

Minutes of the HIPS Board Meeting, Sept. 1, 2015 (Approved)

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 p.m. EST by President Cathy Egerer.

Nancy McDonald was introduced as timekeeper for the teleconference call.

Roll Call: List of attendees

Cathy Egerer, Robert Karr, Judy Schneider, Susan Boyce, Darlene Cook, Shaub Dunkley, Delane Langton, Brett Barney, Gary White, Nancy McDonald, Charlie Carver, Dave Prichard, Dorothy Stiefel, Kate Brewitt, Judy Ekhooff, Laetitia Munro, and Judy Keisling

Absent : Winona Stevenson, Paul Gossett, Rita Butler, Linda Bell, and Doug Paschall

The president welcomed the new board members; Linda Bell (secretary), Delane Langton (North Central), Dorothy Stiefel, Charlie Carver (ID chair) , and Susan Boyce, the new Archives chair, and thanked them for offering to serve.

Treasurer Judy Keisling gave an update on the rhizome sale. The gross sales were \$8049.08, and there will be approximately \$2678.00 to be returned as refunds. Several people did not want refunds, and not all of the refunds have been processed. Judy Schneider will confer with Judy Keising regarding the HIPS members who preferred to have their refund kept as a donation. Shipping was \$955.50 for a net profit of \$4415.58. President Egerer thanked Linda Thompson and Judy Schneider for their hard work in making the rhizome sale a success. Judy Schneider gave information on the problem that resulted from several large donors being unable to send rhizomes.

OLD BUSINESS: Laetitia Munro gave an update on the website construction. The new site should be online by September 30th. The delay was due to the artwork being more time consuming. The new site will be easier to navigate with more search capability. Dave Prichard moved that we approve an additional \$300.00 for website development to have a new shopping cart installed, with the stipulation that the site will be online by September 30th. Gary White seconded. Roll call vote: 15 yes, with one abstention (Charlie Carver) Motion carried.

The budget committee would like to prepare a budget for 2016 since 2015 is drawing to a close. Dave Prichard moved to approve a \$600.00 one-time expense for shipping the Archive and slide collections to new locations. Laetitia seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 14 yes, one abstention (Charlie Carver). Brett Barney had left the call. Motion carried

Charlie Carver made a motion to approve \$200.00 as a one-time expense for the Guardian Gardens and Preservation projects to cover expenses incurred during 2015. Susan Boyce seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 16 yes. Motion carried. There will be a line item in the 2016 budget for future GG and Preservation project expenses.

There was a discussion regarding back copies of Roots magazines and how many to retain after being digitized. This will be revisited after the Archive materials are inventoried.

NEW BUSINESS: We discussed asking Janet Smith, the AIS slide coordinator, to scan the remaining HIPS slides on the new scanner that the AIS Foundation purchased. We would offer the use of the digitized images to the AIS for the Encyclopedia, with HIPS credited for the photos. Nancy McDonald made a motion to ask Janet to scan the slides in return for their use in the AIS Encyclopedia. Dave Prichard seconded the motion. Roll call vote: 16 yes. Motion carried. Cathy will contact Janet Smith. Robert will go through the slides and discard any vacation slides that have nothing to do with irises, to save on shipping weight. There was some question

regarding the possibility of scanning glass slides. Janet will be consulted, and slides may also be available to HIPS from her collection.

The discussion regarding the creation of a new, official Facebook page for HIPS with multiple administrators was tabled as Linda Karr is trying to get it resolved through Facebook. She and Robert will work on it and hopefully it will be resolved soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m. EST

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bell, Secretary