

IASD General Membership Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2020

Prepared by Bob Krumhansl, Secretary

**IASD General Membership Meeting
June 15, 2020
Virtual Meeting On ZOOM**

AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. Welcome and introductory remarks - Anna-Karin - 5 min.
2. ***VOTE*** Accept minutes of last year's general membership meeting - Anna-Karin 3 min
3. Presidential Address – Angel – 10 min
4. Special Announcement
5. Introduction of new slate of officers – Anna-Karin - 3 min
6. Introduction of new board members – Anna-Karin – 3 min
7. Thank you to nominees considered but not elected and thank you to outgoing board members and officers. Presentation of certificates – Anna-Karin - 5 min
8. Treasurer's report – Robert - 10 min
9. Membership Committee report (including remembrance of members who have passed away) – Anna-Karin on behalf of Sherry Puricelli – 5 min
10. Student Awards announcement – Curt Hoffman – 5 min
11. Research Grant Awards announcement – Bob Hoss – 5 min
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14. Conference 2021 announcement –Bob Hoss - 5 min
15. Dream Study Group Presentation – Angel and Michelle - 5 min
16. Old Business

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18. Adjourn

Participants:

Executive Committee:

Anna-Karin Björklund – Board Chair

Jean Campbell - Advisor

Michelle Carr – Vice-President

Robert Hoss - Advisor

Bob Krumhansl- Secretary

David Kahn - Advisor

Angel Morgan - President

Robert Waggoner - Treasurer

Board Members:

Jordi Borrás

Laurel Clark

Clare Johnson

Athena Kolinski

George Leute

Kimberly Mascaro

General Members:

58 Zoom General Member Attendees

Total Attendance: 72

1. Welcome and introductory remarks - Anna-Karin

Anna-Karin welcomed everyone as people joined the Zoom meeting. She went over some ground rules as to asking questions through the “chat” function and staying muted unless called upon. As a first Zoom Annual Membership meeting, she was waiting a few minutes to welcome more people.

At the 30-member count, David Kahn confirmed that the minimum attendance for Quorum had been met.

Five minutes after start time, Anna-Karin then introduced herself formally as the Board Chair. She was grateful and honored to be involved with the International Association for the Study of Dreams. She was grateful for the attendance and participation at the Keynote presentations yesterday, and the attendance at this Annual General Membership meeting (49 attendees at this point.) She proceeded to tap a wooden slab with a gavel to officially start the meeting.

2. ***VOTE*** Accept minutes of last year's general membership meeting - Anna-Karin

First order of business was to approve the minutes from the last membership meeting from June in Rolduc, Netherlands. A couple items were pointed out as needing correction in the Minutes document posted to the website. Upon review of the minutes, Katja Valli had a correction to the spelling of some research grant awardees, and clarification that these awards are given by IASD and the Dream Research Foundation. The correction has been made. Laurel Clark noticed that a reference was made to an approval of the Previous Annual Meeting minutes by all BOARD members, instead of ALL members. Laurel Clark sent a chat message emphasizing that the change was from approval from "all Board" members to "ALL members." That correction has also been made.

MOTION: A motion was then made by David Kahn to approve the Minutes of the Previous Annual Membership meeting in Rolduc, Netherlands as corrected. The motion was Seconded by Geoff Nelson. A show of hands was requested of all in favor. It appeared all hands were raised. Anna-Karin then asked if there was anyone opposed to the approval. No hands were raised.

She then proceeded to declare the motion approved unanimously, and the minutes were approved.

3. Presidential Address – Angel

Anna-Karin introduced the next agenda item as a special event pre-recorded IASD President's Address to insure there would be no glitches or technical difficulties during the speech. Michelle Carr shared a Screen with the recording. Following is the transcript:

IASD President's Address
General Membership Meeting June 15, 2020
Angel K. Morgan, Ph.D.

Welcome Everyone, to the International Association for the Study of Dreams. Today I address you our dear members, our visiting future members, and all dreamers around the world who are curious to know more about our wonderful organization. Globally, 2020 is unlike any other year in our lifetimes and there is so much to say about what has happened, what is happening, and what has yet to happen in relation to Dreams, the Study of Dreams, and the IASD. Our inability to convene in person and experience the many gifts of our annual conference this year due to Covid-19 was felt by IASD members as an enormous loss. However, IASD members are connected, generous and loyal. Thank goodness for our beautiful international community. In times of crisis, what is most important to us becomes very clear, and this opportunity has reminded me every day just how important our work here is, for Dream Studies, for the world of Dreams, and as we move into the future, collectively dreaming a new World.

