

IASD Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 20th, 2005
2006 Conference – Bridgewater, MA

Board Members Present:

Wendy Pannier; David Kahn, Robert Waggoner; Gary Goodwin; Bernard Welt; Laurel McCabe; Marcia Emery, Curt Hoffman, Gloria Sturzenacker, David Gordon, Roger Knudson; Bob Hoss; Alan Siegel; Rita Dwyer; Tjitske Wijngaard; Jean Campbell; Layne Dalfen; Olaf Gerlach Hansen; Robert Van de Castle; Robert Gongloff; Hermine Klouth-Mensink; Sheila Asato; Anne Frey; Patricia Schmiege; Jeremy Taylor; Deirdre Barrett.

Dream Sharing

Chairman, David Kahn called the meeting to order and asked for people's dreams. Bob Hoss had a suspicion that someone was dreaming of him last night. Deirdre Barrett shared she was invited to a dream college and found a dream journal.

Minutes of last Board Meeting – Curt Hoffman moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Motion seconded by Roger Knudson. Board approved.

The Board was introduced to the Officers that were elected at the Spring Board meeting. These were:

President – Jean Campbell
President Elect – David Kahn
Vice President – Ed Kellogg
Treasurer – Robert Waggoner
Secretary – Gary Goodwin
Chair – David Kahn
Executive Officer – Bob Hoss
VP – Europe – Olaf Hansen
VP Asia – Jeremy Seligson
VP Latin America – Rosa Anwandter

Conference Update:

Curt Hoffman reported things are proceeding well; approximately 300 attendees at this point. Some walk-ins are expected on Friday night since that is a public lecture by a well-known science fiction writer. Bob reported a few presenters had to cancel their presentations. Overall everything is in good shape.

Dream Science Foundation

Bob Hoss has created an organization to do seed funding of dream research. It will award grants of \$5,000 each year. IASD will set up a grant review committee to evaluate letters of intent and proposals. The current committee includes: David Kahn, Roger Knudson, Ernest Hartmann, Mark Blagrove, Stan Krippner, and Bob Van de Castle. Bob will check with others (i.e. to see Clara Hill) to see if they would like to be part of this committee.

Membership Meeting Logistics

Jean Campbell gave a quick view of what will be done at the membership meeting at this conference. Jean is planning to have an interactive component of the meeting for audience participation. It will also include time for announcements such as student awards, and telepathy awards.

Central Office Report

Richard Wilkerson reports that things are going smoothly and he thanked people for their volunteer work. He does, however, need local people to do office work.

Action Item: Richard Wilkerson will place a listing in Dream Time and the eNews asking for local volunteer help.

The Board gave resounding support for Richard's work.

Regional Meetings

Rita Dwyer gave a report on upcoming regional meetings. The list includes
St. Paul/Minneapolis: Sheila Asato
United Kingdom/Denmark - Kate Adams

Marcia Emery agreed to help this committee by being a co-chair.

Student Research Award Update

Roger Knudson reported that an award will be presented this year. There were fewer submissions this year and no significant outreach was done to students below the college level. Roger was chair during this year and if necessary, is available to be chair again.

Endowment Update

Robert Waggoner noted that in October 2005 the Board approved an endowment fund and set up a committee to work on that fund. The work is now underway. One of the first tasks of the committee was to setup a stockbrokerage account so that IASD can accept securities if they become available. For this conference a survey was created and was included in everyone's registration materials to assess the membership's interest in and recommendations for this program.

Development Committee

Jean Campbell reported that things are coming along well, especially in the area of operational procedures and the endowment. Vendors have really taken off; we are likely to make \$10,000 in profit at this conference. Anne Frey has done an outstanding job. Anne has learned a lot of lessons from this year's efforts; but hopes to double things for next year.

Anne suggests that the vendors portion of our conference activity be called the Sponsors Program. Anne also noted that she is working on a section for the operations manual that lays out the step-by-step process needed to gain and work with sponsors.

Jean is suggesting that it should be moved out of Development and stand on its own.

Jean moved that we create a sponsor committee, Curt Hoffman seconded. The Board approved.

International Affiliates Update

Tjitske Wijngaard reported that Web pages are being created on the IASD Website explaining how we hope to affiliate with other like-minded, like-missioned other groups. Once the web pages are ready to go these other organizations will be contacted. Tjitske will be leaving the committee and the Board and a new chair of this committee needs to be found.

Action Item: Find new chair of Affiliates committee.

Dreaming Journal

A new managing editor, Patricia Schmieg, was introduced to the Board. Patricia started about two months ago. Deirdre Barrett, Dreaming editor, reported that the journal is doing well and our new publisher, APA, has been greatly helpful in publicizing the journal. The fall in library subscriptions brought on by the change in publishers persists but there has been a few more libraries starting up their subscriptions again. Board members can contact their respective libraries to see if they will subscribe.

Action Item: The journal is a good place to announce the student awards and the dream research foundation; Deirdre Barrett will send out a production schedule to the Board to help members to be aware of upcoming deadlines so that potential notices can be prepared. Send notice suggestions to Jean Campbell.

Liz Diaz was acknowledged for her considerable contributions to graphics.

Membership Committee

David Gordon reported that there are currently an estimated 571 members. This number is equal to where we were in 2005.

David followed up on earlier Board discussion about contacting the large number of Dreaming subscribers who have started receiving the journal after we switched publishers. Cannot directly contact these people via APA's subscriber lists because we offer journal subscriptions considerably below the price that APA offers it at. Recruiting current subscribers to become IASD members would in effect take away business from APA. We can, however, put in regular announcements into the journal.

David's committee also has put together addresses of authors who have written dream books; the committee has 40 names and will send out a letter to these authors suggesting that they become members of IASD.

David also noted that the Board should look for a new chair of this committee so that he can step down.

Action Item: Find new membership chair.

Nightmare Response Line Update

Robert Waggoner reported that the Hotline has received more than 1900 calls since 2001; Robert will speak to an insurance broker about possible policies and liabilities. Robert is working on getting an estimate on future number of callers so that any policy can be tailored to this level of activity.

Action Item: Discuss at the fall board meeting - What do we need to do to have “trained” people working these lines. Jeremy strongly suggest that we learn from the suicide hotline people who have solved this problem. Wendy Pannier and Jeremy Taylor will send contact info on these groups to Richard Wilkerson.

Action Item: Wendy Pannier will speak with Jill Fisher to find out who will be managing this line in the future.

Procedures Manual

Bob Hoss has put a draft of the procedures manual online at dreamjournalist.com. The committee is still editing it and then it will put online for others to review and will allow the committee to put up edits as they are needed.

Curt Hoffman suggested that the secretary spot any changes to the procedures manual as the Board passes new actions. This could be the part of the regular duties of the secretary.

Bob also noted that there is a conference manual that needs to be managed. Bob has the manual and this too needs to be made available for review.

Action Item: We need a volunteer to be the keeper of the procedures manual.

Action Item: Make the conference manual available for online viewing and comment.

Psiberdreaming Conference

This year Ed Kellogg is looking for people to take on the online dreaming conference. Jean Campbell has been looking at how to split up the work for this year’s conference so that several people could take on portions of the process. Speak to Jean if you are interested in working on this conference. She reported that she has some volunteers but still needs more.

Old Business

None was discussed.

New Business

Laurel McCabe briefly discussed next year’s conference which will be held at her campus. She noted that she might be getting grant writing assistance and is gathering a list of big name presenters to draw people to the conference.

Thanks was given to outgoing Board members by the Chair.

Minutes Submitted by: Gary Goodwin