## **2005 Business Meeting Minutes and Financial Statement**

IPSA RC 28 Annual Conference 2005 in Menaggio, Italy

**BUSINESS MEETING** 

Tue Oct. 4 6:30 p.m., Grand Hotel Victoria and (continuation)
Fri Oct. 7, time and venue to be announced on Tue

**AGENDA** 

Welcome and opening of Conference (Uwe Leonardy) Organisational announcements for the Conference (Maureen Covell and Bob Williams)

Approval of agenda

Minutes

There being no business meeting in 2004 (due to postponed Ontario conference) there are no meeting minutes. Attached are the activities reports for 2003-5 submitted to IPSA this year.

Treasury Report

Attached are the 2003 and 2004 end of year financial statements submitted to IPSA. The major changes in 2005 are as follows: a. \$780.00 US was returned to McMaster University for the state of the discipline project book. The authors were not able to produce the book in time to spend the money. However, Michael Stein has assured RC 28 that this money will be dedicated to indexing costs. Thus, all book royalties will go directly into our treasury when it is produced.

- b. RC 28 was granted another \$500.00 US grant from IPSA in June, 2005 to update its website and to help produce its Directory of Federalism Experts. Agreement on Co-operation with Forum of Federations a. Presentation by Uwe Leonardy and discussion of the Agreement (attached; the text will also be published in the next Committee Newsletter)
- b. Directory of Federalism Experts (No. 2 of the Agreement): Sub-Committee already formed and announced:

Ajay Mehra, India Robert Agranoff (coord.) John Kincaid Forum staff replacement for Karl Nerenberg

- c. Publications (No. 3 of the Agreement): Report on details of implementation
- d. Procedure for proposing suitable experts for the events of the Forum (No. 4 of the Agreement): Report
- e. Data Bank Project (No. 5 of the Agreement): Report and forming of Sub-Committee, enlisting of volunteers and appointment of co-ordinator

Renewal of Committee

IPSA has renewed RC 28 for another six years. A copy of the letter will be distributed.

2006 World Congress Programme

Report: Maureen Covell

RC 28 has two federalism panels approved. Thus far, three paper proposals have been submitted. Anyone wishing to submit a paper should send it to Maureen Covell and Bob Agranoff. There has been some difficulty in registering abstracts/papers electronically with IPSA. Bob's assistant Juan Pedroza (jpedroza@indiana.edu) will help enter all RC 28 panels. Attached is the call for papers for the two panels.

## Menaggio paper abstracts

Please send your Menaggio paper abstracts to Bob Agranoff so that they can be included in the next newsletter. Be sure to include your affiliation and e-mail address.

## Questionnaire for Directory of Federalism Experts

Soon you will be receiving a request to complete the Directory of Federalism Experts form. If you wish to be included please send back to Indiana University (Patricia Withered).

Suspension of involvement in Federalism Report

The chair, with consultation from officers, has suspended our \$500.00 per year contribution and participation in The Federalism Report. There have been difficulties and misunderstandings with regard to deadlines, submissions. The last deadline was met, six months elapsed, and then Bob Agranoff was told that his material was dated. At that point he suspended involvement. Moreover, the APSA 400 strong section on Federalism/IGR has completely pulled out, so we can no longer reach them by the Report. With dues payments lagging and IPSA grants increasingly dedicated (they will not fund the Report because they fund our own electronic newsletter) participation is not feasible. The ensuing need for suspension will have to be discussed.

Nominations Committee for Officers and Council 2006-2009 Report; the Nominations Committee includes: Lloyd Brown-John, Chair, Canada Gisela Faerber, Germany Dirk Brand, South Africa

Outstanding Scholar Award Committee Rudolf Hrbek (Chair), Germany Alan Tarr, U.S. Cheryl Saunders, Australia Miscellaneous RC28 Financial Statement 2004

Income	
2003 Dues Paid	\$180.00
Carry Over, Non Encumbered (\$860.00 U.S. Dedicated forState of Discipline not included)*	\$427.06

IPSA Grant 2003 (delayed until mid-2004)**	\$500.00
IPSA Grant 2004	\$500.00
Total Non-dedicated Income	\$1,180.00
Expenses	
Newsletter/website maintenance	\$633.75
2003 (cancelled) meeting expenses	\$81.50
Federalism Report payment	\$500.00
Expenses of carry-overs from IPSA check-offs, low income country members, postage for those not on electronic mail	\$87.83
Total Expenses	\$1,303.08

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Our account continues to hold back the equivalent of \$1,000.00 Canadian to pay for the production expenses of the state of the discipline book as per grant from another IPSA RC. Returned to McMaster University, grantee for IPSA in May, 2005.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Mostly used to pay deficit financing of \$371.53 carried by the School of Public and Environmental Affairs pending receipt of our 2003 award, received around 5/1/04.