Last year, a few weeks into my term as President of IASD, I had this dream:

I am driving toward the freeway, but just before I get to the onramp, I make a right turn onto a dirt road. I then pull into a parking lot on the left side of the road. Stepping out of the car, I see on my right there is a deep canyon in the shape of an elephant's ear, with red, blue, and purple layers. To my left there is an empty outdoor mall with signs in a foreign language unknown to me.

After thinking about the canyon shaped like an elephant's ear next to *the mall*, I realized that in my new role as IASD President, my dream was telling me that I needed to **listen deeply to 'them all'**. That is exactly what I set out to do. Listen deeply to you all.

From this place of **deeply listening**, at IASD we collaborated, solved problems, and shared ideas. We innovated an online Dream Study Groups Program and worked on improving our Online Courses. We created and published the new **IASD Principles of Community** on our website. And as IASD does every year, we made big plans. We planned a conference in Arizona, and regional gatherings in Oregon and Europe. Then the "*empty outdoor mall*" from my dream took on a new level of precognitive meaning when a global pandemic took over the world—emptying streets, forbidding travel or gatherings, and changing our waking lives into what often felt like a surreal nightmare.

People all over the world quarantining at home started reporting the phenomenon of increased dream recall. People wondered, "Why are we now remembering our dreams?" A few weeks into the pandemic lockdown, I had a lucid dream with just these two sentences:

*This is not a time to give in.
This is time to build strength from within.*

Finding courage and strength in dreams empowers us to face the challenges in waking life. Gathering in groups that we love, when not possible in waking life, is still possible in dreams. When we are able to slow down enough to listen deeply, to ourselves, to others, to our dreams, to nature, to humanity and our impact on Earth—we are able to see there are many valuable lessons. Compassionately taking care of ourselves and each other physically in the age of Coronavirus has required a great amount of discipline and awareness. Many began learning about the importance of getting enough sleep, remembering dreams, and learning how to process those dreams that are remembered. Turning to our dreams for safety and hope, comfort and freedom, love, adventure or a dash of wonder helps us first and foremost, survive. From a place of renewed strength and courage, our dreams can then help us solve problems, improve mental health, work with the options we have, and apply what we have learned in dreams to transform as much as we can in waking life.

Having dreams suddenly in the world spotlight was in alignment with IASD's mission to "promote an awareness and appreciation for dreams in both professional and public arenas" and became a wonderful opportunity for IASD members to more widely educate the public with what we know and love about dreams. How exciting that

those who were previously ‘asleep’ to dreams are starting to catch on to the value of dreams, and IASD is well positioned to help dreamers educate each other about dreams. Although surely Covid-19 dreams weren’t the only kind of dreams increasingly recalled by dreamers around the world, we took the important step of creating a “Covid-19 Dreams Media and Research” portal on the IASD website to organize many esteemed IASD members’ interviews and articles, podcasts and research about the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic on dreams and dreaming.

...a deep canyon in the shape of an elephant’s ear...

My dream about listening deeply was also addressing the “elephant in the room.”

As we all know, the murder of George Floyd sparked international protest. As painful as it can be, the conversation about entrenched systemic racism and the generational trauma associated with it has begun in the IASD Facebook group. Important questions are being asked about racism and intolerance, in the world, in America, and within our international organization. This is absolutely the right time to be asking the hard questions and having dialogue so that IASD can find its way into a future that is more culturally sensitive, inclusive, and diverse. This difficult conversation is also a blessing.

Black lives matter, Indigenous lives matter, and People of Color matter. IASD stands united with all members of the community who are experiencing anguish and anger in light of the numerous repeated and inhumane acts toward BIPOC communities. It is our responsibility, as members of a vibrant organization that spans almost 40 countries, to speak out against racism, dispel fears and stereotype and condemn discriminatory behavior.

