

Minutes of the HIPS Annual Meeting
May 23, 2017

The 2017 HIPS Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 23, 2017 at the Marriott Hotel in Des Moines, Iowa in conjunction with the AIS Convention. The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by President Cathy Egerer, who welcomed the attendees.

HIPS Treasurer Judy Keisling gave a report of our finances as of December 31, 2016. Due to the success of the 2016 rhizome sale, our budget is very healthy and our assets have grown.

Total Assets at December 31, 2015	\$26,034.74
Net Profit for calendar year ended December 31, 2016	7,672.36
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Checking Account - Roundout Bank	11,707.81
Checking Account - Bank Midwest	5,427.68
Life Membership Fund - Roundout Bank	7,120.10
Certificate of Deposit "Unrestricted Funds"	0.00
PayPal Balance	<u>9,451.51</u>
Total Assets	\$33,707.10

Paul Gossett, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of nominees for the HIPS Board.

President: Cathy Egerer
Vice-President: David Prichard
Secretary: Madeline West
Treasurer: Judy Keisling
South Central Regional Director: Wendy Scott
Northwest Regional Director: Janet Smith

Paul asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were none. Gary White made a motion to accept the slate of nominees. Nancy McDonald seconded the motion and vote was by a show of hands. Motion carried.

Paul Gossett then presented the HIPS Distinguished Service Awards for 2017. The recipients were Gary White, and Douglass Paschall. Paul thanked Gary for his many years of service to HIPS, as a Board member and past President, and to Doug for his work in creating and implementing the HIPS Guardian Gardens program. Their contributions have helped make HIPS a stronger organization.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm, followed by a presentation by Robert Pindell of the Willott Memorial Iris Garden in Cleveland.