

IASPM Executive Committee

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Saturday 24 May 2015

Present: Goffredo Plastino, Laura Jordán, Alejandro Madrid, Martha Ulhoa, Ed Montano, Sue Miller

Absent: Sara Jansson

Chair: Goffredo Plastino

Minutes: Sue Miller

Pre-agenda

SM alerted the committee to the fact that the iaspm.net website was not working; EM and GP confirmed all had been working, but today the server may be down; EM emailed the host to confirm. GP confirmed the conference website is <https://18iaspm.wordpress.com>.

SM observed that no mention of the conference was on the UK branch site and GP stated that usually this happened once the final conference program was out (on 31 May the programme will be finished and information on this will be emailed and branches should be requested to disseminate).

1. Defining IASPM 2015 AGM Agenda

Call to order

Election of the Meeting Chair: MU confirmed that the meeting chair was selected by the EC to chair and the AGM attendees asked to approve via “any objections?”.

Approval of the 2013 Minutes: MU the minutes of the last conference were displayed on-screen and approved via a request to attendees (“approved?”).

Election of Auditors: MU stated that LJ (or SM?) needs to select two members for nomination outside the exec committee prior to the AGM and a vote of confidence sought from the AGM attendees in the AGM. LJ: Auditors will check through the documents but no specific accounting experience is required of these Auditors.

Election of Electoral Officers: MU stated that SM needs to select two members for nomination outside the EC at the conference, but prior to the AGM and that a vote of confidence will be sought from the attendees in the AGM meeting.

GP: raised the issue of proxy voting for EC nominations as raised by Rupert Till on the IASPM list. GP

has emailed the procedure on proxy voting to the IASPM list.

GP: No "Motions to Change the Statutes and Rules of Procedure" is at the moment included in the agenda as none have been received.

2. EC Report 2013-2015

This includes an EC Report, Membership Secretary Report, Treasurer's Report, and a Web/Publications Officer Report.

GP: there was no Chair report in 2013 but asked if one was needed for 2015 and that he was happy to do so. All agreed that would be good and that all reports would be compiled into one document by GP (SM agreed to liaise) with details of accounts in a separate document.

GP: All reports needs to be completed two weeks before the conference and posted on the website in the week commencing 15 June 2015.

MU stated that the detailed accounts needed to be separate from the main report.

GP set a deadline for our reports to reach him via email of 12 June 2015. GP requested word document format.

GP: The IASPM 2015 Conference Report and IASPM Branch Chairs Meeting Report will take place separately. The IASPM branch chairs meeting will be attended by SM and GP and they will then summarise the issues discussed for a separate agenda item at the AGM.

SM stated it would be good to make the branches links strong for inclusivity.

GP: The branch chairs meeting will be slotted into the final conference programme.

MU asked EM if we can send information on this to the chairs list.

3. IASPM@Journal

GP asked about the editor position of the IASPM journal and MU recommended talking to the editor at the conference to summarise issues and ideas. There will be a laspm@Journal meeting at the conference.

GP said he would talk to the editor about her report.

4. Conference Proceedings

GP will summarise the main issues raised in his chair report and ask for effective, reliable and practicable solutions.

MU suggested EM do a plain report as a web publications officer so that discussion re publication of abstracts rather than proceedings can be discussed prior to the AGM.

GP confirmed that our report would be posted before the conference and that he will repeat the main issues in his general report for clarity.

5. Book Prize

GP: Franco Fabbri will report on this.

6. Next IASPM International Conference

GP: Proposal for 2017 Germany from Jan Hemming who will send a formal document by 2 June 2015. A proposal for 2019 has been formally proposed by the ANZ branch. Should we post this before the conference or announce and discuss at the AGM?

MU, AM and EM stated that this should be at the AGM but that after the conference both proposals should be posted on the website.

7. Election of the next EC

SM stated that at the moment only Philip Tagg had put in a nomination (for GP to continue as chair and SM to continue as General Secretary). SM asked if a reminder could be sent on the IASPM list as the deadline of 29 May is fast approaching.

AM asked who wanted to remain on the EC as he will be stepping down as Membership Secretary.

MU also said she would be standing down as Member at Large and suggested Jan Hemming as a possible nomination for this role.

LJ asked if GP or SM would consider changing role to treasurer and both declined as they felt they did not have the required expertise. LJ and MU said it would be good to find a UK-based treasurer as the account is based there.

GP observed that if after the deadline the EC does not have the required nominations to fill the posts, then we should email him our suggestions for the roles so he can compile a list of potential candidates and then invite them to take the positions in 2015-17.

SM confirmed that these invites would be post the nomination deadline.

SM said she would be happy to stand down if there were other nominations for General Secretary but would fulfill the role if no other nominees are put forward.

EM said he had not decided yet but if he were to stand down has someone in mind to nominate.

MU: reminded the committee that a Swedish Member at Large is required and that we need to ask Sara Jansson to suggest someone or to email the Norden branch Chair for suggestions.

GP to post a reminder that nominations need to be sent to the General Secretary SM before the deadline and then, post deadline, if no nominations are made for vacant posts to compile a list of people to ask so he can contact them directly.

8. AOB

GP asked about how the report was shown at the AGM.

MU confirmed that the report was displayed on screen (alongside the 2013 Gijón minutes).

GP confirmed that the EC report would be posted on the list and on the IASPM website two weeks before the conference.

MU reported on her discussions with Rafael dos Santos:

Rafael told her that all panels are now complete and that where there were panels consisting of two papers they have either been amalgamated with another 2 panel session, or an additional paper has been added to make a 3 paper panel up. This is due to presenters withdrawing. A programme draft will be edited next week and a draft sent to us on Tuesday. All will be ready for the website by 1 June 2015. LJ needs to send the details of our travel costs and we are reminded to send Anna Ferreira, the conference manager, our arrival times so she can organise transfers.

GP: we need to proofread the draft program before the final version posted on 1 June.

GP: we need to thank Rafael at the AGM for his great achievement in getting funding (saving IASPM funds) – all has been very well done.

EM said that he does not seem to have all the minutes on the website. GP has all the minutes and will edit those done by SM and send all through to him to post.