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- 1. I am now working with Region 3, Presby Memorial Iris Gardens, and Essex County, NJ in hosting the 2016 AIS Convention. I have a signed contract and the dates of the convention will be May 23 through 28, 2016. I am working on locating a hotel in Newark, NJ. With this, the 2016 convention, AIS will be Responsible for the costs of the hotel expenses and possibly some other expenses. I will be asking my committee and other people to assist with the convention.
- 2. Gary White will be presenting an invitation to host the 2015 AIS Fall Board Meeting in Omaha, NE. I would request you approve this invitation.
- 3. Gary White will be presenting an invitation from Region 21 to host the 2017 AIS Convention in Des Moines, IA. I would request you approve this invitation.
- 4. I did meet with members from the AIS PR and Marketing Committee at the 2013 convention to start working on plans for the 2020 AIS Convention somewhere near New York City.
- 5. The Iris Society of Dallas is asking for assistance by asking for a donation to help pay for the A/V equipment that will be used at the 2014 AIS Convention in Dallas. I have enclosed a letter of Request. I would request this be approved.
- 6. I am still working on expanding my committee so that my committee can assist upcoming convention sites with conventions by working in positions that do not require a local person.
- 7. I continue to ask the chairperson of AIS Conventions to strive to get the registrations and meeting information to the AIS Editor and the AIS Web Master as early as possible, so that the membership can have the information to make their plans to attend the convention.

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