

2013 IAPS Annual General Meeting

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1. **IAPS Annual General Meeting Agenda. Saturday September 7. 2013 Fullerton, California.**

1. **Recognition of Officers [incoming in brackets]**

1. Welcome Officers: [Incoming officers/committee members in brackets].
 - a. President. Carwyn Jones [Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza].
 - b. Conference Chair: Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza [appointment].
 - c. Elections Chair: Mike Austin
 - d. Secretary Treasurer: Charlene Weaving
 - e. Journal Editor: John Russell
 - f. Newsletter editor: Sharon Stoll [renewing]
 - g. Members at large (odd) Joan Forry, Dennis Hemphill [Teresa Lacerda & Chad Carlson]
 - h. Members at large (even). Lisa Edwards, Pam Sailors
 - i. Webmaster: Emily Ryall.
 - j. Special thanks for the dedicated service of outgoing officers.

2. **Confirmation of Agenda.**

3. **Confirmation from minutes from September 15 2012 Porto, Portugal.**

4. **Summary of Reports and questions.**
 - a. President. Carwyn Jones (*leads question/answer based on reports distributed Aug 21. 2013*).

5. **Update on Matters Arising from Previous Meeting.**
 - a. IAPS Archival Project update (Peter Hopsicker + Chad Carlson)

6. **New Matters**
 - a. Items from the executive meeting.

7. **Other Items/Business.**
 - a. Acknowledgement of IAPS member's participations in APA conferences + Philosophy World Congress.
 - b. 2014 conference presentation.

8. **Presentation of Awards**
 - a) R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award Winner
 - b) Student travel grant recipients
 - c) Distinguished Scholar Award announcement
 - d) Distinguished Service Award recipient

2. IAPS Annual General Business Meeting Minutes Saturday, September 15 2012 Porto, Portugal (6:10pm-7:05pm) *65 in attendance*

Meeting called to order: Carwyn Jones

1. **Welcome and Recognition of Officers** [incoming officers/committee members in brackets]
 - a. President. Carwyn Jones.
 - b. Conference Chair: Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza [renewing].
 - c. Elections Chair: Mike Austin [renewing].
 - d. Secretary Treasurer: Charlene Weaving [renewing].
 - e. Journal Editor: John Russell [renewing]
 - f. Newsletter editor: Sharon Stoll.
 - g. Members at large (odd) Masami Sekine, Sarah Teetzel [Lisa Edwards, Pam Sailors]
 - h. Members at large (even) Joan Forry, Dennis Hemphill.
 - i. Webmaster: Emily Ryall.

2. **Confirmation of agenda**

Confirmation of Minutes from previous meeting, September 10, 2011 in Rochester New York. Moved (Doug McLaughlin). Seconded (Leslie Howe). Approved.

3. Officer and Committee Reports

- a. **President:** Carwyn Jones
 - i. Thanked Cesar Torres, Charlene Weaving and members of the executive for their continued work for the association and assistance.
 - ii. Acknowledged incoming and outgoing officers.
 - iii. Thanked the IAPS 2012 conference organizing committee and exceptional volunteers.

- b. **Conference Chair:** Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza
 - i. Thanked the 2012 conference organizers.
 - ii. Reported on conference statistics (specific details to come in October newsletter).
 - iii. Discussed the quality of abstracts and review process.
 - iv. Discussed the strong student representation (travel grants were distributed).
 - v. Outlined the success of the R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award competition and presented award winner Colleen English with a certificate.
 - vi. Thanked all members for their participation at the conference.
 - vii. Asked members to provide suggestions of where to advertise for a call of papers to reach even more individuals and requested specific feedback on the conference program.
 - viii. Carwyn Jones thanked Jesús for his excellent work on the conference program.

- c. **Elections Chair:** Mike Austin (Carwyn Jones)
 - i. Discussed the much improved voter turnout because of the incorporation of Monkey Survey.
 - ii. Encouraged members to run for office.

- d. **Secretary-Treasurer:** Charlene Weaving
 - i. Outlined budget for 2011-2012.
 - ii. Discussed how the Executive Council had to put on hold the creation of the strategic plan for IAPS in lieu of the transition to Routledge (2011-2012).

