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Note taker: Manjula Tiwari

**Agenda**

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**Additional Information**

Special notes:
President’s overview  
Roldan Valverde  
4.12 pm

Valverde welcomes the membership to the ISTS business meeting and designates Frank Paladino as the Parliamentarian.

A Lifetime Achievement Award is given to Anne Meylan.

Conclusions:

Action items:  
Person responsible:  
Deadline:

Treasurer’s report  
Terry Meyer  
4.20 pm

Meyer went through the details in the below report and highlighted the following points:
- Valverde stayed within the budget the Board agreed upon.
- The ISTS has made social and green investments.

INCOME STATEMENT 2013

Revenue
Donations and Grants - Current  
132,120.00
Registration Current Year  
156,595.89
Auction  
20,119.79
T-Shirt Sales  
11,423.00
Other Income  
1,491.00

Total Revenue  
321,749.68

Expenses

Symposium Expenses
Facility, Food and Beverage  
229,859.27
Facility Audio Visual  
39,580.45
Travel Grants - Cash  
40,984.31
Entertainment  
1,600.00
Translation Services  
30,094.54
Student Awards  
2,900.00
T Shirts  
5,277.17
Participant Gifts  
12,654.35
Advertising  
381.34
Miscellaneous  
6,629.77
Printing  
5,629.45
Registration Expenses  
17,107.08
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<td><strong>Sub total Symposium Expense</strong></td>
<td>393,747.73</td>
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<td><strong>Operating Expenses</strong></td>
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<td>Accounting Fees</td>
<td>8,000.00</td>
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<td>Bank Fees</td>
<td>342.80</td>
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<td>BOD Retreat</td>
<td>24,108.20</td>
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<td>Investment Advisory Fee</td>
<td>1,163.00</td>
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<td>Office Expense</td>
<td>414.22</td>
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<td>Program Officer</td>
<td>300.00</td>
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<td>Treasurer Support</td>
<td>1,000.00</td>
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<td>Grants Issued</td>
<td>7,000.00</td>
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<td>Insurance</td>
<td>1,286.00</td>
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<td>gain/loss on Sale of Assets</td>
<td>995.00</td>
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<td>Prior Years Expense - Audit</td>
<td>8,000.00</td>
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<td><strong>Sub total Operating Expense</strong></td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL EXPENSE</strong></td>
<td>455,515.95</td>
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<td><strong>NET REVENUE (LOSS)</strong></td>
<td>-133,766.27</td>
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**ISTS DECEMBER 31, 2013**

**ASSETS**

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<td>Investment Account</td>
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<td>Prepaid Expenses - Next Meeting</td>
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<td><strong>Total Other Assets</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total Current Liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>231,316.12</td>
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<td>(133,766.27)</td>
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Valverde: Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report
Frank Paladino: Seconds

Discussion:

Membership: Last year the revenue registration was 159K, what is it this year and how many people have registered?
Meyer: The financials for this Symposium are still incomplete, but it exceeds what was planned on. 148K was the revenue in Registration. Total revenue so far is 333K and will increase. Symposium expenses may be around 270K and Operating Expenses about 37K. The Net Revenue is positive at 24K. This is still incomplete, but we will end up probably neutral or in the black.
Membership: Is the deficit from last year being overcome?
Meyer: The meeting this year is okay and we hope it will offset some of the loss from last year. Probably will end in the black.

Call the question: Jim Spotila
Panagopoulou: Seconds
1 opposed
Motion passes
**Conclusions:**

**Action items:**

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**Travel Committee Report**  
Alex Gaos  
4.40 pm

Gaos goes through the Travel Committee allocations below. Only accommodation was provided to grant recipients this year.

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<td>40</td>
<td>225</td>
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<td>$35,840</td>
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Valverde: Motion to accept the Travel Chair’s report  
Frank Paladino: Seconds  
Motion passes unanimously

**Conclusions:**

**Action items:**

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**Student Committee Report**  
Itzel Sifuentes  
4.45 pm

Fuentes provides the below report on the 4th year of the Student Committee:

--Students requested feedback for 30 orals and 70 posters. There were 41 Evaluators.  
--Below workshop was organized:

![Student Committee document was drafted:](image-url)
Document contents:
Volunteering & Internships - 28
Paying Participant Programs - 8
Paying Internship Opportunities - 2
Paid Internships - 4
Scholarships - 2
Courses - 2
Graduate and postdocs opportunities - 19
Job opportunities - 12
Conclusions:

Action items: Person responsible: Deadline:

By-Laws and Constitution  Jack Frazier  3.35 pm
Frazier provides the background on how the revisions of the By-Laws and Constitution were undertaken:

- A few Board members (known as the Huatulco martyrs) went through detailed revisions of the two documents at the Symposium in Huatulco.
- Subsequently the Board was updated
- Past Board members and many people involved in the ISTS governance were invited to comment on the revisions.
- A new version was presented to the Board at the 2012 retreat – 2 days were spent on it.
- Another set of revisions was done and in June 2013 the documents were posted online for the membership to review.
- No comments were received by the deadline of December 2013.
- More announcements and requests for comments went out, but none was received.
- The documents now need to be approved here at the Plenary by the membership.

