

Executive Committee meeting

**Saturday 20th September 2014, 8:30 PM - San Rafael
Draft minutes**

Participants:

Joaquin Arroyo Cabrales (JAC) (vice-president), László Bartosiewicz (LBa) (president), Luis Borrero (LBo) (current conference organizer), Pam Crabtree (PC) (treasurer), Christine Lefèvre (CL) (secretary, elected EC member), Richard Meadow (elected EC member), Angela Trentacoste (AT) (Newsletter editor), Jean-Denis Vigne (JDV) (past conference organizer), Sarah Whitcher Kansa (SWK) (web page master, elected EC member).

Invited: Terry O'Connor (TOC) (incoming president)

Apologies from Hans Christian Küchelmann (HCK) (elected EC member)

This 2014 EC report should be read in conjunction with the minutes of the 2014 IC meeting, which provide fuller details on several items.

1. Latest news about the organization of the 2014 conference (LBo)

LBo indicates that the final preparations will take place the following morning at the conference center. The whole team is ready to welcome the participants from 3 to 7 pm. The number of registrations is still uncertain but close to 400. The sessions will start, as planned, on Monday morning and the opening ceremony will take place on Monday evening.

2. Final planning for the opening of the registration desks

PC and SWK will have an updated list of ICAZ members in good standing. An "ICAZ Membership" desk will be set up near the registration desk. Members will be able to renew their membership and new members will have the opportunity to register. Only US dollars will be accepted.

3. Checking the agendas for the IC and GM meetings to see if there is anything that needs to be discussed in advance

Everything seems under control.

It is agreed that the procedure for the vote on the statutes amendments will be as follows. ICAZ members who will attend the General Meeting will vote at the meeting. For those not attending the GM, a voting form will be available at the ICAZ Membership desk.

4. Financial update and membership (PC)

PC informs the EC that ICAZ now has 501 c 3 status. The EC congratulates PC on her tenacity on this tedious and ongoing issue for a long time.

ICAZ is in excellent fiscal shape and PC will present a more detail report during the IC.

5. Update on website (SWK)

The collaboration between SWK and Phoebe France, a designer/archaeologist, has been successful and SWK will be able to present the new ICAZ website and logo at the IC and GM. The new site will be more friendly and with an easier access to the information.

6. Awards

The names of the winners of the Stine Rossel awards are already published on the website of the Conference. Carlos Sánchez Hernández of the Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona, Spain, and William Timothy Trear Taylor of the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA, will receive their award at the GM.

Two prizes will be awarded for the Poster competition. The winners will be announced and will receive their award at the GM.

7. Elections EC

CL has received a couple of names for the elections of at-large members of the EC. It would be nice to approach other IC members and check if they would accept to be nominated.

8. Any other business

Alberico de Queiroz, new IC members from Brazil, is co-organizing the 3rd Latin American Meeting of Zooarchaeology, which will be coupled with the 1st Brazilian Congress of Bioarchaeology and the 3rd Brazilian Meeting of Archaeology. He approached CL regarding a possible financial support from ICAZ. PC is willing to set up a possible annual competition to provide an ICAZ financial contribution to such projects.

Contributed by Christine Lefèvre, ICAZ Secretary