This past year I have been working with the IASD Executive committee to start tilling the soil for initiatives respecting more cultural sensitivity, inclusiveness, and diversity at IASD. The new “IASD Principles of Community” states:

The International Association for the Study of Dreams is committed to promoting an environment that supports every person in an atmosphere of mutual respect, cooperation, professionalism, and fairness. Realization of this commitment requires awareness and active participation by every member of our community.

IASD holds the following values to be important to its mission, and asks that those participating in IASD events as a presenter or attendee, strive to honor and help create an atmosphere supportive of these values:

Receptivity:

An open, respectful exchange of ideas, including cultural, scientific, and arts-based investigations into dreams and dreaming.

Diversity:

A constructive educational environment for participants at conferences and other activities, that welcomes the multiplicity of different approaches to dream studies, and strives to create an open, inclusive atmosphere of mutual respect.

Integrity:

A community that aspires to practices of the highest quality at annual conferences, regional events, online courses, and online conferences, based on a foundation of ethical principles of dreamwork.

Dignity:

Fairness, respect, and individual dignity. The promotion of a safe environment that is free from any type of harassment or abuse. IASD does not condone discrimination based on sex, race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, culture, national origin, religion or spiritual beliefs, ability/disability, language, political ideology, or socioeconomic status, and seeks an environment free from sexual harassment and abuse of power.

Before the June conference was canceled due to Covid-19, we wrote and published a statement online called “Cultural Appreciation” for the Dream Ball, and for months I have been in discussion with Advisors to the Executive Committee about an intentional inclusive process for BIPOC with expertise or interest in dreams. We intend to redouble our efforts to apply our principles toward practical areas for expanding the ethnic diversity of the IASD and the dream studies community. IASD will increase the ethnic diversity of its invited speakers at future conferences, bring BIPOC voices into the IASD nominating committee, and actively promote new conversations about dreams and ethnicity in our conference panels, publications, and online platforms. We pledge to take these actions, and we will hold ourselves accountable for their success.

Dreaming is a universal language that unites all people regardless of cultural, historical, and social differences. The opportunity we are faced with is a turning point in consciousness. Let us examine ourselves in the context of anti-racism, work on healing, and create an environment where everyone from all ethnicities will feel welcome when discovering the many benefits and wonders of our dream community in the IASD.

There is a lot to look forward to in the immediate future of IASD *online*. For example, on the IASD website (asdreams.org) you will see that starting September 1, 2020 the second round of the IASD Dream Study Groups Program will begin and registration for that is already open. We are also introducing the new “Many Worlds of Lucid Dreaming” online conference, hosted by Robert Waggoner and Ed Kellogg, for two weeks from October 31 to November 14.

Although we have so much gratitude for the technology that is helping us stay connected in cyberspace, many of us are hoping for perhaps not so many Zoom meetings in the future. Our hope is to reclaim our full conference program next June in

Ashland, Oregon and look forward to gathering with you in person, so stay tuned for more information and updates about 2021. In the meantime, here we are, together for IASD's *Special June Online Offerings*, which include a Keynote event, a Precognitive Dreaming Contest, An Online Dream Art Exhibition, and this Annual Membership Meeting. We have also held onto the dates of our meetings this week with the IASD Board of Directors, and soon will be opening an online store filled with uplifting new IASD merchandise designed by Delia Puiatti.

Did you know that IASD is a volunteer run organization? So much love and generosity of spirit keeps this organization running. Donations and other creative contributions help IASD continue this important work, so thank you to all who have given generously to IASD or intend to this year. Your participation and involvement in the future is needed, welcome and encouraged.

Thank you, IASD Officers, Advisors, Directors, Staff, Volunteers, and Members, for all that you do for IASD. Thank you future members for joining us today, receiving everything you can from IASD, paying it forward and sharing what you learn about dreams to the people who are in need of such gifts. It will be my honor to serve you as President of IASD for a second year. In that time, I will continue listening deeply, taking action, or delegating to the best of my ability, and dancing with all of you into a more peaceful, inclusive future where Dream Studies are valued by the rest of the world.

Blessings on the *International Association for the Study of Dreams!*

Anna-Karin thanked Angel for her wonderful speech. Much applause and approval were seen in the audience and expressed in the chat. One chat comment by Bernard Welt said: "You knocked it out of the park Angel."

