Manatee Orchid Society Minutes, October 8, 2019

President Louis Mendez opened the business meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The minutes of the September meeting were accepted as they appeared on the website.

Treasurer, Sharon Kinkaid, reported a balance of \$5,866.53 in the treasury.

There was no report from the Nominating Committee

Louis Mendez said several members had volunteered for the Accommodations Committee which is responsible for setting up for the meeting and cleaning up after. Volunteers serve a three-month term. Interested members for the upcoming year can sign up with Louis.

Julie McClure reported on the Celebration of Life for Barry Reese on September 14th. Seven MOS members along with several of Barry's military service and long-time high school friends attended. Julie will make a donation to MOS in his honor.

A sign-up list for the December holiday party was circulated. Additional signups will be taken at the November meeting.

Roy Krueger announced that he will be the guest speaker at the Englewood Orchid Society on Monday, October 14, 2019,

The field trip for members will be at Selby Gardens on Saturday, October 12 to view "Blossoms of Asia." Lunch afterwards optional.

MOS member Micah Dault reviewed the Orchid Digest power-point presentation "Phalaenopsis: The Species and Their Culture". There are 29 species of phalaenopis, many of which can be grown successfully in Southwest Florida.

The plant table was not reviewed due to time constraints.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. and the raffle conducted.

Respectfully submitted, Mercedes Kratz, Recording Secretary