- iii. Reported that Routledge invoiced IAPS (during the conference) for the subscription fees prior to January 2012 (37, 738\$ USD), and the revised numbers were given. Total cash in hand = **33,354.62 \$ USD.**

- e. **Journal Editor:** John Russell
 - i. The new contract with Routledge was discussed and the quality of the journal was outlined. John thanked Cesar Torres and Charlene Weaving for their work during contract negotiations and the transition period.

 - i. Discussed time in review for articles.
 - ii. Indicated the increase size of the editorial board (constitutional amendment).
 - iii. Encouraged members to provide feedback.
 - iv. Carwyn thanked John for his continued work as Editor of *JPS*.

- f. **Newsletter Editor:** Sharon Stoll (Carwyn Jones)

- g. **Webmaster:** Emily Ryall (Carwyn Jones)
 - i. Reported that the Executive approved the website domain name transfer.
 - ii. Encouraged members to use Facebook and Twitter.

- h. **Honors, Awards, and Future Sites:** Joan Forry (Carwyn Jones)
 - a. Announced dates of the 2013 conference, Sep 4-8 2012 in California.
 - b. Encouraged members to submit conference site proposals.

- 4. **Update on Matters Arising from Previous Meeting** (Carwyn Jones)
 - b. Heather Reid provided an update on the 2013 World Philosophy Congress in Athens.
 - c. **Amendments to the Constitution**
 - 1) Carwyn thanked the ad hoc committee: Pam Sailors (chair), Leslie Howe, Scott Kretchmar, and Vegard Moe for their outstanding work on this project.
 - 2) Pam Sailors outlined the further amendments to the constitution, specifically changing USA legal speak to Canadian terms (Article 1) since IAPS is now incorporated under the name IAPS Projects Inc. in Canada.
 - 3) John Russell (Moved) and Jim Parry (Seconded), to move forward with the amendment process (2/3rds of members voted in favour).
 - 4) The revised constitution will be sent out to members for blanket approval via Survey Monkey and the amended constitution will be in effect January 1. 2013.
 - d. Outlined the presence of IAPS at the APA Sessions in 2012-2013.
 - e. Announced that the Executive approved funding for travel for IAPS ICCPE representative (Cesar Torres).

- 5. **New Matters** (Carwyn Jones)

Note: most of the new matters were discussed in Officer and Committee Reports.

 - a. Outlined that an IAPS Archive project has been approved by the Executive. This project is spearheaded by Chad Carlson and Peter Hopsicker
 - b. Reported that Gregg Twietmeyer is interested in organizing a professor exchange program. Interested members should contact Gregg.

- 6. **Announcements** (Carwyn Jones)
 - a. 41th IAPS annual conference awarded to Cal State Fullerton University, California.
 - b. Presented John Russell with the IAPS Distinguished Service Award.

- 7. **Other Business**
 - a. John Gleaves presented information on the 2013 upcoming conference.
 - b. Representative from Brazil announced their interest in hosting IAPS in 2014.
 - c. Carwyn acknowledged and congratulated the 2nd IAPS wedding pair: Jim and Irene ☺
 - d. Carwyn thanked conference participants and organizers for a very successful conference.

3. President's Report

Thanks to all the members of the committee for their service this year in executing their respective roles. It has been a privilege working with you and the commitment of individuals to the association is extraordinary. It appears to have been another productive and exciting year for the philosophy of sport in general and for IAPS in particular. Following on from the excellent conference in Portugal 2012 the momentum has been maintained.

