

Agenda (and minutes) for INA Business Meeting - Dusseldorf October 1, 2019

Present: Tim Shafer, Ellen Fritsche, Pam Lein, Harm Heusinkveld, Ed Levin, Helena Hogberg, Roberto Lucchini, Herman Bartstra, Diane Rohlman, Aaron Bowman, Michael Aschner, Barbara Viviani, Christoph van Thriel, Henri Schroeder, Ulrike Dydak, Nathalie Grova.

Welcome – Remco Westerink

1) **President's report** - Remco Westerink

INA is doing well.

We have a good, traditional INA (17) meeting here in Dusseldorf. Many young and new faces; would be good if we i.e., the mentors, can encourage them to become member.

Our membership has actually been slightly increasing (although paying membership dues still appears troublesome).

Following this meeting, the new executive committee will comprise:

President: Tim Shafer

Past-President: Remco Westerink

President-Elect: Pamela Lein

Treasurer: Harm Heusinkveld (continuing)

Secretary: Mamta Behl

Councillors: Helena Hogberg and Roberto Lucchini (both continuing)

Website editor: Helena Hogberg (continuing)

Welcome to all the new board members!

Thank you to past president Ed Levin, who ended his serving on the executive committee.

Special THANK YOU to past secretary Sandra Allen, who has been doing this for ages and has served INA excellently.

2) **Secretary's report** – Remco Westerink on behalf of Sandra Allen

Membership status and acceptance of new members:

We have 142 members (119 full + 23 students). They come from 23 countries from all continents except Antarctica.

Sandra will be transferring all files to Mamta Behl, who is the new secretary, in the coming days.

3) **Treasurer's Report** - Harm Heusinkveld

Paying membership dues, works via PayPal, currently 75 paying members (101 in 2016/2017).

Financially, the INA is doing good, slowly growing because of an increasing number of paying members and a slowly increasing income from sponsors (weblink etc). The new way of paying dues via Paypal invoice is considered an improvement. Nevertheless, the number of members who actually paid their dues for 2018-2019 was 25% lower than for 2016-2017, so another round of reminders will be sent before the end of the year. Early 2020 the invoices will be sent for the 2020-2021 period.

The INA treasury handled the INA17 registrations and payment of the bills for the meeting. It is expected that the meeting will break even.

4) **Website update** - Helena Hogberg

Website will have to be adjusted with the new board.

Christoph will contact Helena regarding other website software.

5) **Report of INA-17 meeting** - Christoph van Thriel

101 participants, good typical traditional meeting.

Congratulations to Christoph, Ellen and the local team for the excellent meeting.

6) **Status of INA-18 meeting** - Update by Tim Shafer/Ed Levin

INA18 will take place in/near Durham/Research Triangle Park, in April 2021

7) **Proposals for INA-19** in 2023

Henri Schroeder proposes a meeting in France for 2023. We also had offers/suggestions from Puerto Rico/China earlier. Tim, as new president, will follow up with a call for proposals in a future newsletter

8) **Any other business?**

Diane Rohlman suggested a joint INA/ICOH meeting in 2023 (as 2021 will not be possible). Diane and Tim will follow up to this suggestion.

9) Remco closes the meeting, Tim is now president of INA