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President's Message –

Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza, President jilunda@linfield.edu

As sure as the flourishing of spring and wilting of fall come around once more, the time to submit your abstracts for this year's conference begins the cycle of exciting activity for IAPS!

Now, if you are looking for some things to do that can help you procrastinate on that big project of yours some more, below are a few possibilities. Should you pursue them, we will be more than delighted!

First, the second call for papers just went out. Abstracts are due March 31, 2015. This year we are trying a new conference management system. Ideally it will live up to its name and facilitate our Conference Chair's duties, as it is called 'Easy Chair.' You can submit at this link <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iaps2015>. John Gleaves sent a message on March 15

where you will find very clear directions as to how it works (if you did not get it, check your spam folder). If you have any queries, you can contact him at jgleaves@fullerton.edu. We are looking forward to getting your submissions!

Many of you have renewed your membership, thank you from the top to the bottom of my heart. If you have been meaning to, but have not found the time, here is a link that will help rid you off that nagging feeling of guilt: <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/> Remember that starting this year your membership must be active to be able to present at IAPS.

A bit of elbow grease for a good abstract and renewing your membership are the way to get to beautiful and historic Wales. Cardiff Metropolitan University, under the able leadership of Alun Hardman, is hosting the 2015 annual meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport, on September 3-5. On his behalf, and with boundless enthusiasm, I extend to you my warmest invitation.

Another election cycle comes our way again, with exciting opportunities for members to become involved in the running of IAPS and make a difference (or two). We are seeking nominations for:

- President
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Newsletter Editor
- Two (2) Members-at-Large
- Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee (3 year term)

To stay with the subject of nominations, we are also asking for nominees for the 2016 Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award and the 2015 Distinguished Service Award. To avoid nominating for honors those who have already been recognized, you can check <http://iaps.net/honours/>. Please, send your nominations to the chair of the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee, Sarah Teetzel at Teetzel@umanitoba.ca She is eagerly awaiting them.

You should have received a request from our Phil list serve for a survey on the social impact of sport philosophy. Dennis Hemphill, along with Jim Parry and Cesar Torres have prepared this short, sweet, and easy 10-question survey. This will be tremendously helpful for us to assess our members' professional activities and see how these reach beyond customary academic boundaries. At <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZW5BN2Q> you have another great chance to contribute to IAPS, feel good about yourself, and further postpone must-do projects. Once we get the results we will prepare a report. Further, depending on the results, we are considering holding a panel on the social impact on sport philosophy during this year's conference, and expanding this preliminary committee. Were we to knock on your door, we hope you will consider contributing. Please, stay tuned.

Over the summer, and in a related manner, we also hope to roll out a new section in our website to act as a window and repository of IAPS members' activities. Whether it be grants you have secured, books published, sessions or conferences you have organized, or other ways in which you contribute to the discipline, we want to know. Many of you are extremely active on many fronts, and this will be both a great window and a valuable resource. In due time we will be asking for such information.

Finally, a few words about finances... If you are a student, you are in luck! As with last year, we will also provide student travel grants worth \$500 to offset travel and/or lodging costs. Please contact John Gleaves, Sarah Teetzel or yours truly should you have any questions. Making a donation when you renew is a great way to help younger scholars attend the meeting. We are very grateful to those of you who so generously support future generations of sport philosophers. Conference organizers will also receive a \$5,000 USD grant to help defray registration costs and improve the keynote speaker package.

If you have any comments, queries, or complaints, I would love to hear from you. You may contact me at jilunda@Linfield.edu

Joyfully and respectfully yours as always.

Secretary-Treasurer Message

Charlene Weaving, Secretary/Treasurer, cweaving@stfx.ca

Membership News

I would like to thank IAPS members for being proactive in updating 2015 memberships and encourage those who haven't already done so to renew their memberships as soon as possible: <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/>. We currently have 118 members, and would like to surpass 150 by the time we meet in Cardiff!! 2014 IAPS members who have yet to renew for 2015, have been individually contacted.

Reminder: in order to participate at the upcoming IAPS conference---**you need to be a member in good standing.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me at cweaving@stfx.ca if you have any difficulty with the renewal process or are missing any *JPS* journals.

