting time.

III. New business

- a) **Change of IEBS officers:** The IEBS President and Treasurer both recently found it necessary to resign from their positions. Wendy Peden, formerly IEBS Vice President has accepted the office of President. . The office of Vice President will remain empty until new officers are elected at the November monthly meeting. On September 9th the remaining officers elected Roger Snipes as Treasurer for the remainder of 2006.
- b) **2007 Program:** The need to form a committee to plan the 2007 program of activities was discussed. It was agreed to send email to solicit volunteers to meet once or twice before the end of 2006, to establish the 2007 program.
- c) **Election of IEBS officers for 2007:** It was announced that nominations for IEBS officers for 2007 will be accepted at the October meeting. A nominating committee was formed.
- d) **Bonsai Auction:** Members were informed of the details of the bonsai auction to be sponsored by the Puget Sound Bonsai Society, to be held on November 11.

IV. Adjournment

The business portion of the meeting was concluded at 12:45 P.M. The hands-on program activities were a presentation of information about fall bonsai tasks and disease prevention, and workshop for fall styling and maintenance of conifers. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: John Kittel, IEBS Secretary

Minutes approved by: Wendy Peden, IEBS President