

## **Annual General Meeting 2010**

Friday, 9 April 2010

12:40-1:30 | Room 2 | International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG), Geneva, Switzerland

Attendance: +/-125

**1. Welcome, introductions, and confirmation of 2010 AGM minutes.** President Nick Taylor opened the meeting at 12:45, welcomed attendees, introduced and thanked Board members. Members endorsed the minutes of the 2009 AGM by a show of hands.

**2. What have we done and where are we going?** Taylor presented some highlights of the annual report, including the organization's structure, the presence and purpose of the Strategic Action Plan, and reiteration that all of IAIA's organizational leaders are volunteers. Taylor then reviewed upcoming meetings and conferences, the amount of activity happening in a year that is not related to the annual conferences, membership statistics, communication efforts, and web site development

**3. Money matters.** (See the annual report for financial overview.) Treasurer Wes Fisher commented that overall IAIA is in good financial shape, with careful oversight of expenses, both operational and conference-related, in the general economic downturn, and noted IAIA's continued dependence on registration and corporate sponsorship of conferences. Members endorsed the financial statements by a show of hands.

**4. IAIA Presents Excellence: Rose-Hulman and Outstanding Service Award.** (See the 2010 awards program for full listing of award recipients.)

On behalf of the Awards Committee, Anne Miller presented Charlotte Bingham with the Rose-Hulman Award and Peter Leonard with the Outstanding Service Award.

**5. Any debate?** No items submitted.

**6. Have your say: Information discussion of matters that members wish to raise.** AQEI is seeking partners with financial and other resources for a database project.

John Boyle noted the establishment of the endowment fund and suggested that corporates want to contribute to specific project, also suggesting that an endowment fund also be established for capacity building and the interest be spent on capacity building. Taylor agreed that we need to build commitment to capacity building.

Bernice Goldsmith recalled that the past presidents' group may be able to help with the creation of the endowment fund.

Angus Morrison-Saunders suggested that IAIA conduct a writing/mentoring project to help people publish their stories in the journal and was willing to spearhead it.

Lea den Broeder invited members to meet at lunch to discuss social media options for IAIA.

AQEI is also providing a monetary award for students; this idea could possibly be done at the university level and in developing countries, or as a sponsor for travel and expenses for professionals from developing countries.

**7. Closing remarks.** Taylor reminded everyone of the Council meeting and encouraged all Committee, Section, Affiliate representatives, and members to attend and give us your feedback. It is appreciated

and the Board takes note of what you have to say. We are a voluntary organization that relies on our social capital; thanks to those who have made that effort in the last year

Taylor closed the meeting at 1:40.