(more details in reports)

- The appointment of Pam Sailors to oversee constitutional matters including the updating of constitution has been a success and I thank her for her work throughout the year.
- Healthy growth in membership particularly among students and a robust financial situation. Thanks to Charlene Weaving for her efforts around membership. May I encourage members to renew membership in November 2013 for 2014.
- Our healthy bank balance has allowed us to be generous with the student travel award (31). It is great to see the number of students attending which bodes well for the association's future. Thanks to all who contributed to the travel fund via our online facility.
- The transition to Routledge now seems to be bedded in.
- New voting system has once again proved successful with a good turnout in the elections.
- 2014 Conference to be held in Brazil.
- Website has been transferred and Emily Ryall continues to work to increase our profile via the website and social media.
- Thanks to Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza, John Gleaves, Matthew Llewellyn and members at large for their work in putting together a great programme and another successful conference.
- Thanks to Doug McLaughlin, Mike Austin and Joan Forry for organizing IAPS representation at APA (Eastern, Central and Western).
- Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza and Heather Reid attended the World Congress on Philosophy in Athens.

Welcome and congratulations to all the new officers who take up their roles as of the end of this conference. Thanks to those who are leaving or changing roles for all your hard work during your tenure.

I'm delighted to be handing over the duties of president to a gentleman and a scholar whose commitment and efforts to IAPS over the years has been exemplary.

5. Secretary-Treasurer Report 2012-2013

Membership breakdown

*As of August 20 2013, there are **154 IAPS members**.

*IAPS has 60 student members [38 (w/o journal), 22 (inclusive of journal)].

USA	82
Asia	16
Europe	17
Canada	14
Scandinavia	10
UK	10
Australia +NZ	3
S. America	2
TOTAL	154

Note:

In the March 2013 Newsletter, I reported that membership numbers reached 163. However, on August 4, I was informed by Human Kinetics that they had a glitch in their online management computer system which resulted in 'incorrect' lists for the past year (2013). Specifically, 34 individuals were listed as members when in reality had not renewed since January-April 2012. These 'members' were contacted and the situation was explained. They were asked to renew in good faith and collegiality for 2013 given that they had received *JPS* issues as well as access to voting for IAPS elections.

*Currently, 11 out of the 34 have renewed.

Human Kinetics has requested that IAPS members be reminded that our membership dues operate on a calendar year basis, i.e. **January 1st 2014** through to **December 31 2014** is the upcoming membership period for 2014. Members will receive renewal notices beginning November 2013 for the 2014 membership year.

Investments

The original IAPS 2009 GIC investment matured and was deposited into the IAPS main account in early January 2013. In the summer of 2013, IAPS invested 50,045.99 into a Scotia U.S. Bond Fund.

Student Travel Funds

The facilitation of online donation to the student travel award has generated a substantial number of donations totaling \$1575 USD. At the California meeting, there will be 31 student presenters who applied and qualified for the IAPS Student Travel Award. They have each received \$250 USD to assist with their travels. [Cal State Fullerton Students- 3# will receive \$75 USD each]. The IAPS Executive recognizes the value of student

participation at annual meetings and more importantly the need to provide financial support for students. IAPS is also sponsoring an informative luncheon for students at this conference.

Finances Numbers¹

IAPS balance (Aug 20 2012) =	71,092.66
IAPS income (Aug 31 2012-Aug 20 2013) =	76,615.40
IAPS Expenditures (Aug 31 2012- Aug 20 2013)=	54,504.91
IAPS Investments (Summer 2013) =	50,045.99

TOTAL of IAPS Funds (cash in hand, excluding investments) = 43,157.66

GRAND TOTAL IAPS FUNDS=	93,203.15
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¹ For specific financial budget breakdown see the following page.

