

President Louis Mendez opened the business meeting at 7:10 P.M.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and accepted. Diane Thorp was thanked for taking the January minutes in the absence of the Recording Secretary.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$5,876.01 in the treasury.

There will be an orchid exhibit at the Sunken Gardens in St. Petersburg on April 5, 2020. More details on the website.

The Sarasota Orchid Society will have an orchid auction at the Marie Selby Activity Center Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

A donation from the Society was made to the American Orchid Society in honor of Barry Reese.

Palmer's Spring open house will be held Friday and Saturday, March 13th and 14th at his greenhouse.

A history of the Society by Roger Miller is now on the website

Speaker, Julie McClure, spoke on The Orchids of Costa Rica and their various growing habitats.

We all enjoyed the two birthday cakes presented to Lucille Negrin in celebration of her February 90th birthday. (Pictures are on our Facebook page.)

The plants on the plant (show) table were reviewed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M. and the raffle conducted

Respectfully submitted, Mercedes Kratz, Recording Secretary.