

Idaho Gourd Society  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
November 13, 2021

After a good time with the Wheel of Goodies, President Ron Swank called the meeting to Order at 10:40 AM. Ron then read IDGS' Statement of Purpose in which it reads: "The purpose of the IGDS is to unify and support gourd artists, crafters and growers and promote gourd appreciation." The objective of the IDGS are: "a) to provide the culture and crafting of gourds; b) to provide informational and educational services to its members and the community; and c) to provide an annual festival for the promotion of gourds and gourd crafting."

Ron then introduced the present elected board members: Ron Swank, President; Bill Tarlton, Vice President; Sue Kostka, Secretary; Corlis Kent, Treasurer; and Directors on the Board, Liz Meyer, Christy Pletcher and Steve Kiser. He also introduced appointed staff: Membership Secretary, Madlen Tarlton; Webmaster/Facebook Curator, Chris Peters. Yet to be filled is the Newsletter Editor (after the resignation of Karo Frazier). Thank you to all outgoing board members for their service this past term.

#### MINUTES

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the last General Meeting in April 2021, minutes, seconded and unanimously passed. They are available on file for anyone to peruse.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Corlis Kent gave an in-depth report of income and expenses to-date. (report is herein filed). As of this date, the IDGS has a balance of \$9,403.19 in the bank and \$18.88 in Petty Cash on hand. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer's report as given.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Madlen Tarlton reported that of our 104 members, we have 17 new members and 55 renewal to-date.

#### ELECTION

Bill Tarlton collected the ballots for count. On the ballots, nominees were Vickie McIntire, Vice President; Corlis Kent, Treasurer; and Ken Gordy, Director #3.

#### PATCH REPORTS

Kuna – Kuna has been put on hold temporarily

Boise – Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month.

Sunshine – Meets every Wednesday with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month being a workshop/class.

Boise Woodcraft – New patch to begin on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month and will be project oriented.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

This Christmas party and gift exchange will be held at the Idaho Pizza Co. on Fairview in Boise. The IDGS will pick of \$5.00 of the cost for each member.

### OPPORTUNITY

It was announced that we have an opportunity to teach classes at Franz Witte. The cost of the class should be around \$45 per student. Contact Ken Gordy if you are interested in teaching.

### IAW (Idaho Artistry in Wood + Gourds)

Steve Kiser reported that the Wood show will be held at the JUMP in downtown Boise on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Idaho Gourd Society will be in charge of the raffle tables.

### GOURD RETREAT

Christy Pletcher announced that there is a possibility to have a gourd retreat at the Methodist Church Camp out of Fairfield if anyone is interested. Response was good from the members and Christy will look into the dates of the 1<sup>st</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> weekends in August to see if that will work. The comment was maybe we could get a teacher to come and teach during that time.

### FESTIVAL 2022

It was proposed at the last Board meeting to change our festival from October to September 22-25, 2022. A discussion was held and members felt this to be a good time of year for holding outdoor classes, etc.

### ELECTION RESULTS

Ballots were counted and the results were Vickie McIntyre will be Vice President; Corlis Kent will be Treasurer; and Ken Gordy will be Director #3 for the next two year term. (see attached).

### SHOW & TELL

Many beautiful gourds were shared by our members.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Kostka, Secretary