IAPS 2012-2013 BUDGET BREAKDOWN		
OPENING BALANCE AUG 31 2012	71,092.66	
Human Kinetics IAPS Membership Payments (2012-2013)	2012-2013	2011-2012
August 1- 31 2012	190	
September 1-31 2012	120	
October 1-31 2012	232	
November 1-30 2012	182	
December 1-31 2012	2,609.00	
January 1-31 2013	958	
February 1-28 2013	274	
March 1-31 2013	538	
April 1-30, 2013	569	
May 1-31, 2013	226	
June 1-31, 2013	338	
TOTAL FROM HK MEMBERSHIP PAYMENTS	6,236	6,714
Student Travel Award Donations (Past Presidents)	600	
Online donations via IAPS renewals (student awards)	1025	1165
ROUTLEDGE PAYMENTS 2012-2013		
Routledge payment # 1 Oct 3rd 2012	37,493.52	
Routledge payment # 2 January 24th, Editorial Expenses	7,200.00	
Routledge payment # 3, January 24th, Advance Royalty	3,060.00	
Routledge payment # 4, February 1. 2013	10,513.14	
GIC Investment Matured, deposited December 4, 2012	10487.74	
TOTAL INCOME FOR 2012-2013	76,615.40	85,929
EXPENSES 2012-2013		
Membership Dues + Online management		
HK Online Membership Services/Management	300	
ICSSPE 2013 Membership Fee (251 Euros)	353.92	
FISP Membership 2011-2012-2013	0	
IAPS Website domain name transfer (1 year subscription)	42.42	
TOTAL Membership Dues + Online management	696.34	1507.72
Conference Related Expenses (awards +grants)		
2012 JPS Editors Conference Expenses Reimbursements	1562.5	
2013 Student Travel Fund # 28 X 250 USD + 3 X 75	7225	
Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award Prize \$ 2012 + 2013	500	
2013 Conference Grant for CSFU	1000	
Conference Registration 2012 + 2013 for SKSEA	258.11	
IAPS Plaques for Award Winners	154.69	
IAPS Student Luncheon Sponsorship (estimate)	2500	
ICSSPE Conference Contribution for IAPS Rep	2500	
TOTAL COSTS RE: Conference Related Expenses	15700.3	6644.87
Costs Affiliated with transition to Routledge		
JPS Subscription List Funds transfer HK-IAPS-Routledge (Sep 2012)	37,738	
2012-2013 lawyer fees (Inc.annual bills)	204.51	
Bank Account Service Charges	165.76	
TOTAL COSTS AFFILIATED WITH TRANSITION TO ROUTLEDGE	38,108	14,043.45

TOTAL EXPENDITURE 2012-2013	54,504.91	2296.24
INVESTEMENTS	"value"	"value"
Non-redeemable GIC (no risk, flat rate) 3 yrs, 1.225 % rate~ 12,000	Matured 2012	10,097.72
USD Bond Fund (yearly avg 1.9 return)- invested 5,000	Cashed in 2011	45.49
Scotia US Dollar Bond Fund (yearly avg 2% return)-invested 50,045.49	50,045.49	
*Summer 2013		
TOTAL INVESTMENTS =	50,045.49	
TOTAL OF IAPS FUNDS (Cash in hand) excluding inv.	43,157.66	71,092.66
GRAND TOTAL of IAPS FUNDS	93,203.15	81,235.66

6. JPS Editor's Report

1. Submission Statistics

This report covers the twelve months from August 20, 2012 to August 19, 2013. Here are the basic stats for this year and from the reports from the past few years:

	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009
New Articles Submitted	60	68	52	57	54
Re-submitted Articles	24	10	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported
Accepted Articles	24	27	19	21	13
Book Reviews	4	4	6	4	5

New submissions are down a bit this year, but are compensated in part by the number of papers where re-submissions have been invited. Re-submissions are usually from papers that have been reviewed in the last 18 months. Because of the number of re-submissions, the acceptance rate, not including invited papers, is unusually high this year - 46% versus our usual rate of between 25-35%. I expect this to be an anomaly. I am becoming quite a bit more demanding about what papers I will invite for re-submission. If reviewers return requests for "major revisions" or "reject and resubmit," I frequently reject these papers unless there is very clear promise in them. Often these papers do not show sufficient familiarity with the relevant published literature. I am not giving many of these a second chance now.

I note that we have a backlog of about 10 papers, or just more than one issue. However, papers are now being published on-line shortly after they are accepted. We should discuss the backlog at the executive and editorial board meetings. See item 3 for one proposal for dealing with the backlog. I am also thinking that we should adopt some policy about paper lengths. I have been encouraging shorter papers, and in some cases insisting on substantial reductions. Some journals have hard and fast rules about length. I would be interested in comments from the executive, the editorial board, and IAPS members. Greater demand for pages in the journal than there is supply poses a classic problem of distributive justice for us.

