

MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 2004 – MAY 2005

Paris Congress

- The Committee is responsible for overseeing the Bursary Fund and this requires 2 things. Firstly contributions from associations and sections to the fund. ASTIN has already made a generous donation of C\$25,000 and has also offered to make a further donation of up to C\$15,000 to match contributions from other sections and associations. Secondly we require nominations for individuals to receive bursaries. These are to support leaders, educators and students from developing countries that can contribute to the development of the profession in their country.
- We are also keen to ensure the full participation of sections in the Congress.
- There is an outstanding issue of the need to develop guidelines for future Congresses.

Cape Town Congress

- The South Africans are making their plans for Cape Town 2010 and Desmond Smith will update the committee in Rome.

Sections

- I am delighted to report that there will be a preliminary meeting in Rome to take forward the creation of a Life Section. The intention is that the new section will be launched at the Paris Congress.
- The approval of new Rules for IACA is on the Council agenda for Rome.
- There have been issues concerning the collection of Section fees and we will be discussing this at the committee meeting in Rome.
- We are continuing to look at the definition of an IAA Section – what does it mean to be a section?

Individual membership

- A question has been raised about the precise status of all the other Individual Members (i.e. those who are full members of a full member association) and this is the subject of continuing discussion.

Non-native English speakers

- Following the report by Alf Guldberg's task force on this topic, the committee will continue to monitor the situation to seek to ensure the full participation of non-native English speakers in the work of the IAA.

Peter Clark, Chairperson

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