4. [IASD LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD]

The next agenda item was presented as an Unannounced SURPRISE ACTIVITY: The Presentation of an **IASD LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**. This award is created and presented by the IASD Board of Directors to those who have made enormous lifetime contributions to the study and understanding of dreams. Anna-Karin introduced David Kahn. David announced the awardee and elaborated on his achievements with the help of a PowerPoint slideshow.

David Kahn made the announcement that he was proud to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to his friend and colleague Bob Hoss. Bob Hoss was caught completely by surprise. A PowerPoint slide show was shared with all, highlighting many of Bob's contributions and including photos of Bob engaged in various IASD events.

David's presentation follows:
Hi Everyone!

I'm so honored to tell you that the **IASD** Lifetime Achievement Award is being virtually, and proudly, presented to my friend and colleague, Bob Hoss.

Over the last few years, well, 30 years, (**Photo Younger Bob-**), I've been fortunate to share, research and study dreams alongside Bob. From his hot tub under the stars in Arizona, to board meetings on his beautiful boat in sunny California, it hasn't been too shabby.

Please allow me to share a few words to praise Bob's super-powers.

(photo of Bob in Superman costume)

IASD *is* what it is today because of Bob. From his original research, to managing the annual conference, or his latest, monumental achievement, (**photo of dreams book**) – the co-editing of *Dreams: Understanding Biology, Psychology, and Culture*, Bob has proven to be IASD's own superhero.

Photo Signing book - Bob's passion is evident throughout his life's work. Based on decades of research, including the significance of color in dreams and dream language as metaphor, Bob has written and contributed numerous well received articles in peer reviewed journals, as well as authoring an important book such as *Dream Language: Self Understanding Through imagery and Color*, and co-editing *Dreams That Change our Lives*, as well as others.

(Photo of Lucid dreaming talk)

Bob finds time to promote and advance dream studies and dreamwork through radio interviews, lectures and workshops all over the world, just as he has for the last 40 years. These include the Hayden Institute where he is a faculty trainer.

If that's not enough, Bob is a past president and past treasurer. As treasurer, he even saved IASD from bankruptcy. Bob is also the founder and director of the Dreamscience Foundation, that together with IASD, provides funding towards dream research.

(Photo of Archetypes) - What else can this guy do? As annual Conference Director, his job is to not only make sure the conference happens and runs smoothly, but that it's profitable for IASD, too. He finds time to double and triple check that all presentations

and workshops are reviewed, and creates a complex schedule that includes as many as six or seven tracts.

Nothing could stop this guy, well, except a worldwide pandemic!

Bob is also a super family man, (Family Photo 1) with a wonderful wife Lynn, 2 daughters Kristen and Melanie, son in law and grandchildren. (-Family photo 2-)
(Photo of Bob at podium)

As you know, today Bob serves as Director of IASD, and as advisor to the Executive committee. He continues to study, research, write and work long hours. He inspires others to meet *his* vision for IASD. Why else do you think I'm 87 and still working? I can't stop until he does! (Black&white photo of Bob)-

No one is more deserving of this award than Bob. - Thank you from everyone at IASD for all your hard work, contributions, guidance and friendship. You truly are a superhuman. Congratulations on receiving an award you had no part in organizing. –
(SHOW, read CERTIFICATE)-

THANK YOU

A Certificate from IASD was displayed with the citation: "In recognition of your extraordinary and altruistic service to IASD, your support of Dream Research, and your Super-man heart." The International Association for the Study of Dreams awards this LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to Robert J. Hoss.

Many chat comments from the membership thanked and congratulated Bob. Anna-Karin asked people to unmute if they wanted to so he could hear claps and cheers. There was a roar of clapping from the crowd.

Bob was "totally surprised, extraordinarily honored, and quite a bit embarrassed." He made some comments about IASD being his second home for over 30 years. He was very thankful and delighted by the recognition. "Never in his wildest dreams" did he imagine getting honored with such an award. Anna-Karin mentioned that at next year's Ashland meeting, he will be presented with a physical award on stage.

5. Introduction of new slate of officers – Anna-Karin

This year the officers all agreed to serve for a second term to provide some measure of management continuity during these unusual times and were approved by the Board.

