

**Minutes of IFCA Board Meeting**  
**Monday, March 13, 2017, 12:00 EDT.**  
**By Conference Call**

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**Present:** Ray Hirschfeld, Director, Treasurer, Chair  
Joe Bonneau, Director  
Burton Rosenberg, Director, Secretary  
Moti Yung, Director, President

**Opening**

- Meeting called to order, 12:00 EDT.
- For this meeting, Joe will take notes, Burt will combine with audio notes, and Burt to write up minutes. Matt joined the call but had to leave. Review of minutes from previous meeting postponed until corrected minutes are email to the directors list, then approved if no objections.
- It was clarified that Matthew is to approach the European Commission for funding.

**Review of Action Items**

- The directors to develop a mechanism for handling press releases. To reassign.
- To add an Assistant Editor to help finish the FC16 proceedings. On today's agenda.
- Ray to apply for ONRG funding. Done.
- Burt to contact the NSF for funding. On going.
- Joe to approach Z Cash to sponsor. Done
- Matthew to explore sponsorship by the European Commission. On going.
- Ray to call or cancel March 9th meeting. Done.
- Burt to post minutes of previous meeting to list. Done.

**FC16 Barbados**

- *Action Item:* Ray to ask Bart by email, with CC to Moti, for a date that Moti can announce at the FC17 by which will be completed the FC16 conference proceedings.

**FC17 Malta:**

- As of March 12, there were 131 registrants.
- Sponsorship is below budget, with only 7,000 Euros of committed sponsorship.

- There were 21 requests for student funding. The ONRG funding is not decided, and only a small amount remains in the NSF funding. Strategies to stretch the dollars were discussed.
- Moti and Matthew will not stand for reelection to directors. Ray suggested that we elect no further directors, rather elect to the new steering committee.
- Board, or Steering Committee, openings should be announced as early as possible during the conference, and certainly well ahead of the GC.
- Moti recommends that people chosen as directors and steering committee members should have solid consistent contributions in the field, and that the committee have someone with the title president, chair, or some similar title.
- Ray presents the three final location proposals for FC18. Ray gives the reasons for his preference for the Santa Barbara in Curacao.
- Ray discussed whether the board or the membership should make the final decision for the FC18 location. The board feels that the membership has already given the board the responsibility for final decision, according to the discussions and votes made in the previous FC.
- The board plans to meet on Sunday afternoon in Malta before the Welcome Reception.

#### **FC18 Aruba/Curacao/St. Maarten:**

- *See location discussion, under FC17 agenda item.*

#### **IFCA corporate/association business**

- *See discussion under FC17 agenda item for director/steering committee nominations.*

#### **New and concluding business:**

- *See meeting date discussion under FC17 agenda item.*
- Meeting adjourned at 12:52 PM EDT

#### **Appendix: Agenda**

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- minutes of previous meeting(s)
- review of action items
- report of activities this period
- FC16 Barbados  
proceedings
- FC17 Malta

- registration
- sponsorship
- student stipends
- FC18 Aruba/Curacao proposals
- IFCA corporate/association business foundation transition
- director/steering committee nominations
- new and concluding business
- next meeting date

## Appendix: Activities of Directors

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### \* Ray's Activities:

- contacted WorldPay about EUR settlement
- contacted Bitpay about EUR settlement
- contacted Tyler Moore about FC18 PC
- contacted Ian Goldberg about FC18 PC
- followed up with Bart Preneel about FC16 proceedings
- discussed IOHK sponsorship with Aggelos Kiayias
- discussed Blockstream sponsorship with Adam Back
- continued discussion of FC17 T-shirt design and production with Francesca Hall of Blockstream
- prepared and submitted ONRG grant proposal
- worked out Oxford University Press sponsorship details
- posted list of accepted papers on FC17 website
- put up student grants page on FC17 website
- sent out call for participation
- sent attendee invitation letters and assisted with visa issues
- discussed (with other directors) travel ban policy
- site inspection visit of Curacao
- preliminary negotiation of FC18 offers
- resolved attendee registration and payment problems
- put up program page on FC17 website
- attended Meetings Africa trade fair in Johannesburg
- site inspection visit of Mauritius
- submitted Google sponsorship form
- followed up with potential sponsors
- contacted FC16 sponsors about sponsoring FC17
- discussed FC17 activities with Blockstream and Malta DMC

- discussed design and production of FC17 badges and printed program with Francesca Hall of Blockstream
- followed up with Bailey Reutzell about FC17 press pass
- usual treasurer and chair duties

\* Burt's Activities:

- normal duties of secretary and director.

\* Matt's Activities:

- normal duties of vice-president and director.

\* Moti's Activities:

- normal duties of president and director.

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**End of Minutes** \_\_\_\_\_