

Minutes of IFCA Board Meeting
Tuesday 28 December 2010, 17:00 GMT.
By Conference Call.

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

Minutes

- Meeting called to order 17:00 GMT/12:00 EST.
- Ray moves to accept minutes of prior meeting; Jon seconds; all in favor, motion passes.

Review of Action Items

- Ray to close FC10 budget.
- Burt still to re-quote insurance, Ray has spoken to an insurer and will brief Burt.
- Andrew's follow up with Dan Schutzer and John Fricke of FSTC/BITS has been passed to Sven.
- Sven has contacted BITS, and has spoken to them on behalf of Andrew.
- Burt is preparing to run IFCA elections at the next AGM.

FC11 St. Lucia

- Andrew asks whether the conference fee government employees should correspond to the corporate or the academic schedule. The board generally considers corporate the correct rate, with Ray noting that the corporate rate was the usual rule, except in specific cases where another rate was more appropriate.
- The approved budget includes costs for hotel of IFCA directors for 6 nights. Budgeting in this way allowed Steven to put the Thursday half-day excursion on the conference budget. It seemed that the concerned directors were comfortable with paying for additional nights on their own if necessary.
- The first director meeting in St. Lucia will be on Sunday, 27 February, at lunch time.
- The directors will also meet on Wednesday, 2 March, before the barbecue.

- There was a discussion about advertising . Andrew expressed interest in expanding the IFCA page on Wikipedia. Andrew has started a LinkedIn event for FC11, and the directors were requested to all join that event. Jon created a Facebook event for FC11.
- Andrew reported on the results of the Google Ads experiment. He has suspended the ads until the registration system is running.
- The directors will ask the conference organizers to join the January board meeting.

FSTC/BITS

- FSTC has said that it will not attend FC11.
- The board discussed placing an IFCA member on the FSTC Advisory Council. As the council meets in Washington, D.C., Sven might be able to attend. Andrew will handle this.
- FSTC will have a meeting in Miami, May 2 – 4 at the Fairmount Turnbury Isle Resort and Club. There is interest in having Burt attend this meeting, as he lives in Miami.

Future FC's

- Ray has sent around links for possible FC12 locations, in Okinawa, Krabi, and Hua Hin.
- Advantages of the Okinawa location is that Kazue had already agreed to be general chair; there would be a large Japanese participation. The disadvantage is weather: it can be cold, even in March, and the beach might not yet be open.
- Advantages of Thailand are the weather; it might be cheaper; and it was favored by the membership in the General Meeting straw poll.
- *Action Item:* Directors to read links, to discuss locations at next meeting.
- Ray will try to get quotes for the locations.

New and concluding business

- Next meeting is set for Thursday, 13 January, at 12:00 EST, 17:00 GMT.
- The chair, hearing no objection, adjourns meeting at 12:49 EST, 17:49 GMT.

Appendix: Agenda _____

1. Review of action items
2. FC11 St Lucia
3. FTSC/BITS
4. Future FC's
5. New and concluding business

Appendix: Open Action Items _____

1. Ray to close FC10 budget.
2. Ray and Burt to discuss liability insurance quote.
3. Burt to quote liability insurance.
4. Andrew to move forward on getting Sven on the FSTC Advisory Council.
5. Directors to read the FC12 location materials that Ray distributed.

End of Minutes _____