Executive Committee Officers:

President: Angel Morgan
Board Chair: Anna-Karin Bjorklund
Vice President: Michelle Carr
Secretary: Bob Krumhansl
Treasurer: Robert Waggoner

6. Introduction of new board members – Anna-Karin

Anna-Karin announced the new member elected Board Members to a 3-year term of service:

Katherine Bell
Harry de Bont
Isaac Taitz
Jeanne Van Bronkhorst
Linda Mastrangelo (re-elected)

7. Thank you to nominees considered but not elected and thank you to outgoing board members and officers. Presentation of certificates – Anna-Karin

She reminded the two nominees for election who were not elected, that should one of the new Board Members be unable to complete their terms, those nominated could be called upon to replace them. She thanked:

Remington Mallett
Walter Berry

Thanks were also given to the outgoing Board Members after 3 years of service:

Walter Berry
George Leute
Linda Mastrangelo (re-elected)
Julie Sparrow
Tadas Stumbrys

If the meeting had been in person each one would have received a printed Certificate recognizing their service for three years. It will be mailed to them this year.

Board-appointed positions: (approved at the Board of Directors Meeting)

Anna-Karin Bjorklund (re-appointed)
Bob Hoss (re-appointed)
David Kahn (re-appointed)

Below are the current details on Board-appointed and Member-elected Board members terms.

Terms expiring 2021:

Member-elected: Angel Morgan (Pres), Kim Mascaro, Michelle Carr (VP), Athena Kolinski, Jordi Borrás

Board-appointed: Jean Campbell, Robert Waggoner (Treasurer), Clare Johnson

Terms expiring 2022:

Member-elected: Loren Goodman, Laurel Clark, Ed Kellogg, Sherry Puricelli, Katja Valli

Board-appointed: Bob Krumhansl (Secretary)

Terms expiring 2023:

Member-elected: Katherine Bell, Harry de Bont, Isaac Taitz, Linda Mastrangelo, Jeanne Van Bronkhurst

Board-appointed: Bob Hoss, David Kahn, Anna-Karin Bjorklund (Chair)

8. Treasurer's report – Robert

Robert Waggoner started by saying he was happy to see 64 to 66 members in attendance at this time. He gave special thanks to Richard Wilkerson as the man behind the scenes helping everything run smoothly with the bookkeeping. This year Richard coordinated all the refunds for the cancelled events. He also gave special thanks to Bob Hoss who was able to negotiate a no-fault cancellation of the Conference in Arizona that could have had IASD on the hook for more than \$65,000.

As of May 31, 2020, IASD had \$272,000 in the bank, compared to \$288,000 at this time last year. Due to the cancellation of the Conference, IASD had to refund around \$65,000 to the Conference registrants. Many of the folks generously donated all or part of their refunded fees back to IASD as a donation to the amount of around \$11,000 to help the organization.

The four largest sources of income for IASD are:

Membership – Around \$50,000

Electronic Royalties (from the Journal Dreaming) – Around \$30,000 to \$40,000. He spoke about the increase in electronic royalties from last year around \$33,000 to this year's \$45,632 due to a change in the methodology of calculating royalties (Dreaming was ranked among the more prestigious publications) and savings in publishing & shipping costs by APA. Thanks to Deirdre Barrett and John Woodford coordinate this effort.

Annual Conference Net Income – Around \$40,000. This year the Conference had to be cancelled so a large portion of our traditional income is gone.

Donations – Currently around \$18,000. Jean Campbell has coordinated the annual fundraising activities. This year generous donations from registration fee refunds, and

for the Special June offerings have helped to offset the losses from losing the Annual Conference income.

The largest categories of expenses are:

Staff Payroll Expenses – around \$117,000
 Conference related expenses in a “normal” year – around \$90,000
 Operating Expenses and Credit Card Fees -\$24,000
 Dreaming publication - \$19,000
 Dreamtime publication - \$11,000

Last year, Income was around \$374 (including a large donation of \$100,000) and expenses were around \$301,000. This year, the expenses remain similar while with the loss of the Conference this year, our income will drop. The net effect may be around a \$50,000 loss, given this unusual year.

Robert offered to answer any specific questions through email or within the “chat” function. He thanked the general membership for their continued support with donations and participation in IASD activities throughout the year.

9. Membership Committee report (including remembrance of members who have passed away) – Anna-Karin on behalf of Sherry Puricelli

IASD members are from 38 different countries. Total membership for this year is 570, compared to 596 in 2019, and 603 in 2018.

