

## IIS General Assembly June 15<sup>th</sup> 2009

### 1. President's Report

Bill Wheeler opened the meeting by welcoming all those attending the meeting. He also announced the next International Isotope Symposium will be held in Heidelberg, Germany in 2012 and will be organized by Jens Atzrodt, Volker Derdau and John Allen. A brief presentation was then made by the future organizers to introduce the General Assembly audience to the meeting venue.

Bill Wheeler then reported on the recent activities of the local Chapters of the IIS.

### 2. Financial Report

Scott Landvatter presented the following financial update:

#### General Features of the IIS Financial Structure

- Clarke, Nicolini & Associates employed as our professional accountants
  - Audit our accounts (Yearly)
  - Prepare tax returns
  - Answer IRS (Internal Revenue Service) inquiries
  - Balance monthly statement of accounts
  - Enter data into QuickBooks accounting program
  - Cost: \$875/quarter + \$2,500 for end of the year financial statement and tax return preparation
  
- Chief Financial Officer (Scott Landvatter)
  - Monitor income/expenses via QuickBooks
  - Provide financial statements to BoT and membership
  - Financial statements posted on the website
  - Pay bills (net 30) with valid receipts
  - Serve as liaison between accountants and the IIS
  
- Executive Secretary (David Hesk)
  - Makes deposits for monies derived from membership
  - Provides accountants with a record of income

**SL also presented the balance sheet from 2005 to Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 2008 with the following comments:**

- IIS suffered a net loss of over \$43,000 from December 2005 through December 2006, primarily as a result of the Edinburgh Meeting and currency transactions between the US and the UK.
- Note that the balance sheet shows a loss of \$69,000 from 2005 – 2006.
- \$26,000 of this was advance deposits for the Edinburgh meeting in the 2005 balance sheet, leaving a net loss of \$43,000.
- Over \$25,000 of that loss has been made up, primarily as a result of membership renewals.
- A separate International Symposium Bank Account was created to maintain more control over tracking symposium expenses.
- The Chicago Organizing Committee, in conjunction with input from the CFO and BOT, has done everything possible to bring the Chicago Meeting as close as possible to (at least) breaking even.
- This has been a challenge to the organizing committee
- Many decisions in organizing this meeting were decided on the basis of minimizing costs and ensuring the financial stability of the IIS.
- In spite of these constraints, the committee still provided for a full and enjoyable meeting.

### **3. Secretary's Report**

David Hesk presented an update on the membership of the IIS, which showed the current membership totals and compared it to the membership totals at the time of the Edinburgh meeting.

<b>Region</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2009</b>
North East US	119	117
Central US	134	84
UK	37	38
CED	69	59
Canada	14	11
Japan/ S. Korea	11	7
Romania	31	31
Russia	14	25
China	31	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>401</b>

DH also made the following observations:

- 3 Associate members in 2009 v. 7 in 2006.
- 86 paid members through 2010 v. 127 in 2007.
- 49 paid members through 2011 v. 62 in 2008.
- A trend towards one year membership renewals away from the three year membership option has been observed.
- The IIS needs to look beyond the traditional areas to recruit new membership and grow the Society

#### **4. 2009 IIS Elections**

Crist Filer presented an update on the elections for the 2010-2012 BoT. In early 2009, an election committee was formed to manage the election process. In December 2009, the formal nomination process began, with a February 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 deadline. Shortly following this, numbered ballots were printed and mailed to the membership and returned ballots were collected and tallied by Dick Heys. As a result, Brad Maxwell, Crist Filer and Alex Susan were elected Presidents for 2010, 2011, and 2012. Carolee Lavey was elected as Vice President. Ruth Hough-Engel and Dave Hesk both were elected un-opposed as Chief Financial Officer and Executive Secretary. The runner up candidates for President, Ken Lawie and John Allen were elected as 'at large' members of the BoR.

David Hesk  
IIS Executive Secretary