

IASWG Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Call)
August 26, 2015

Minutes

Members in attendance: Greg Tully (President), Jen Clements (Vice President), Michael Wagner (Historical Secretary), Joyce Webster (Communications Secretary), Brian Kelly (Marketing), Dana Leeman (Symposium), Mark Macgowan (Commission), Kyle McGee (Nominations & Elections), Patty Underwood (Chapter Development)

Members absent: Dominique Steinberg (Treasurer), Charles Garvin (Practice), Mark Doel (International)

- 2015 Budget/Fundraising (Greg)
 - Dominique was unable to be on the call today, but Dominique asked Greg to report that 2015 taxes are completed/sent, and Committee Chairs will be contacted soon for 2016 budget projections.
 - In addition, Greg reported that he and Dominique met in NYC recently to consider feedback to send to the entire Board in advance of the November meeting that outlines their projections for end of year income/expenses, and their estimation that end of year expenses could exceed income by approximately 17K if no action is taken. Thus, both feel there is a need to follow through on making minor cuts to the 2015 budget already discussed and agreed upon at the June Board meeting, and to increase fundraising efforts for the remainder of the year both at the individual level and at the institutional level (Invitational donating, individual donations)
 - ExCo members addressed the idea of cancelling the Nov. Board meeting to save potential \$12---13k in travel/lodging costs, but this idea was rejected as they feel the November Board meeting is too important.
 - There was some additional ExCo discussion about reducing financial support for Board members for travel and lodging stipend in 2015, but for now it was agreed that support should continue for travel and lodging stipend in 2015 (with no other minor travel expenses to be covered); all agreed these issues will be further explored at the Nov. Board meeting related to the coverage for 2016
- November Board Meeting (Greg)
 - November 7---8, 2015, at site to be determined in NYC (most likely Fordham University.)
 - Joyce will send out Save-the-Date reminder to all Board members
- Election 2015 Update (Kyle)
 - Current committee includes: Kyle McGee, Sam Benbow, Daniela Riccelli, and Jorune Vysniauskyte-Rimkiene

- Recently narrowed list from 8 nominees down to just 6; very strong slate of candidates
- Kyle is in the process of notifying nominees and obtaining platform statements (1st week of Sept is the goal)
- Notification of online voting should be sent out as an e-mail survey during the third week of September
- Platform statements will be translated in to Spanish, French, and German

- Symposium 2016 Update (Dana)
 - North Carolina 2015 review
 - Dana thanked Marilyn, Ann, & Willa for their efforts
 - Don't have a final budget yet; will be presented at Nov. Board meeting; Greg reported we made \$10k-\$12k in income
 - Symposium evaluations were just sent out via e-mail
 - Call for proposals for proceedings is forthcoming

 - New York 2016
 - Christine Wilkins has been scouting NYU as a possible location. While others have suggested alternative possibilities like the Roosevelt Hotel (Greg), or the Brooklyn Marriott (Carol Cohen), it seems that NYU may be the best choice in terms of price/space. Dana and Greg will continue to work with Christine on determining if NYU can work out.
 - **Considering June 15-18, 2016**
 - *Scheduling change being considered due to NYU space availability: event would take place Weds-Sat. noon, instead of Thurs-Sun. noon, as we have done in the past*
 - Themes are still being considered; ideas are welcome
 - Several members have already committed to joining the local planning group in NY
 - There was some discussion about financial issues related to the Symposium (i.e. offering fewer meals, raising registration rates, etc); these will be brought to the Board meeting in November for discussion/vote
 - The Executive Committee agreed it is important to maintain sense of community while minimizing costs

- Wisconsin Camp 2015 - Final report (Jen)
 - John, Ann, and Jen put on a great Group Work Camp
 - \$14k in fundraising income; \$1k in registration income
 - \$11k in housing costs
 - Camp should return some surplus to IASWG
 - 50 students scholarships awarded; many new student members
 - 23 practitioners/academics attended

- Lithuania Camp 2015 - Brief update (Mark D.)
 - Mark was unable to be on the call today, but Mark asked Greg to report that planning for this October 2015 event is coming along well
- IASWG Archives – Brief update (Michael)
 - John and Carol Ramey’s daughters notified us that they have boxes of IASWG materials that are needing to be archived
 - Michael will spearhead efforts to assess current status of IASWG archives / reconnect with the library at Univ. of Minnesota and then plot out next steps
- Practice Committee- Brief update (Charles)
 - Charles was not present to give a report
- Commission Committee- Brief update (Mark M)
 - Group is working on materials to promote Commission via NADD, etc
- Membership Committee- Brief update (Joyce)
 - Currently have 535 members for 2015, as well as \$3k generated in organizational memberships
 - A mass mailing for renewals went out in July, e-blast renewal reminders continue, and auto-renewal is now available on the IASWG website
 - Joyce will be making motion at Nov. Board meeting to institute a slight rate increase across all membership categories
- Chapter Development Committee - (Patty)
 - All sixteen chapter reports have been collected and chapter support payments have been sent out
 - A few inquires about chapter development (Quebec, etc) are being pursued
 - Conference call with chapter chairs regarding event planning will take place in September
- Marketing Committee - Upcoming CSWE conference plans (Brian)
 - CSWE/AMP coming up; Brian looking for folks to staff IASWG booth
 - NASW is willing to do a 500 word blog post about our Symposium; Brian is creating, Exec Committee members will edit
 - Still working to ramp up presence on social media
 - Committee meeting being planned for the Fall

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce Webster
IASWG Communications Secretary