STATUS REPORT:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, as of May 19, 2020

38 COUPLES
352 INDIVIDUAL
18 LIFETIME

36 PATRON
69 RESTRICTED INCOME
30 STUDENT

13 COMPLIMENTARY

13 ORG/CORP 1 (50 or fewer members)
0 ORG/CORP 3 (300 + members)

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP = 570

*** (Note: figures may not perfectly align with the Treasurer’s report due to duplications, cancellations, changes in member status and other issues.

Anna-Karin may be contacted for a copy of the full report.

Overview: Over the years there have been multiple projects and initiatives to increase IASD’s visibility and attract membership. Those initiatives have helped IASD become what it is today. Feedback has indicated that long term members remain loyal. However, new members continue to state that they didn’t know about IASD. In addition, new membership has declined.

Call to action: Many members have expressed disappointment that we won’t be meeting in person for a conference this year. People state they are missing their dream tribe. **With this desire to connect there may be increased opportunities to join together and bring visibility to IASD.**

Many members are working from home due to Covid 19. Several members have written articles, been on radio, television, or social media to discuss dreams. **We all, as dream enthusiasts and members of IASD, can share the information and mention IASD and membership.**

Strategic initiatives: There may also be opportunities to target initiatives toward specific specialties such as researchers, students, teachers, artists, as well as those with a general interest in dreams. **We invite individual outreach and inter-committee collaboration.**

Together, we have an opportunity to strengthen and grow IASD membership. Within our committees and as individual members, we all have important roles to play.

A moment of Silence was held for members who have passed away during the year:

Janet Garret

Rosemary Ellen Guiley

Laura Lefelar

Dominique Potts

10. Student Awards announcement – Curt Hoffman

Crut announced the awardees for this year:

The Student Research Awards Committee has considered the submissions received this year, and we have agreed on the following:

Quantitative Award: Katharina Luth, "Effectiveness of the Imagery Rehearsal Therapy for Nightmares in a Telephone Counseling "

Qualitative Award: Lana Sackwild, "The Healing and Transformative Potential of Lucid Dreaming for Mitigating Depression: An Interpretive and Phenomenological Analysis"

Qualitative Honorable Mention: Wania Shakeel, "What Are Dreams?"

Curt requested that any instructors encourage their students to submit projects for student award consideration. He also invited any interested people to join the Student Awards committee or a subcommittee.

11. Research Grant Awards announcement – Bob Hoss

2019 Cycle Awards

1) Claudia Picard-Deland, BSc; Karen Konkoly, BA; Wilfred Pigeon, PhD; Michelle Carr, PhD. University of Rochester Medical Center NY, USA. *Overnight serial awakenings to investigate the temporal and stage-specific aspects of memory sources in dreams.*

2) Pilleriin Sikka, MSc; Jarno Tuominen, MA; Antti Revonsuo, PhD; Katja Valli, PhD. University of Turku, Finland. *Affect Across Different States of Consciousness: From Dreaming to Waking Experiences.*

3) Remington Mallett PhD Cand.; Manuela Kirberg, Claudia Picard-Deland, Tore Nielsen PhD. University of Texas at Austin & Monash Univ; Université de Montréal. *Structuring the variety of sleep phenomenology with text mining.*

4) Dr Ceri Bradshaw PhD, Mr Richard Summers, PhD candidate, Dr Rhys Jenkins, PhD. Department of Psychology, Swansea University UK. *REM sleep, dreaming, and prefrontal cortex activity in regular cannabis users versus non-users.*

2020 Grant Award Cycle

The 2020 grant cycle will hold proposal reviews 15 October and make the awards in December as is usual. This year the finding appears to include \$4,000 which will come from the Dream Science Foundation and is matched by IASD, plus \$2,675 that came

from the 2019-year end pledge drive (\$1,575 donated from friends and family of Laura Lefelar when she passed away, plus another \$1,100 in miscellaneous donations). This is a total of \$10,675. In addition, there is a \$1,000 in reserve for PTSD research studies.

12. Donations and Contributions – Jean Campbell

Jean recognized the contributions resulting from Laura Lefelar's (New Jersey Therapist and IASD Member) request at her funeral that donations be made to IASD for Dream Research. Around \$2,000 were donated in her name.

