

## **POLICIES & STANDING RULES**

These rules were adopted 2/7/1997 and amended 3/2/2001, 9/7/2007 and 10/7/2011

### **One - Clara B. Rees Iris Society Standing Rules**

- 1. Standing Rules are those rules of a continuing nature that may be adopted at any meeting without the necessity for previous notice being given. At any future session, any of the standing rules may, by a majority vote, be suspended for that session only. They should not interfere with the freedom of any meeting.**
- 2. A standing rule may be amended or rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership present without notice. If notice of the proposed action was given at the previous meeting or in the newsletter preceding the meeting, it may be amended or rescinded by a majority vote.**

### **Two - Region 14 Regionals**

- 1. If the President is unable to attend, the Vice President or other designee shall use the registration to represent this Society.**
- 2. The Society representative shall give a report about the Region 14 regional business meeting at the next general meeting of the Society**

### **Three - Meetings**

- 1. The program at the general meeting shall be presented before the business of the general meeting, unless the speaker agrees to a change.**
- 2. After visitors attend three (3) club meetings, they shall be expected to join the society.**

### **Four - Honors**

- 1. The American Iris Society Region 14 Vice President and the Bulletin Editor shall be honorary members of this society during their terms in office.**

### **Five - Door Prize Iris**

- 1. The drawing for door prize iris shall take place no later than 10:00 PM (2 1/2 hours from the start of a general society meeting).**
- 2. Door prize iris are won by members only.**
- 3. Door prize iris are the property of Clara B. Rees Iris Society. The volunteers growing door prize iris are responsible for planting the iris promptly and giving the iris good culture throughout the year. The person(s) growing the iris may cut bloom stalks from the door prize iris for their own enjoyment or to bring to a show.**

**The person(s) growing the door prize iris may hybridize with the iris, but any bloom stalk, whether mature or not, will be removed when the iris is dug in July.**

- 4. The person(s) growing the iris should report any losses to the door prize iris chairman and the newsletter editor promptly, so that the iris can be removed from the list of available door prizes.**

5. The volunteers growing the iris are responsible for digging, labeling the iris, and returning the iris to the door prize chairman ten (10) days before the July Picnic and Auction. The entire clump is dug in July, divided, and the rhizomes and toes labeled. All parts are returned to the Society. Any evidence of disease, not already reported, should be reported to the door prize iris chairman when the rhizomes are returned.

6. In the event of cultivar failure the door prize iris chair will make substitutions from any extra door prize increases.

7. Door prize iris will be delivered to the annual picnic bagged and ready for distribution. If the winners do not claim their prize iris or instruct someone to claim them at that time, the iris will become auction items.

#### **Six - Financial Matters and Reimbursements**

1. Individuals or organizations must have Board permission to sell their products during CBRIS sponsored activities. They shall pay a minimum of five (5) per cent of the gross receipts to the Society from their sales.

2. If requested, CBRIS shall reimburse members for meeting refreshments.

3. Expenses shall be submitted to the Treasurer within one year of the date of the expense.

#### **Seven - Memorials**

1. A donation up to \$ 50.00 may be made to the AIS Foundation in memory of an AIS member or a CBRIS member who has passed away.

#### **Eight - Miscellaneous**

1. The disposition of leftover iris is to be determined by the event chairman and the president

#### **Nine - Monthly Newsletter**

1. The monthly newsletter will be sent to members electronically. Printed copies of the monthly bulletin shall be mailed only to those members who do not own a computer. The newsletter is also available on the society website.