

ICSOM Governing Board – June 5, 2010

Bruce Ridge, Brian Rood, Laura Ross, Michael Moore (joined late), Richard Levine, Matt Comerford, Cathy Payne, Meredith Snow (Paul Gunther – not available)

Minutes from the April and May Governing Board calls were previously approved as written via e-mail.

1. Report on LA trip

- a. meeting with Liza – Bruce and Meredith spoke about their meetings with Liza Hirsch Medina.
- b. meetings with Local 47 – Bruce and Meredith attended a pension meeting, and Bruce met with Vince Trombetta, who is president of Local 47.

2. AFM Convention

- a. Delegate-L – There was a brief discussion about administrator/ownership of some of ICSOM's electronic communication sites (including Facebook and Twitter) as well as delegate communication regarding the upcoming AFM election.

(Michael joined the call, his session ran late.)

Bruce briefly addressed postings by Governing Board members and recommended that if a Board member wanted to correct information, he or she should contact the Board member who wrote the original posting and let that person post any corrections.

- b. Call to Action report – MALs should follow up on those orchestras who have not yet responded online and also ask for names of ICSOM affiliated delegates. There are a few orchestras that belong to the same Local, so if one orchestra has responded, the other orchestras may not have responded.
- c. testimony before committees – there was a brief discussion about gathering to discuss strategies during the convention and about views on Recommendation #1.

(Michael had to leave the call briefly)

- d. PCC speeches – We are unsure whether these speeches will be scheduled; Bill Skolnik told Bruce the IEB didn't realize the speeches were affected when the 5-points were rescinded.

- e. *Senza* distribution and possible advance posting – Richard had 500 extra copies printed that will be placed on delegate tables the first day of the convention. They will be shipped to Meredith. Bruce's cover article will be posted this week on Orchestra-L. Bruce will also post the AFM Convention ad on Facebook and the ICSOM website.

(Michael returned to the call)

3. ICSOM Conference

- a. agenda review – Laura reported the conference packets have been mailed. Since it doesn't appear there will be a keynote speaker, the first session will be reorganized to include all the reports and officer speeches. There was also a discussion about the SSD presentation. Bruce will reach out to Chris to firm up SSD's presentation, which could impact other parts of the agenda.
- b. attorney presentations – Bruce has circulated a draft letter that will solicit 3 topics from each of our speakers, Barbara Jaccoma, Susan Martin and Liza Hirsch Medina. The Board will try to speak with each following her presentation.
- c. Mike Okun attendance – All agree Mike should be there for the entire conference.

d. dinner invitations – the Board discussed additional invitations for the Monday evening Governing Board dinner.

e. parliamentarian –Meredith agreed to find out if Paul Castillo was planning to attend so we might engage him again; otherwise, we would find someone from Houston.

f. GB travel arrangements – The final Sunday will be very important so early evening return flights were recommended.

4. International Musician

a. symphonic issue – Bruce sent Chris Durham an e-mail communicating what topics and ideas the Board would like to see in the upcoming symphonic edition of the *IM*.

(Cathy left the call)

5. ICSOM policy book – additional changes were made to the document at this time. Laura will send it to Mike Okun for further revision.

6. ICSOM bylaws changes

a. distribution to delegates in advance of conference – once completed Laura said they would be included in the July delegate mailing with the officer reports.

b. process to move forward – Brian will try to schedule a final call with the subcommittee. There are still some issues to resolve with Mike Okun before they can be distributed to the full board for final approval before distribution.

7. AFM-EPF

a. Michael's mailing from June 3 and the AFM website issues – Atlanta's management has decided to pay the 5% penalty until it can investigate further. This is not the only orchestra taking this path. There was further discussion about the report from Susan Martin and the information we had requested and received from the pension fund.

next call – Monday, June 28 @ 9PM EDT/8PM CDT/6PM PDT