



International Academy of Mediators

Board Meeting Minutes | September 29, 2022

Meeting Time: 9:00 AM US/Can Eastern | 6 AM US/Can Pacific | 1 PM UK | 2 PM Paris/Zurich | 9 PM HK/Singapore | 12 AM (Tuesday) Melbourne. To check the time in your area, [click here](#).

Attendance

Name	Role	Present?	Name	Role	Present?
Steve Paul	President	Y	Jeff Trueman	Governor	Y
Paul Van Osselaer	President Elect	Y	Allan Stitt	Governor	Y
Joyce Mitchell	Vice President	N	Tracy Allen	Ex-Officio	N
Jody Sin	Secretary	Y	Jon Fidler	Ex-Officio	N
Jonathan Lloyd-Jones	Treasurer	N	Denise Madigan	Ex-Officio	Y
Michel Kallipetis	Past President	Y	Paul Monicatti	Ex-Officio	N
Claude Amar	Governor	Y			
Barbara Cornish	Governor	Y	Richard Rejino	Administrator	Y
Jeff Hand	Governor	Y	Carol Wilbur	Executive Director	Y
Tat Lim	Governor	N			
Orit Asnin	Governor	Y			
Jay Rudolph	Governor	Y			
Douglas Murphy	Governor	Y			

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM EST.

1. Pre-board meeting motion and vote by email: "I (Steve Paul) am making the motion to retain Steven Bornstein to provide strategic planning consulting services to the IAM as provided in his proposal dated August 25, 2022". This motion was seconded in writing by Claude Amar. **The motion was passed with 13 "aye" responses.**
2. Approval of Minutes from the July 11 board meeting
A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
3. D&O Insurance Renewal – Richard/Carol The current annual policy was approved for renewal for the period of November 15, 2022-November 15, 2023, at the continued rate of \$1810.
4. Committee Reports
 1. Communications/Website – Richard **Becky Stern was hired to update the design of the IAM website and the committee has approved the new appearance of the homepage at this point. There will also be tweaks made on the back end of the website to improve efficiency and ease of use. Allan Stitt suggested a thank you gift to acknowledge**

Christine Master's hard work on this project and as she steps down as committee chair.

2. Conferences

- a. Fall Virtual Conference – Jay/Barb This conference series is meant to be more interactive - essentially a toolkit. Everything is in good shape; presenters are working hard and registrations are coming in steadily.
- b. Zurich Conference Written report posted on board portal. Further board discussion will follow regarding the live/virtual options that should or should not be offered. Zurich could be the template for future conferences.
- c. Conferences Sites 2024 Discussion followed on the city options following:
 - i. Denver (Brown Palace Hotel had been planned for 2020, easy access, historic downtown, Rocky Mtns)
 - ii. Seattle (easy access from Asia, Pike Place Market, harbor/cruises, space needle)
 - iii. New Orleans (historic French Quarter, steamboat cruises, airboats, food (!))
 - iv. New York City (Broadway, Times Square, Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, 9/11 Memorial)

A motion was made and seconded that Seattle be the 2024 location of the in-person conference, dates to be confirmed. Doug spoke against the motion, saying that 2024 would be better for him to help organize a conference in Australia (Surfer's Paradise), preferably in September. Discussion followed on this point. **The above Seattle motion was then reintroduced and passed with a majority vote.**

A motion was then made and seconded to name Australia as the location of the in-person conference in 2025, dates to be confirmed; the motion passed unanimously.

- d. Conference Site 2025: Australia – Doug Murphy After the above motion passed, Doug requested that efforts be made to get attendee commitments ahead of time to better plan the conference programming and activities.

3. Strategic Planning – Steve P Steve Bornstein was approved to lead IAM's strategic planning, and has been speaking with Steve P and the strategic planning committee to formulate the next steps. Further information will be coming to the board as the work progresses.
4. DEI Joyce is unable to attend today's meeting but is working hard with James Mang'erere on committee work.
5. Membership – New Candidates – Jeff H Applications to recommend the following men as IAM Distinguished Fellows were discussed.
 - a. Hayden Wilson

b. Paul Godin

A motion was made and seconded to admit Hayden Wilson as a Distinguished Fellow. The motion passed unanimously. Paul Godin's nomination will be tabled for now and further discussed at a later date.

6. Mentorship The committee is working hard to expand diversity under Wendy Kramer's leadership. Allan Stitt mentioned that he had several points to bring up regarding the mentorship program, but agreed to defer his discussion to a later date. He and Steve Paul will follow up in the meantime.
7. Pro-Bono More information is to come on a possible case.
5. Hong Kong IAM sponsorship – Michel K No official report yet, but IAM is endorsing the training. Jonathan, Jody, Tat, and Bill Marsh will be doing the training.
6. UNCITRAL – Michel No report yet.
7. Treasury Report No official report at this time. MCC is ensuring that the Montreal Conference numbers are accurate and will have a report ready for the next meeting.
8. Next Scheduled Meeting - November 21
9. Meeting adjourned at 10:57 am CST.