

**Minutes of IFCA Board Meeting** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Thursday, 11 December 2008, 16:00 GMT.**  
**By Conference Call.**

**Present:** Jon Callas, Director, Chair  
Ray Hirschfeld, Director, Treasurer  
Andrew Patrick, Director, Vice-President  
Burton Rosenberg, Director, Secretary

**Minutes**

- Meeting called to order 16:14 GMT.
- Ray moves to accept minutes of last meeting, modulo changes, Burt seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
- **Review of Action Items:**
- Ray to close FC07 and FC06 budgets in progress.
- Ray worries it may be difficult to get sponsorship from Everbank, considering general economic situation.
- Jon speaking with nCipher for sponsorship is in progress.
- Ray to speak with Tyler about RSA sponsorship is in progress.
- Burt to get information on St. Martin for FC11 or future is in progress.
- Ray to contact local arrangements committee for FC10 about Morocco day trip is in progress.
- Ray contacted Dan Schutzer on exchange of fee waivers. FSTC will not attend FC09, however Ray is interested in Burt attending FSTC in March to establish a working relationship between conferences or participants.
- *Ray moves:* To fund Burt's travel to FSTC workshop in Sarasota, Florida, in March. Andrew seconds. Unanimous, motion passes.
- Ray sent out reconciled FC08 budget and proposed FC09 budget. Ray has a revised FC09 to send out, responding to Andrew's comments.
- **FC09:**
- Andrew would like to know about paper acceptance numbers. [More about that later.]
- Andrew asked about IFCA support for conference attendance by directors, PC and GC. IFCA has typically paid room and/or travel, and given a registration waiver. The FC budget bears the weight of this so all directors endeavor to find other support.

- Ray informs board that Tyler has signed a contract. Tyler has presented two budgets. At the current registration fees the budget is \$2700 in deficit. He asks consideration of a proposal to raise fees by \$50 for each class of registration, reducing the projected shortfall. Andrew thinks dues are high enough; Jon concurs with respect to academic and student fees. It is informally decided that Ray should inform Tyler to go with the budget at the original fee structure.
- Returning to number of accepted papers, Jon suggests keeping an eye on raising the number in order to drive attendance. Ray points out that traditionally the schedule, including presentation lengths and paper count, is entirely a PC prerogative (within given time and budget constraints). Phillippe emails that of 91 submissions 20 long papers, 1 short paper, and 1 panel were accepted.
- *Action Item:* Andrew to ask PC's Roger Dingledine and Philippe Golle if they were happy about the acceptance cut-off.
- **FC10:**
- New news from Tenerife: Gran Tacande has come forward with a better deal than the Sheraton. Conversely the Sheraton negotiations have been disappointing. The numbers for the Gran Tacande are 175 Euros for double, 153 Euros for a single, and conference room will be free. There was some discussion about the merits of the Gran Tacande versus the Sheraton. Andrew reads Trip Advisor.
- *Action Item:* Ray to ask Tenerife local arrangements committee to proceed investigating the best deal, including the Gran Tacande.
- **New business:**
- Ray would like to talk about whether IFCA should be more than just the conference. Jon and Andrew think we should first toss ideas around in email, and then follow up with the membership in informal chit-chat's. Ray will think about getting us to think about thinking about this.
- **Concluding business:**
- Next meeting set for Thursday, 15 January 2009 at 17:00 GMT.
- Ray moves to adjourn, Jon seconds, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 17:03 GMT.

## **Appendix: Agenda**

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1. Approve minutes
2. Action items
3. FC09
4. FC10
5. New business
6. Concluding business

## **Appendix: Open Action Items**

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1. Ray: FC07 and FC06 budgets to close.
2. Ray to contact Frank Trotter for Everbank concerning FC09 sponsorship.
3. Jon to contact nCipher concerning FC09 sponsorship.
4. Ray to ask Tyler to contact RSA concerning FC09 sponsorship.
5. Burt to get information on St. Martin for FC11 or future.
6. Ray to contact FC10 local arrangements committee about a day trip to Morocco.
7. Andrew to ask PC's Roger Dingleline and Philippe Golle if they were happy about the acceptance cut-off.
8. Ray to ask Tenerife local arrangements committee to proceed investigating the best deal, including the Gran Tacande.

## **End of Minutes**

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