

MINUTES

IASA BOARD ZOOM MEETING

DATE

Sunday, June 19, 2022

Time: 17:00 (GMT+3)

ATTENDEES:

President: **Paweł Jędrzejko**

IASA Executive Director: **Gabriela Vargas-Cetina**

IASA Secretary: **S. Bilge Mutluay Çetintaş**

IASA Media Officer: **György “George” Tóth**

AGENDA:

1. Introductory Remarks

IASA president, Paweł Jędrzejko explained that IASA Board vice president Elisa Serna Martínez will no longer be able to serve on the board due to medical reasons and she has presented her resignation letter. The board members wish her well and a speedy recovery.

2. Financial Issues

2.1 The board needs help in setting up the previously planned bank account in Spain. This matter was discussed and suggestions were considered. Paweł will be applying for funds to fly to Spain and, if funded, will try to be in Spain in late July to set up the account.

2.2 If Paweł encounters problems in setting up a bank account for IASA in Spain, setting up a new PayPal account will be a temporary solution, although the Board realizes that a formal bank account is necessary for future transactions (PayPal accounts also have handling fees).

2.3 The control of previous IASA PayPal account has not been located yet. Paweł has written to PayPal and they have not responded. He will be repeating his request to PayPal. Other board officers suggested contacting the Executive Board (and previous treasurers) for more information on who was in charge of the previous account. Jiaying will help in trying to locate the person in charge of the account and will be writing to previous treasurers for more information. George shared two previous information documents related to the previous PayPal account.

2.4 Jiaying and Paweł will be working more on this issue and solve the details in the near future.

3. IASA World Congress 2022

3.1 There were three declarations of interest for the Emory Elliott Award committee. At least two more people are needed for the committee. Academicians from India might be a better choice since a local organization committee has already been established. Gabriela has suggested Igor to serve on the committee as well.

3.2 Anup Beniwal, J. D. Schnepf, and Manju Jaidka will be serving on the Emory Elliott committee. The board will be sending Thank You letters for their contribution.

4. The Next World Congress (2023)

The next World Congress venue is still not certain but Poland is a strong possibility in 2023. Usually the biannual congresses were held at the IASA President's organization for practical purposes. The University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland is a major hub with its proximity to other cities in Europe and the venue may create interest. Also, since the 2021 World Congress was postponed due to the pandemic, the 2023 World Congress will help to put the IASA World Congress schedule back in track. Possible theme: Travelogue. Paweł and George will be working on the Call for Papers after presenting this theme to the Executive Board.

5. Funding for IASA

5.1 Donations from members and outside parties are desperately needed. George suggested that the IASA members should think about contributing even a small amount and even if they are not planning to attend the conference.

6. Suggestions

6.1 Although the board members are suggested to attend the IASA World Congress 2022 in person, travelling costs and other health concerns still persists but Paweł (and maybe Bilge) will try to attend.

6.2 Since the current IASA Board has lost one of its officers, possible names to replace the vice president were discussed. The IASA Board officers agree that the new board member should be from Spain to help with financial matters related to the new bank account. A few names were mentioned but this matter will be discussed with the Executive Board first.

6.3 The need to attract younger, smarter people from outside to help with a number of tasks for RIAS (and IASA) was voiced again. For this end, a call was placed on IASA social media accounts.

6.4 Gabriela suggested that from now on all the World Congresses should have online presentation option and they should be planned as hybrid conferences.

6.5 Bilge has suggested for an updated list of members, which would be finalized after the 2022 World Congress to include the new members. She will be contacting former presidents for the previously existing list serve and working on the list.

7. Next IASA Board Meeting

The next IASA Board meeting is planned for September 2022 on Zoom platform. Bilge will be organizing the zoom meeting details once the date is set and notify other IASA Board officers.

The agenda will include the issues discussed above and more.