IAPS Budget

We are currently in strong financial standing. Our solid financial situation has benefited students who now receive a 500\$ conference grant, and IAPS conference organizers who have access to 5000\$ in conference grants to ensure conference registration fees are reasonable.

IAPS email list serve

If you do not receive emails from the IAPS list serve, address: sportphil@jiscmail.ac.uk, we highly recommend that you join (see IAPS website for details and instructions: <http://iaps.net/email-group>) so that you can receive up to date information regarding conferences, call for papers, research, seminars, etc.

News from The Journal of the Philosophy of Sport

J. S. Russell (editor), jrussell@langara.bc.ca

I report only that the plans for the festschrift to honor Robert L. Simon are well underway. This will be published as either an entire issue or a special section in the January 2016 volume of the *JPS*. Scott Kretchmar is guest editor for this project, which will include a response by Professor Simon.

One more piece of information: The *JPS* currently has a backlog of about 2 issues. Accepted authors can expect their articles to appear on-line within a couple of months of receipt of the final version of their essays. Formal assignment to a *JPS* volume and paper publication will normally be about 8-12 months.

2015 IAPS Conference

John Gleaves, Conference Chair, jgleaves@Exchange.FULLERTON.EDU

With the sounds of Brazil's gentle waves still in our ears, we are eagerly anticipating the 2015 IAPS Annual Conference in Cardiff, Wales hosted by Cardiff Metropolitan University. IAPS has deep roots in the United Kingdom and it is wonderful to be returning. Having seen the work that Allun Hardmun and his team at Cardiff Met have undertaken, I can tell you that our hosts will provide a wonderful conference experience.

The conference program is also coming together. The Call for Papers for the conference circulated on December 6 and again on March 17. For the first time, IAPS is using EasyChair to handle abstract submissions. Abstracts are due April 1st and can be submitted at <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iaps2015>. The IAPS Program Committee will notify corresponding authors about the submitted abstracts on May 15. We expect that registration for the conference will be ready at the same time. The conference program should be ready by July.

Please note that all conference presenters will be required to be IAPS members to have their paper included on the conference program. If you have not renewed your IAPS membership or would like to join IAPS, information can be found at the IAPS website: <http://iaps.net/join-iaps/>.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about the conference program or abstract submissions, please contact me, John Gleaves, at jgleaves@fullerton.edu.

Call for 2015 IAPS Executive Council Nominations

Pam Sailors, elections chair, PamelaSailors@MissouriState.edu

The following positions will become available this fall:

- President (2 year term)
- Secretary/Treasurer (3 year term)
- Newsletter Editor (2 year term)
- Member-at-Large (2 positions, 2 year term)
- Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee (3 year term)

Nominations must satisfy a number of conditions:

1. Each nomination must include a nominator, a seconder, and a nominee.
2. The nominator, seconder, and nominee must be members of IAPS. (Note that election onto the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee requires IAPS membership of three years or more.)
3. Nominations must reach Pam Sailors by 15 June 2015: pamelasailors@missouristate.edu

4. The seconder and nominee must acknowledge that they will second or accept, respectively, the nomination by sending an email to that effect to Pam Sailors.
5. The nominee is advised to supply a brief biography (no more than 200 words) at the time of nomination.

Nomination Procedure:

The easiest way to complete the nomination is for the nominator to copy the original nomination email to both the seconder and the nominee who can then use “reply all” to acknowledge acceptance attach the brief biography. Once the nomination is complete, Pam Sailors will forward an email to the nominator, seconder, and nominee. Please be diligent in fully completing the nomination process.

We will once again use an online elections tool to guarantee anonymous voting. Look for instructions in the July 2015 IAPS Newsletter regarding the procedure.

Call for Future IAPS Conference Site Proposals

The Honors, Awards, and Future Sites (HAFS) committee still is interested in receiving proposals to host the 2016 IAPS conference. The Committee encourages all those who are interested in hosting a conference in 2016 or 2017 to submit a proposal. Guidelines and forms to assist in the preparation of proposals are available on the IAPS website (<http://www.iaps.net/conference>).