2. Time in Review

According to Manuscript Central, average time in review over the past year has been 69 days, up from 48 days in 2011-2012 and 42 days 2010-2011. This is not a function of reviewer delays. Reviewers continue to average about 32 days to return their reviews (36 days for resubmitted articles that are sent out again for review). This is outstanding. In my defense, the number of manuscripts has increased recently, and I have had my administrative duties increase in the last year at my college. I can probably bring down the number to around 55-60 days, but perhaps not much more than this.

3. Third JPS Issue (special issue)

Taylor and Francis/Routledge has confirmed the addition of a JPS third issue starting in 2014. The executive and editorial board have agreed that this will normally be a special issue, but we will leave the flexibility to use it to deal with backlogs and/or smaller special sections. The first special issue is on gender and sport and is being guest edited by Angela Schneider. Articles have been invited and are expected to be submitted in September for January 2014 publication.

I have no firm plans for the 2015 special issue. I was originally thinking that a survey of sport philosophy for the 40th anniversary of the *JPS* would be appropriate, but it will not be timely in 2015. There are also a number of recently published and planned publications that are reviewing the field of sport philosophy, so it is not clear to me what a special issue in the *JPS* would add. I am currently thinking that a special issue or section on collegiate sports would be worthwhile. Suggestions are welcome. I hope to make a choice by October.

I propose that if we cannot clear up most of our backlog in 2014, we consider publishing a special section plus a few backlogged articles with the January 2015 issue.

The addition of a third issue will mean increases in subscription fees and more revenue for IAPS from the publisher. Our treasurer has been alerted about the need for negotiations about this.

4. Changes to the Editorial Board

The constitution was changed in the past year to increase the number of editorial board members to a minimum of 24 and a maximum of 36. The executive ratified my proposed list, as follows:

Mitchell N. Berman, University of Texas, Austin

Gunnar Breivik, Norwegian School of Sport Sciences

Mark Hamilton, Ashford College

Li-Hong (Leo) Hsu, Dah Yeh University

Lev Kreft, University of Ljubljana

Teresa Oliviera Lacerda, University of Porto

Graham McFee, University of Brighton/California State University

Arno Muller, University of Leipzig

Claudia Pawlenka, University of Dusseldorf

Emily Ryall, University of Gloucestershire

Pam Sailors, Missouri State University

Angela Schneider, University of Western Ontario

The list was chosen primarily to extend the range of expertise on the editorial board and to increase its geographic representation. There are currently 33 members on the editorial board.

5. IAPS Sport Philosophy Translation Project

I have been reporting on this project in this report for a number of years now. It has been somewhat slow-going in recent months. Toward the end of 2012, we gathered a list of 20 leading articles from several past editors of the *JPS*, the current editor of *Sport, Ethics and Philosophy*, and myself. The lists were collected and collated in a blinded fashion by a colleague of mine at Langara, Dr. Alex Boston. Jesus Ilundain has been seeking permission to publish the articles in translation without royalty or other fee. This has been accomplished. The next task, which Jesus and I hoped would be underway now, is to appoint translators. This is something we will take up in the fall, after the conference has finished.

6. Thanks!

Finally, thanks to editorial board members for their continuing excellent work, and especially to Cesar Torres for managing the associate and book review editor responsibilities with much efficiency and aplomb. I look forward to working with all of you again in the coming year.

JSR/August 19, 2013

6. Newsletter Editor's Report

1. Three newsletters went to press from October 2012 to July, 2013.
2. In general, all officers made their deadlines for the newsletter.
3. The system seems to be quite functional with newsletter being printed on the web site.
4. I have no changes to recommend.

7. Website Administrator's Report 2012-2013

Website

Following agreement at the 2012 Executive meeting, the ownership of IAPS.net was transferred to IAPS (from Emily Ryall) and the website was transferred to a professional host server (Stablehost). Both of these changes were paid for by IAPS. The domain name currently costs \$14.95 per annum and hosting is currently \$27.25 for the year but will rise to \$45.42 for the forthcoming year.

Many thanks to Charlene Weaving and Oscar MacGregor for all their help in making this a very smooth transition.