Frank Paladino: Move to accept the documents as presented on the internet and as posted.
Valverde: Seconds
Frank Paladino: Call to question
Valverde: Seconds
2 abstain
Motion passes

Conclusions:

Action items: Person responsible: Deadline:

Resolutions  Cynthia Lagueux  4.55 pm
Lagueux: Move to accept the Resolution,” Resolution Urging The Government Of Australia To Protect Sea Turtles From Industrial Development In The Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area”
Sally Murphy: Seconds
Frank Paladino: Call the question
Valverde: Seconds
3 abstain
Resolution passes.

Lagueux: Move to accept the Resolution,” Resolution Urging The Republic Of Mexico To End High Bycatch Mortality And Strandings Of North Pacific Loggerhead Sea Turtles In Baja California Sur, Mexico”
Jim Spotila: Seconds
Jim Spotila: Call the question
Frank Paladino: Seconds

10 abstain
Resolution passes

Richard Reina thanks everyone involved in revising and commenting on the Resolutions.
### Conclusions:  

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| **Nominations Committee—Election results**  
Donnelly describes the process. There were 21 nominations for 7 positions and the officers elected are:  
President-Elect: Joanna Alfaro  
Board of Directors: Alan Rees, Mariana Fuentes  
Nominating Committee: Milagros Lopez-Mendilharsu and Alberto Abreu Grobois  
Award Committee: Brad Nahill and Blair Witherington |

| **Conclusions:**  
Action items:  

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| **2015 Symposium overview**  
Yakup Kaska gives an introduction to the Symposium planned in Turkey in 2015.  
Location: Dalaman, Turkey  
Dates: 19-24 April 2015  
Jacques Fretey requests an emphasis be placed on Africa because of its proximity to the Symposium location. |

| **Conclusions:**  
Action items:  

Person responsible:  

Deadline:  

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| **Other business**  
Frank Paladino receives the Lifetime Achievement Award  
Marydele Donnelly: When we talked about bringing the Symposium here, we discussed that TEDs are not enforced here. My organization was the one that put forth a Resolution for the TED issue in Louisiana. Apparently, there are forces at work here that may overturn the law and the Board decided |

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not to put the Resolution forward. I understand, but no one came forward and sat down with us and explained why this opportunity was missed. I say respectfully this was not a democratic process. Valverde: I wanted to promote this change as well when I brought the Symposium here and I am not privy to the details. Cynthia Lagueux can explain it. Lagueux: There is a lengthy process for a Resolution—this one went out to 9 reviewers, and the results were presented to the ISTS Board of Directors. The Board decided to not put it forward. If no further actions are taken by the State of Louisiana, then we can reconsider it. Todd Steiner: I thank the Board for the hard work. My issue is with the process. Revise the process. I have been a member for a long time. Previously people interested in an issue would meet up, write it, present it to the membership and the membership would vote. Now the Board votes. It was posted for a couple of days and there was no discussion. I recommend the old process. Frank Paladino: The Board should make sure they have more voices to comment on the Resolutions. Should be like the election process so that comments are received from everyone. Tony Nalovic: This Resolution was very politically charged in a State that is politically charged. This Resolution is not the best thing at the moment as it may have created conflicts. Membership: The Board is the first hurdle to clear. We should vote as a body. Cathy Campbell: Can there be feedback? Board’s feedback was that it did not meet the ISTS Mission and Vision. In the past, half-baked resolutions were put forward —new Resolution guidelines were introduced to clean up the process. Jim Spotila: Officers of the ISTS could visit key people in Louisiana and request private meetings and tell them that they saved them from public embarrassment. Valverde: Invited Governor Jindall to attend the Symposium. Better to have a Resolution that is less confrontational. Need to see how to move things. Membership: Need feedback from the membership for a democratic process. Frank Paladino: Board is elected to make strategic decisions so they can decide.

Other comments: Kiki Jenkins: Need the high-income option in Registration.

Jim Spotila: Move we adjourn the Plenary
Frank Paladino: Seconds

Conclusions:

Action items: Person responsible: Deadline:

Additional Information
Meeting adjourned at approximately 6.00 pm