

**2021 Executive Council Meeting
September 23, 2021
Via Zoom
Minutes**

Call to order: 1:33pm EST

Officer Reports:

Additions. Comments, questions

Pam asked about how the conference is going? Emily and Peter said seems to be going okay.
Peter will provide participant numbers for AGM.

New Business:

Increase conference grant amount (if yes, add to Croatia)?

Motion: Increase conference grant to \$15,000 USD.

Question: More accountability for what it is being spent on. Require list of what the expenses are being paid on for 1) accountability and 2) informational for future site hosts.

Second: Colleen.

Approved.

Increase Conference Chair and Sec/Treasurer reimbursement?

Increase travel reimbursable travel funds for these officers to \$2,000.

Motion: Javier

Second: Paul

Approved.

Continuing virtual component for future conferences, whether and how (if yes, add position?)

Should be continue with virtual component of conference? In addition to in-person version.

Emily:

- Reluctancy to travel long distances: environmental reasons; \$; personal reasons.
- Should we provide virtual element.
- Live-stream Keynotes.
- Keynotes/individuals that cannot travel.
- Would need someone else involved; someone to organize it and run it.

Adam P.

- Issues with making guarantees of food/hotel blocks, etc.

Colleen:

- Good idea; difficult to travel all the time. Universities are now often set-up for live-streaming classrooms.

Javier

- PSU has the technology to try it. Unknown of COVID landscape. Willing to try it.

Chris

- Doesn't go far enough. Thinks we could have a permanent, online, supported community. Make it a fixture in scholars' lives. Creation of data-base. All is possible for \$0.

Pam: Separate suggestion: We are asking about virtual section of the IAPS.

Chris: Actually, no. It would provide more functionality than just the conference.

Emily: now that we have a conference set up in Cvent, we can now duplicate and change the details and edit for new conference. We have the platform. Definitely use it again, not set-up from scratch.

Pam: Cvent is already our membership portal; conference platform links with that.

Javier: Book club/discussion; BPSA has organized one meeting per month for scholars to get together, discuss things. His experience, very excited at first; but after a few months, interest wanes. Then virtual communities go dwindle, go away.

John William Devine

- BPSA have monthly online sport seminar. Appetite for something ongoing basis. Two questions: 1) reform conference format to includes virtual component; 2) develop ongoing online community.

Kenneth

- As William says, keep the issues separate. Finds both ideas valid, but important to keep them separate. Needs to know more about the forums Chris is speaking about. Concern that it will turn our organization inward; share more information internally, but not getting stuff out there.

Pam:

- Start with including virtual component of next conference.

Motion/second. Approved.

Pam:

- Suggests discussion about online IAPS community. Doesn't need official IAPS approval right now, but would like to see some sort of proposal.

Ken:

- Happy to discuss with Christopher.

Chris:

- The plan would still be to on-ramp new members to community site. We can control access to different parts of platform. It gamifies engagement in the site/activities. We can do this for free. We did not need to pay Cvent for the same thing we are doing now. We could try it for next conference. Our current membership is a critical mass to start this type of community. He thinks the prospects are good, cheap, easily accessed. We would continue to use the social media aspect to get things out there.

Noora:

- It is nice idea if there is something that is free for non-members who are just curious about what we do. Continue with social media.

Pam:

- Need to decide on an ad-hoc organizer for this?

Emily/Peter:

- there is a need to have an organizer this on site.

Adam B:

- What is the relationship between the virtual coordinator and conference program chair?

Emily:

- Would need to work closely together.

Adam:

- Would need to structure virtual person “under” program chair. Pam agrees.

Pam:

- Punting to Kenneth to work with Emily to figure out who/how many for ad hoc virtual position. Emily agrees to speak with PSU organizers; doesn't need to be done immediately.

Joint membership with BPSA?

John W Devine:

- Many of our members pay both BPSA and IAPS memberships. Create a joint membership where someone would join both for a 20% or so discount. Seeking cross-pollination. Existing members get more value for the money.

Javier:

- would that include subscription to both journals?

John W:

- It would apply to subscription-based memberships. John then stepped out for IAPS discussion.

Pam:

- There was previous discussion on this. Dismissed for some good reason previously.

Paul:

- Suggested many times. Best reason is access to both journals. Worry was one society would disadvantage the other. As long as nobody is hurt by this, it makes sense.

Emily:

- What is the practicality of this? Funds transfer; membership lists; publishing lists?

Paul:

- Emily's question is exactly what it was. Advantage would be to get both journals.

Pam:

- We have no objection in principle, but have many questions of how it will work?

Kenneth:

- Do we do the same for other associations? Japan? EAPS?

Irena:

- EAPS is paid every three years; but there is no journal.

Chris:

- Needs to be a way for a journal/bundle/deal without merger of memberships. They are importantly institutionally distinct. If the main goal is bundle of deal, there are other ways to do it then merging of association membership.

Pam:

- Will communicate with John W.D. with questions. Get a more detailed proposal.

Financial standing, consider new investments and/or projects
Table this for future conversation.

Adjourned. 2:38 EST.