Website Statistics

The website currently gets around 1500 hits per month which often rises when the annual conference is announced. This year's statistics are currently lower than last year's, but as was previously stated in last year's report, this was probably due to people searching for information on changes to the JPS publisher.

Months and Years

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2009									1,156	1,796	1,549	1,204	5,705
2010	1,292	1,189	1,819	1,521	1,397	1,270	1,457	933	1,620	1,295	1,233	910	15,936
2011	967	945	1,072	0	0	0	0	279	2,139	1,547	1,077	768	8,794
2012	2,548	2,747	2,559	2,177	1,766	1,491	1,246	1,277	1,770	1,948	1,658	1,452	22,639
2013	1,575	1,671	2,317	2,291	1,544	1,408	1,440	164					12,410

Twitter @intphilofsport

The IAPS Twitter feed is a public notification of the publication of documents (e.g. newsletter) or events (e.g. conferences and cfp). The current number of followers on Twitter is 271 but this number could be increased further by retweets from existing IAPS members or followers, increasing the amount of tweets IAPS makes and increasing the number of users IAPS follows. If any member wishes IAPS to tweet any relevant information then please either contact me directly or include @intphilofsport on a tweet.

Facebook

IAPS currently has a Facebook (open) group and a Facebook page. The Facebook group currently has 75 members and has recently seen more interaction and posting from members which has been very welcome. The Facebook page has 47 'likes' but is not run by myself. It is, I think, 'owned' by Colleen English and therefore I am unable to administrate content. It used to link to the IAPS Twitter feed but this no longer seems to be the case and it hasn't had any updates since November 2012. I will speak to Colleen about how we can improve it and make it more effective.

8 Conference Chair's report.

- I. Overture
- II. Conference statistics
- III. R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award
- IV. Items for Discussion

I. In Appreciation

As *overture* to my report, allow me a few words on behalf of all of us, attendees, to thank onsite organizers John Gleaves and Matthew Llewellyn and their very able team (Tracey Magyar and students) for their vision and hard work. It is always a daunting challenge to organize such an event, and takes much selfless dedication to carry it to fruition. They have risen above the challenge with panache and in style. Additionally, the members-at-large Lisa Edwards, Joan Forry, Dennis Hemphill, and Pam Sailors, Secretary Charlene Weaving, and President Carwyn Jones have also actively contributed to guarantee that the conference takes place, I extend our gratitude to them.

II. Conference Statistics & related business

To continue *andante* as it were, some numbers to provide a quantitative portrait of the conference. This can qualitatively be read as adding up to a very successful 41st edition! As of August 19 (these may change between now and conference time), the pertinent digits are:

- Number of papers originally accepted: 118
- Total number of proposals: 127 (Several were revised or asked to be refined)
- Number of presentations as of August 19, 2013: 110 (includes keynotes, presidential address)
- Number of panels: 1 (not counted as a presentation)
- Total number of presenters: 131
- Number of countries represented (based on institutional affiliation, not presenter's nationality): 21
- Number of students (Undergraduate, Masters, Ph. D.): 30
- There will be two keynote presentations, Gunnar Breivik and Graham McFee, and the presidential address by Carwyn Jones.

Below follow details concerning the number of presenters on a per country basis (ranked from most numerous to less numerous, and in the case of number parity, alphabetically):

1. USA	55	12. Israel	2
2. Japan	16	13. Italy	2
3. Canada	11	14. Slovenia	2
4. UK	8	15. Taiwan	2
5. China	6	16. Finland	1
6. Denmark	6	17. Germany	1
7. Norway	5	18. Korea	1
8. Portugal	3	19. Poland	1
9. Spain	3	20. Turkey	1
10. Brazil	2	21. Australia	1
11. Czech Republic	2		

I would like to highlight that yet again we have been able to provide funding to the tune of \$ 250 per student (to all those who applied on time as per the guidelines). This marks a new high for IAPS, with 29 awards. My deepest gratitude to all those of you who donated funds for this purpose, as well as to those in the executive whose foresight and know-how have allowed us to further support our students. I also encourage you to keep giving not just monetarily, but now also in kind: by attending their presentations, and engaging them in collegial discussion

Of note—as part of our efforts for our students—is the fact that this year will also include a student luncheon on the state of the profession in Sport Philosophy. John Russell, Emily Ryall, and Pamela Sailors, as JPD editor, IAPS webmaster, and Professor, Dean and Member-at-Large respectively, have graciously agreed to hold this event.

