

PLATINUM COAST ORCHID SOCIETY STANDING RULES 2024

(Approved April 2024)

The following rules are established under provisions of Article X. Section 2. PCOS Bylaws.

1. Dues:

The dues will be \$20 per year for adult members, \$5.00 per year for junior members (16 years or younger). A dual membership will be \$30.00 for adults residing at the same address. New members only, joining after October 1st shall have their membership run through December 31st of the following year.

2. Mileage:

Mileage is authorized to be paid to members conducting Society business at the following rates: Forty (40) cents per mile for trucks, vehicles pulling a trailer or any other vehicle getting 13 miles per gallon or less; Twenty-five (25) cents per mile for all other vehicles. Mileage is paid for out-of-town travel and local mileage that is driven as a special trip and not part of one's normal commute or errand run. The policy should not be construed to include personal mileage. Payment requires Board approval.

3. Refreshments:

The member who is host/hostess for refreshments on meeting night may be reimbursed for expenses up to \$50.00 if receipts are turned in: spending up to \$50.00 for special events with Board approval. Paper products and drinks will be furnished by the Society apart from the hostess expenses.

4. Sunshine Committee:

The Sunshine Committee may spend up to \$50.00 for flowers for members who have a prolonged illness or who are hospitalized and up to \$100.00 is authorized for flowers for funerals of members or their immediate family (immediate family is defined as spouse, children, mother, father).

5. Guest Speakers:

Membership approval is required for payment over \$200.00. Additional reimbursements will be made on an individual basis for lodging, travel, etc.

6. Plant Sales:

All members that are "paid up" for the current year prior to the start of the plant sale are eligible to sell plants.

7. Meetings:

Membership Meetings shall be held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Cocoa-Rockledge Garden Club except as follows:

- A. A "ramble" to view members' home orchid gardens may be substituted for the June or July membership meeting.
- B. The December meeting will be a Holiday Party at a location and date to be determined.