

Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting Minutes · Monday, September 13, 2021 · 9:30 – 11:00 EST (US)

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 In attendance were President Michel Kallipetis, President-Elect Steve Paul, Vice President, Paul Van Osselaer, Secretary Jody Sin, Treasurer Jonathan Lloyd-Jones, Past-President Jon Fidler; Governors, Claude Amar, Barbara Cornish, Jeff Hand, Tat Lim, Denise Madigan, Douglas Murphy, Allan Stitt; Ex-Offios Chuck Doran, Tracy Allen, Jerry Weiss; Executive Director Richard Rejino & Administrator Carol Wilbur.

1. Welcome
President Michel Kallipetis welcomed all who were in attendance.
2. Approve Agenda
The agenda was approved as presented.
3. Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Virtual Conference Update
P Van Osselaer confirmed that programming for the symposiums is on schedule and continues to develop; that the theme *Mediation 2021 – Where Do We Go from Here*, has been adopted by all three conferences; and that an IT person has been retained to run the meetings. Furthermore, an SIR conference is scheduled for December 10. B Cornish added that the timing of each conference will be scheduled on local time but broad enough that members from other parts of the globe can attend.
5. Zurich Conference update – Richard/Carol
R Rejino summarized the report on the past non-North American conferences, noting that all three made a profit ranging from \$500 to \$17,000. He noted that the registration fee for Edinburgh was \$950 and if the same rate is used for Zurich, the loss would be minimal and a small profit possible (based on 125 registrations). J Fidler liked the projections based on the report. Tracy Allen noted that the conference should be affordably priced so that as many people can attend and that the IAM can absorb a loss if necessary. J Lloyd Jones – suggests James Peter needs to weigh in before a decision is made. S Paul asked to get a new hotel offer for review.
6. D&O Insurance Update
PVO recapped that the Canadian policy IAM had in 2020/2021 will not be renewed because of re-domestication from Canada to the United States and that a broker was selected to find a new carrier in the US. An offer from Great American was provided with worldwide coverage but with the provision that coverage only applied if a claim is made in US (and its territories) or Canada. Since then, a new quote was received from Philadelphia Insurance Company for \$1M without the limitation. P Van Osselaer recommended that IAM go with \$1m policy and that MCC call to bind it immediately. The broker will continue to shop around for excess policy.

A motion was made and seconded to give authority to the Executive Director to bind the Philadelphia Policy \$1088 USD premium as soon as possible. The motion passed unanimously.

It was decided there would be an email vote on the excess policy when we receive it.

7. Allocation Committee – by law changes – Jonathan/Steve
S Paul – thanked the board for responding to the email vote for the resource allocation committee language.

A motion was made and seconded to confirm the vote by email on Sept 7, which was approved unanimously to amend the bylaws with the new Resource Allocation Committee language. The motion to confirm passed unanimously.

8. Allocation Committee – selection of committee members
M Kallipetis proposed that the committee make recommendations to the board for purposes of discussion and approval; furthermore, he suggested that the committee should have as few board members as possible for the sake of independence. C Doran advocated that the Board makes the final decision, but that the Allocation Committee makes decisions on distribution of funds after and with member input.

A motion was made and seconded for the Board to appoint the Allocation Committee and to have the committee draft a mission statement when a final decision is made. The motion passed unanimously.

M Kallipetis outlined the committee members to be the President and Treasurer as ex-officio members; a past president and one Distinguished Fellow with 5 years of membership and a Distinguished Fellow with 2 years of membership. J Fidler suggested that the Executive Committee propose a slate of committee members for consideration. The board agreed.

9. Membership Committee New Member Coffee Hour –
The date for the New Member Coffee Hour has been scheduled for Friday, October 15 at 12:00 PM EST US/Canadian. The board agreed this was an excellent idea to bring everyone together.
10. Next meeting is scheduled November 8th.

Regarding the Website: J Lloyd-Jones noted that the IAM website is entirely in English and that making it translatable is essential; furthermore, he advised a professional should look at the website to evaluate its effectiveness and that a sub-committee be formed to seek out quotes and report back to the board. It was consensus of the board that J Lloyd Jones, P Van Osselaer, C Doran, and C Masters be on the sub-committee.

The meeting was adjourned. At 10:33 AM.