II. R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award

This section of the report calls for an *allegro*, as it is in celebration of the third edition of the award. This firmly establishes it as a de facto award. We had eight papers submitted. The award has been set under the aegis of the HAFS committee for a number of reasons. Its members, alongside the two members-at-large in their second year read all papers and voted, the feedback duties being split evenly among them. Another round of thankfulness goes out to them for this most meaningful endeavor they so proficiently undertook. To give an idea of the high quality of the papers, I paraphrase what one reviewer wrote: ...these papers were such high level, that I am glad to have gotten my job when I did... (Personally, I feel the same way.)

Top honors went to, drum roll: *Francisco Javier López Frías*

For his paper entitled: *William J. Morgan's "Conventionalist Internalism" Approach. Furthering Internalism? A Critical Hermeneutical Response*

- The award will be conferred at the General Business Meeting. The author's name and presentation are highlighted in the final program and abstract book.
- The winner is awarded a \$ 250 US prize in addition to having the conference registration fee waived.
- Francisco Javier ("Javi"), will be presented with a certificate to, fittingly certify the achievement, but more importantly denote the distinction of meriting an award that honors one of sport philosophy's beacons.

We commend and thank all of the students who submitted their essays, and hereby we encourage other students to consider submitting an essay for next year.

Appendix 1.

Addendum to conference chair's report- the executive will decide at the meeting how best to proceed with reviewing the processes and procedures associated with the conference. The aim is to provide an opportunity for a thorough and inclusive process. The strategy will be informed by the thoughts and experiences of the current conference chair (see below). The decision will be communicated to members at the AGM.

1. Abstracts: Criteria

Yet again, the issue of maintaining high-quality abstracts has come up in discussion with members-at-large.

- a. The proposal is to modify the Call for Papers to request two/three references that help contextualize the topic in the philosophical tradition of sport philosophy and philosophy at large.
- b. Rationale: consistently, abstracts that need revision remain vague on philosophical content or rely on literature and methodology proper of other disciplines (sociology; anthropology) rather than philosophy. That said, the reviewers and I are committed to work with students, emerging researchers new to the discipline, and scholars from countries where the discipline is nascent. The goal is to maintain or increase high quality contributions as we grow.

2. Outreach and promotion efforts for IAPS and its annual conference.

- a. Posts and announcements were made in the following lists and organizations: IOC, Phil Updates, Philosophy of Sport list, History of Sport list, NASSM, NASSM, British Olympic Committee, Scandinavian Sport Studies Forum, International Football Institute, Dilemata (see archived report from last year for explanation on these acronyms and organizations). Additionally, the call for papers (along with website information and the conference poster) was sent to:
 - All who submitted abstracts for IAPS 2011 (not just participants)
 - Colleagues with an interest in sport not covered by any of the above
- b. As always, any suggestions are welcome!

3. Proposal to create online repository for conference documents & online email accounts for IAPS business

- a. Setting up an email account with Google (or some such provider) to which abstracts can be submitted, as well as another account with Dropbox (or similar service) to hold conference materials.
 - i. In both cases Conference Chair and either all or a sub-group of Executive members would have access to these accounts.
 - ii. Alternatively the Conference Chair could simply set up the folder in Dropbox or similar service
- b. Rationale
 - i. This would result in access to documents by other members. This safeguards availability for a number of scenarios, from local computer failure or servers issues (as was the case with my institution's overhaul that resulted in delays and missed communications) or contingencies inherent to life (e.g., some conference chairs may indulge in risky activities!).
 - ii. In the case of email regarding the conference, it means less chances of missed communications and larger storage (my institutional mailbox is almost to full capacity).
 - iii. It also increases transparency and allows for more fluid and efficient document handling (e.g., of student travel awards, Kretchmar Award, and other such business). Similarly, it would also streamline the Conference Chair's duties and allow for input/help from executive members when warranted.