There was also an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to support future projects related to Dreams and Children.

Tracking Donation Funds

Because it is traditionally the duty of the IASD Development committee to track and account for donations made during the annual Pledge Drive, it seemed logical that this year two sources of donations: refunds from the cancelled annual conference and subsequent donations, be tracked by the Development Committee.

Another source of donation income has developed from the recently-created Special June Online Offerings. These donations will be reported here as well.

Annual Conference

The decision that the annual conference would need to be cancelled, and the final resolution with the conference hotel, was announced to the IASD membership on April 3, 2020 with the caveat that those who had already registered for the conference could receive a complete refund of their registration or could, if they wished, return part or all of their refund as a donation to IASD to help cover the considerable loss of income incurred by cancelling the conference.

Between April 3 and April 15, 2020, generous IASD members donated back a total of **\$10,130.00** from registration funds. Subsequent donations made between April 30 and May 18, 2020 from people who had not yet registered for the annual conference or who had registered for the Ashland Regional Conference (which also had to be cancelled) totaled **\$655.00** bringing the total of donations from this activity to **\$10,785.00**.

It should be noted that all of these very welcome donations were made spontaneously, from a membership which clearly values IASD and feels the need to maintain support in good times and bad.

Special June Online Offerings

When a set of Special June Online Offerings was created by the IASD Executive Committee and announced in mid-May, 2020 in the IASD *Dream News*, a similar thing happened.

First, people volunteered their time and resources. In addition to the Executive Committee and Board members who volunteered to put two Board meetings and the annual Membership meeting on the IASD Zoom platform, with assistance from Richard Wilkerson, Laura Atkinson and the *Dream News* staff led by Linda Mastrangelo, there were other volunteers. Keynote presenter, Dr. Leslie Ellis, volunteered to facilitate Keynote presentations online, given by herself, Robert Hoss and Michael Nadorff. Cynthia Pearson and Robert Waggoner volunteered to host a Precognitive Dreaming Contest, and the IASD Visual Arts Committee, with the assistance of Laura Atkinson, will set up an online art exhibit created from works supplied by dream artists who, though there will be no juried exhibition or prizes in 2020.

When the Special June Online Offerings were announced, it was made clear that, although no payment for these events was expected, but donations would be gratefully accepted, many people registering for the events stepped forward with donations. At this writing (May 23, 2020) there are 76 people registered for the Special June Online Offerings, with the expectation that by mid-June there will be well over 100 registrants.

Donations to date for these events is at **\$1,575.00**

13. Conference 2020 announcement – Bob Hoss

“You are at it!” opened Bob Hoss.

2020 - Doubletree Paradise Valley Resort, Scottsdale Arizona

Although our 2020 Conference has been cancelled, it appears that a lot of generous volunteers came forth independently to create some virtual events for June 13th through 17th intended to reflect a few elements of the 2020 Conference. The **JUNE 2020 SPECIAL ONLINE OFFERINGS** included:

- a) **Keynote Speaker Webinar**, Sunday June 14 at 9 a.m. Pacific: A zoom webinar of interviews organized by **Leslie Ellis** to also include **Bob Hoss** and **Michael Nadorff**. Donation options in lieu of fixed fee.
- b) **Annual Membership Meeting** - Monday June 15 at 9 a.m. Pacific, on Zoom. Free. All members and non-members.
- c) **Online Art Show** - Tuesday June 16: to feature artists who had planned to present at the 2020 conference. Free on a web page for members and non-members. **Junlie Nauman** coordinated.
- d) **Precognitive Dream Contest**. Saturday 13th through Wednesday 17th **Cynn timer Pearson** and **Robert Waggoner** hosted.

e) **Board Meetings**, Saturday June 13 and Wednesday June 17 at 9 a.m. Pacific; on Zoom. **Anna-Karin** chair.

