

Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting
August 23, 2012

Meeting commenced at 9:03 a.m. Pacific Time

1. Kimberley Rau, Laurel, MD, Region II Director, was sworn in by IIMC President Brenda Cirtin; Kimberley was congratulated and welcomed by all.
2. Roll call taken by Executive Director Chris Shalby; the following were in attendance:

Brenda Cirtin, President
Brenda Kay Young, Vice President
Colleen Nicol, Immediate Past President
Shawn Cullinane, Region I
Vincent Buttiglieri, Region II
Kimberley Rau, Region II
Tiny Washington, Region III
Pattie Dupuis, Region IV
Mary Kayser, Region IV
Debra Batliner, Region V
Terri Kowal, Region V
Linda Rappe, Region VI
Roxanne Schneider, Region VI
Kittie Kopitke, Region VII
Lana McPherson, Region VII
Donna Geho, Region VIII
Stephanie Kalasz, Region VIII
Kristie Smithers, Region IX
Joan Tilton, Region IX
Laurie Darcus, Region X
Gail Pomroy, Region X
Chris Shalby, Executive Director

***Not in attendance:**

Marc Lemoine, President Elect
Linda Spence, Region I
Sam Shippen, Region XI
Ronny Frederickx, Region XI
Kelly Lovette, Region III (came on at the end of call with apologies for not participating due to her city/state being in a state of emergency with predictions of a hurricane).

3. **Report of Blue Ribbon Committee:** (In regards to dual certification for CMC and MMC designations for Regions X and XI)

The Blue Ribbon Committee provided a report to the Board on streamlining and embellishing the process of Region X and XI members working toward their CMC and MMC designations. Since the report was submitted, new information came to light immediately prior to the teleconference that needed input from the Committee. President Cirtin thought it best to table the discussion/report for 30 days in order to give everyone time to weigh in on the new information. Blue Ribbon Chair Colleen Nicol moved to table discussion/report for at least 30 days and Shawn Cullinane seconded the motion; motion was carried.

4. **Increasing Conference Registration Fees in 2013:**

Discussed the matter of increasing conference registration fees for 2013 by \$15 and the continuance of conference discounts offered in the past; Executive Director Shalby provided the report for the increase and stated that IIMC's last increase for its annual conference was in 2008. President Cirtin also provided an explanation behind the increase, citing the increased costs of doing business in future conference cities. Vincent Buttiglieri motioned for the approval of increasing conference registration fees and continuance of discounts and Patty Dupuis seconded the motion; motion was carried.

5. **Increasing Membership Dues in 2013:**

Discussed the matter of increasing membership dues in 2013 by \$10 beginning with the January 2013 billing cycle. The following comments were received:

- Shawn Cullinane – expressed concern regarding the drop in membership and fears that with the increase in dues more members will drop. Cullinane also asked why there would be no increase in Region XI dues. Executive Director Shalby explained that while there has been a drop in membership, the new membership drive has brought in about 170 actual “new” members; as for Region XI, IIMC has affiliation agreements with those countries; however, it will look into raising dues at a future date.
- Debra Batliner – also expressed concerns with the drop in membership and late/non-paying members.
- Linda Rappe – expressed concerns with the drop in membership due to the economy and recommended that IIMC look into a \$5 increase instead of \$10.
- Lana McPherson – expressed concerns with the increase in both membership and conference registration fees with regards to the smaller towns/cities that have to work with a low budget. Kansas clerks must file their 2013 budgets by August 25th, and we were not aware of the dues and conference increases at that time.
- Stephanie Kalasz – agreed with the increase and asked if IIMC would consider coming up with payment options for its members. Executive Director Shalby explained that IIMC already offers payment plans for members upon request.

President Cirtin thanked everyone for their comments; Past President Colleen Nicol moved for the approval of increase of membership dues beginning with the January 2013 billing cycle and Brenda Young seconded the motion; motion was carried, with Shawn Cullinane and Debra Batliner casting dissenting votes.

6. Future Travels:

President Brenda Cirtin:

- September 4-7 – IMASA Annual Conference, South Africa
- September 11-13 – Wyoming Institute, Casper, Wyoming
- September 23-28 – Illinois Institute, IL
- October 10-14 – SLCC Annual Conference, Bristol, UK
- October 17-19, President Elect Lemoine – British Columbia Association Annual Conference, BC, Canada
- November 6-8 – Israel (IAM) Annual Conference, Dead Sea, Israel
- November 15-18 – IIMC Board of Directors mid-year meeting, Portland, OR

Additional Announcements:

- Laurie Darcus – Region X: Announced she will be retiring in September 2012.
- Brenda Cirtin – President: Announced that she has contacted all committee chairs for status/updates on current committee work and thanked everyone for their hard work.
- Region Directors – Discussed their travel and attendance to various region meetings, annual conferences and institutes.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.