

## **IASA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING, 18 JULY 2017**

The meeting was held at La Posada Hotel, Laredo, 7:20 – 10:30 pm

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Introductory Remarks**

The IASA President, Manuel Broncano, introduced a new item (item 7) concerning his successor, which was accepted. The agenda was also amended accordingly for the General Assembly as agenda item 2.

The council members introduced themselves. The President thanked the members for attending and welcomed them to Laredo and to Texas A&M University.

#### **2. Treasury Report**

The council members received the 2017 IASA Financial Report.

The President explained that in order to unfreeze the association's account the council will need to provide a copy of the original charter from the founding of IASA in Leiden, by-laws that were originally written in Dutch. To transfer the charter to Madrid they will need to be by a certified translator.

The balance after the Seoul conference was 3853.12 euros, with 600 euros in Paypal.

Expenses for RIAS and the IASA Website total 3882 euros, giving an estimated total of 370 euros.

Estimated income for Laredo income is \$20,300 and estimated expenses are \$15000, as itemized by the President, including funds from the city of Laredo which will fund the conference reception.

This gives an estimated positive balance from the Laredo conference of \$5300.

Giorgio Mariani raised the question of IASA membership fees, regarding fees paid both by individuals and organizations. This led to a discussion about membership payment being expected every 2 years, corresponding with the years in which the conference is held. This was agreed by the council.

Jose Antonio Gurpegui, who is taking over the role as Treasurer, will be opening the new IASA account in Spain and will be aided by a local accountant. He raised the issue of taxes on keynotes' stipends.

#### **3. Report on RIAS**

The Editor-in-Chief of RIAS, Giorgio Mariani, thanked the previous Editor Cyraina Johnson-Roullier for her work on RIAS.

He spoke to the council about revisions to the membership of the editorial board of RIAS and how the board would function in an online capacity. He also outlined plans for a planning cycle for future issues, with the possibility of special issues that could stem from IASA conferences.

He estimated that 2000 euros would pay for two issues a year.

Council members suggested that papers that spoke closely to the conference keynote lectures might find a natural place within RIAS.

The President raised the possibility of advertising to raise revenue for RIAS.

Discussion took place on the ranking of the journal and its potential acceptance by the Scopus database.

#### **4. IASA Website**

The President outlined the issues regarding website maintenance and proposed that we look for alternative estimates.

#### **5. Venue for IASA 9th World Congress, 2019**

The council agreed that the venue for the 2019 congress will take place at Alcalá de Henares near Madrid. The Treasurer recommended that this might take place in the second week in July 2019, to which the council agreed.

#### **6. Registration of IASA in Spain**

This was discussed earlier in the meeting. The President elaborated on the need to transfer the charter of IASA from the Netherlands to Spain.

#### **7. Appointment of New IASA President**

The council approved that Manuel Broncano will continue as President for two more years, until 2019.

#### **8. Appointment of new IASA Vice-President**

The council approved that Manpreet Kang will be the next Vice-President of IASA.

#### **9. Appointment of new IASA Executive Director**

The council approved that Pawel Jedzejko will be the next Executive Director of IASA.

#### **10. Renewal of IASA Executive Council**

The Council discussed the expiry of the terms of members and the proposal for new members. It was confirmed that the full term of regular council members is 4 years.

The Council approved that ex-Presidents will be honorary, non-voting members of the council.

#### **11. Other Business**

The next European Association for American Studies conference will be held at Kings College London, University College London and the British Library in London, UK, 4–7 April 2018. The deadline for paper and panel proposals is 1 October 2017 and should be sent to [ebaas2018@baas.ac.uk](mailto:ebaas2018@baas.ac.uk)