

MINUTES

IASA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2019 MEETING

DATE

Monday July, 8th 2019, 7.30 pm

ATTENDEES

President: Manuel Broncano (chairman for the meeting)
Forthcoming President: Manpreet Kaur Kang
Treasurer: José Antonio Gurpegui
Secretary: Elisa Serna Martínez
Giorgio Mariani
Gabriela Vargas
Alessandro Buffa
Vincenzo Bavaro
Other names?

AGENDA

1. Introductory remarks, Manuel Broncano, IASA President
2. Update of the registration of IASA in Spain
 - 2.1. The appointment for new Treasurer is to be held during the meeting.
 - 2.2. The President informs of the new bylaws to the Assembly.
 - 2.2.1. Present president and treasurer announce that the new bylaws of the association, written in Spanish and following the default bylaws established by the Spanish Ministry of Finance, should be approved now, for matters of simplicity. The bylaws may be subject to later modifications if needed.
 - 2.2.2. The bylaws are in Spanish but can be translated if needed.
 - 2.2.3. The Spanish Ministry of Finance requires the figure of a Secretary. Within the short time allowed for bureaucratic arrangements for the association, Elisa Serna Martínez was appointed Secretary in the new bylaws. Unfortunately, there was no time to communicate this vacant post to the assembly. The assembly is informed that, for future candidacies, the secretary will not need to be Spanish.
 - 2.2.4. Because the association though existing, has not been official for a period of time, before the establishment of the bylaws it was impossible to open a bank

account in the name of IASA. The bank account of the Franklin Institute was used instead. There is a surplus of around 5,000€.

3. Treasury report, Manuel B. and José Antonio Gurpegui, IASA Treasurer
 - 3.1. José Antonio Gurpegui will deposit the money from the Franklin Inst. account into the new IASA bank account ASAP
4. Report on RIAS, Giorgio Mariani, Editor-in-Chief
 - 4.1. The journal is in Scopus. In order to continue in Scopus, IASA needs to consolidate a few things: create contents, be intellectually active. He would like to consolidate all this before he retires.
 - 4.2. IASA needs a larger pool of peer-reviewers. He calls for members of the assembly to register as peer-reviewers. Peer-reviewers cannot be members of the editorial board.
 - 4.3. The new issue is out. Giorgio suggest to publish call for articles on social networks.
 - 4.4. The issues of the journal are usually built around the topics of the congresses. He would like to open it beyond the congress, as it looks like a domestic thing right now.
 - 4.5. How to be more innovative? He invites the assembly to be in touch, not only through articles, but with special issues, in order to attract younger, smart people from outside
 - 4.6. Giorgi states that this is a labor of love, but that we need some money if we want to do things professionally. Especially to pay for a copy editor and the publishing professionals who set up the journal. In order to get more resources, stronger support is needed, we need to consolidate our membership.
 - 4.7. A member (a woman (?)) of the assembly suggests moving the journal to the Open Library of the Humanities. This will enable IASA to save on publishing expenses. Giorgio is happy to hear this and suggests to discuss this further with her and that he will let Pablo know.
5. Report on new IASA website, José Antonio Gurpegui
 - 5.1. We need a new webmaster and volunteers are required for this. It is necessary to know the host being used for the website. José Antonio will put Elisa in contact with José, who will let her know about the host. Gabriela Vargas may volunteer with her students if they are acquainted with the host and can manage it.
6. Appointment of the new IASA President

- 6.1. Manpreet Kaur will be appointed new President as soon as interim President Manuel Broncano accomplishes the whole bureaucratic process for IASA to be formalized in Spain.
7. Appointment of the new IASA Vice-president
 - 7.1. Marietta Messmer is to hold the position of Vice-president
8. Renewal of IASA Executive Council
 - 8.1. The Executive Council (from the old bylaws) have voted for these positions. It is good that there is a continuation from the Executive Council members established in the old bylaws. But also, we need to replace those whose positions are to finish soon. There is not limit to the number of members of the Executive Council. We can suggest membership from different countries. The idea is to have plurality.
9. Venue for IASA 10th World Congress, 2021
 - 9.1. To be held in New Delhi in 2021. It will be in either February or October, if the Executive Council agrees with that.
10. Future strategies for IASA, financial and otherwise
 - 10.1. A call is made to be actively involved in the association.
 - 10.2. José Antonio Gurpegui resigns from his position as Treasurer, leaving behind a positive financial picture. It is advised that the new treasurer be Spanish, because the person needs to be learned in Spanish bureaucracy. Silvia Borrego is suggested as potential candidate, she is from the Universidad de Málaga. The members of the Executive Council abide by this position.
11. Other business
 - 11.1. None