14. Conference 2021 announcement –Bob Hoss

2021 Ashland Hills Hotel & Suites, Ashland Oregon – Sunday through Thursday 13 to 17 June.

The CAC has held its transition and kickoff meeting for the 2021 conference. The planning is that this conference will have two local co-hosts (Angel Morgan and Kelly Bulkeley) who will be on the program committee and manage a theme track aimed at Dreams and the Arts. We will follow the same submission and presenter selection/scheduling process as we always do, which gives a chance for all who were approved presenters from 2020 to re-submit for 2021. We will try to create a simplified submission form for those who wish the re-submit that avoids a repeat of a full submission and the need to re-evaluate those that are exact carryovers – but their re-approval for selection would not be guaranteed and would be pending schedule limitations. Keynote selection will give preference to this theme as well but is pending since many of the keynotes and invited presenters were pre-selected as we selected keynotes for this last conference – so all that is to be worked out. Aside from dreamwork which occupies much of the workshop sessions, track chairs for the larger discrete tracks will include Angel and Kelly for the arts, Katja Valli for Research and Robert Waggoner for Lucid and Extraordinary.

Near term activities (June/July) include:

- a) Masthead and 2021 Ashland Web Site creation
- b) Call for 2021 Submissions – Bob Hoss, Katherine Bell, Robert Gongloff: strategy and revised online forms and instructions to simplifying call for those who are re-submitting a 2020 proposal.
- c) Call for Research Grant Proposals – Hoss. Normally in the conference program but will have to be sent out as a separate post in July.

Cancellation between now and 180 days prior to the conference (March 2021) amounts to only the loss in deposit of \$5,000.

2022 Lowes Ventana Resort and Spa, Tucson, Arizona – Sunday through Thursday – 17 – 21 July

This is one of the top two resorts in Arizona. IASD has negotiated very reasonable hotel rates for this Conference.

15. Dream Study Group Presentation – Angel and Michelle

The first round of the DSGP launched March 1st. We are now advertising for a second round through the Dream News, email blasts, and social media. Information about the DSGP can be found on the [splash page](#). The DSGP is a great way to stay connected to and help grow our IASD community online.

The first round had 6 groups of between 6-12 members, a total of 48 participants. This totaled almost \$3000 in profit for IASD.

For those who are unfamiliar, here is some info about the DSGP:

Dream Study Groups will follow the Foundation Series courses online over the period of one year in an engaging and interactive way, with access to forums and discussion questions every week.

- The cost for participation in the DSGP is \$50 for IASD members and \$75 for non-members

The Dream Study Groups Program will launch again September 1st, 2020. [Registration now open!](#)

Once registered, the following steps will happen:

- DSGP Admin will assign enrollees to unique Dream Study Groups hosted by IASD Regional Representatives.
- Starting the week before September 1st, you will have access to the DSGP Tea Room, a global forum where dreamers can connect.
- Over the course of a year, you will follow the Foundation Series along with your Dream Study Group, and you will be able to interact with your fellow Dream Study Group members in forums filled with topics for discussion.

16. Old Business

None

17. New Business

None

Anna-Karin then asked folks to unmute and ask any questions to see how it would work. Various positive comments were made on Angel's speech (Jody Grundy and others) and to the Board for the Special June Offerings, put together on such a short notice. Links were provided upon chat request to Angel's recorded speech, the Keynotes and Art Show. Laurel Clark mentioned ongoing activity on the IASD Facebook site, specifically a Dream Incubation exercise posed by Dolores Nurss focused on IASD's role looking forward. Tzivia Gover pointed out the 350 Dreams Facebook site focused on incubated dreams for Climate Change and Global Healing. A question was raised if the Tucson Conference would be in June or July. Bob Hoss clarified it would be in July. He gave the reason for a later mid-July date as very favorable hotel room rates and associated conference facilities. Cynthia Pearson addressed a question regarding the Pre-Cognitive Dream Contest. It is modeled on the Psiberdreaming Contest event with one target selected by a random number. There is still time to register. Dreams must be in by the deadline. Links were provided by Laura Atkinson in the chat box. Angel closed with a "Miss you all. Great to see you all." statement. With no more questions, Anna-Karin proceeded to the last Agenda item.

18. Adjourn

MOTION: Curt Hoffman made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Cynthia Pearson seconded the motion.

All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

Anna-Karin tapped the gavel to close the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned after 1 hour and 30 minutes.

For several minutes after the adjournment, but before the Zoom meeting was ended, members who stayed on greeted each other with video and audio active. The interaction was positive and joyful.

[72 Attendees throughout the Annual Membership Meeting. See attached listing.]