- iv. An institutional account will permit posting in the Website “Conference Alerts” without having to change account and details every couple of years.
 - c. Emily Ryall would be the ideal person to lead this unless we choose ‘a.ii.’ But I defer to her judgment and counsel on this.
- 4. *Feedback from colleagues.* My appreciation for those who shared their ideas. The suggestions are summarized below, along with tentative responses. However, the idea is to obtain feedback and discuss these with all of you, dear colleagues.
 - a. IAPS session models. Alternate arrangements other than the usual set of sequential papers in a row. A possibility involves sessions with contrasting views on a given theme. It could be either as a set panel of papers and discussion afterwards, or paper and replies.
 - i. Reply and suggestions:
 - 1. Wonderful idea. I am already doing some of this by organizing sessions thematically as much as possible (sometimes logistics or people’s travel arrangements prevent this).
 - 2. That said, I would like to explore the possibility of contacting members whose topics coalesce around ideas to suggest panels. I regularly see possibilities for such arrangements. If interested I can pursue this next year.
 - 3. Alternatively or additionally, we could explore more dynamic panels with “author meets critics” type of panels or shorter sessions with two presenters each on a contrasting side of a given issue.
 - 4. Some of these could be run with shorter presentation time on a key issue, say of 15 minutes and more discussion among panelists and audience.
 - 5. A poster session for those interested in lieu of or *in addition* to their session? This might alleviate the issue of missing concurrent sessions we may be interested in and afford further occasion for distended but focused dialogue. This could also be an alternative for some projects —see b. next.
 - b. *Non-presenting Invited Attendees.* To encourage and promote high quality sessions, offer to some who would be rejected or whose projects are very weak and borderline, the possibility to attend as observers the first time around.
 - i. Reply and suggestions.
 - 1. This is a very good suggestion that addresses the perennial problem in trying to strike a balance between welcoming new members and ensuring an overall high quality. So far, there seems to be a good balance, but we are always looking for better ways.
 - 2. That said, we might want to explore the possibility of poster sessions for some of them (who would present alongside those who wish to have a poster in addition to giving a presentation perhaps). Also, we should consider the possibility of a reduced rate if we allow for such attendees.
 - 3. Another related issue to discuss: occasionally we receive requests from invitation from people who wish to attend as observers (some of this legit, some dubious). For those legitimate inquiries, do we agree, and if so, do they pay the full conference rate?
 - c. *Opening remarks by the IAPS president and/or conference chair:* To implement as part of any conference opening a presidential welcome by the president and/or the conference chair such that either one or both address the “culture” of the organization in terms of its welcoming and encouraging ethos. While this happens often, the idea is to make this a fixture.
 - i. Reply.
 - 1. This is a great idea. Both Carwyn and I will have this in mind this year, and pass this along to future presidents and conference chairs as part of the “hand-down package.”
- 5. *Presentations and activities in languages other than English*
 - a. This is a growing trend in IAPS (Tokyo, Rome, Porto) and future ones (Brazil). To be sure, English remains the official language of the conference, society, and journal. However, with projects such

as the Sport Philosophy Translation Project, now underway, this is a welcome feature that warrants dialogue.

- b. To discuss:
 - i. The local process of Abstract Review. Given linguistic limitations by chair and Members-at-Large, it is best done by local organizers. Our constitution specifies that Members-at-Large do this. Mindful of local understanding of philosophical discourse, there should be a conversation between the chair and said representatives such that IAPS guidelines are also followed (regarding blind review by three reviewers; quality of content, format for abstracts).
 - ii. Also, conference chairs may not be fluent in some of these languages to act as bridge. How to provide for said bridge?
- c. Other ways of including other languages and perspectives other than presentations in said languages?
 - i. For example, at the behest of John Gleaves, who indicated that there is a large Hispanic population on campus, a panel in Spanish and Portuguese has been set up to introduce said population to sport philosophy.
 - ii. Other ways to conduct similar business? E.g., providing room and time for philosophical discussion in other languages?

Appendix 2. Student travel awards.

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