Board Meeting of the 37th Annual Sea Turtle Symposium  
Date: 18 April 2017  
Las Vegas, USA

**President’s Overview**  
Hotel was overbooked so we met our room block. 700+ participants had registered.

**Nominating Committee**  
The Chair of the Nominating Committee, Kate Mansfield, provided an overview of the process. The Board will review recommendations by the Committee at their August retreat.

**Student Committee**  
The Chair of the Student Committee, Itzel Sifuentes, described the activities planned for the Symposium. This presentation was subsequently shared with the membership at Plenary.

**Travel Committee**  
The Travel Committee Chair, Alex Gaos, presented allocations of travel grants this year, which were subsequently shared with the membership at Plenary.

**Student Awards**  
The Chairs of the Student Awards, Matthew Godfrey and Andrea Phillott, provided details on the number of judges and presentations at the 2017 Symposium.

**Grassroots Awards**  
The Chair of the Grassroots Awards Committee, Ingrid Yanez, gave an update on the procedures implemented this year.

**Awards Committee**  
Number of Lifetime Achievement awardees will be reviewed and discussed at the Board retreat in August.

**Treasurer’s Report**  
The Treasurer, Terry Meyer, provided an update on the financial status of the ISTS, which was subsequently presented at Plenary.

**Ethics code**  
Andrea Phillott shared an update draft of the code, which was subsequently presented and discussed at Plenary.

**2018 Symposium**  
Yoshi Matsuzawa presented an update on the plans for the 2018 Symposium. A similar presentation was done at Plenary.

*Members in attendance: Joanna Alfaro, Andy Agyekumhene, Yoshi Matsuzawa, Laura Prosdocimi, Manjula Tiwari, Terry Meyer, George Balazs, Andrea Phillott, Alejandro Fallabrino, Frank Paladino, Roldan Valverde, Alan Rees, Jeanette Wyneken, Pam Plotkin, and*
Mariana Fuentes.

Observers: Ingrid Yanez, Alex Gaos, Matthew Godfrey, Brad Nahill, Kate Mansfield, and Itzel Sifuentes.