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I want to give a big thank you to John Jones for agreeing to handle the board reports directly for the fall meeting in Las Vegas and to Susan Boyce for being my back-up while Gerry and I were in the land down under.

There were four electronic ballots conducted between the time of the Spring Board Meeting in April and the present date.

- Brad Kasperek moved and Jill Bonino seconded as follows:

"Each year, upon notification to the Secretary of The American Iris Society by the British Iris Society (BIS), The American Iris Society will award an Adult Silver Medal (Exhibition) to the exhibitor at the spring BIS show exhibiting the best-of-show collection of one-to-many bloom stalks made up only of North American Irises. The BIS will specify the conditions of the award (i.e., the number of bloom stalks to be exhibited in the collection). The medal will be engraved by AIS with the name of the exhibitor and the year of the award."

The motion passed with 12 YES votes and zero NO votes.

- Jill Bonino moved and Bob Pries seconded as follows:

"Once a motion has been made and seconded electronically, email motion discussion will be allowed for a minimum of 7 days and a maximum of 14 days. In the interest of prompt action on AIS business, if after 7 days there have been no more than 3 emails discussing the motion, the General Secretary will place the motion on AISVote. The voting period will be 14 days unless otherwise specified by the AIS President. Once the voting period has been completed, the AIS General Secretary will post the official results of the voting on AISDiscuss."

The motion passed with 14 YES votes and zero NO votes

- Gary White moved and Michelle Snyder seconded as follows:

"I move that the American Iris Society fund Dr. Allan Meerow's grant proposal request of \$4840 for the first year of his study: "Heterogeneity, ecological specialization and introgression in a large population of *Iris savannarum*", and that \$4597 (or current Scientific and Scholarship fund balance) be paid from the AIS Scientific and Scholarship Fund, and the remaining amount be paid from the AIS general funds."

The motion passed with 13 YES votes and 1 NO vote.

- Michelle Snyder moved and Jeanne Clay Plank seconded as follows:

"Jayme Adams, RVP, Region 11 be appointed as Chair of the Exhibitions Committee Robert Keup, be appointed as Advertising Editor of the Bulletin An ad hoc committee be appointed to study and make recommendation(s) to the Fall meeting of the Board of Directors relative to offering a membership discount when someone joins both AIS and a Section or Cooperating Society concurrently. The committee members would be: Jill Bonino, Chair; James Morris; Tom Gormley; Anita Moran; Paul Gossett; Will Plotner; and Dennis Hager"

The motion passed with 14 YES votes and 1 NO vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Snyder
AIS Secretary