

IATM Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday 7 April 2024, 13.30 (BST), 14.30 (CET)

Attendance: Joachim Breuninger (Chair), Martin Bütikofer, Oliver Götze, Meredith Greiling, Tiina Lehtinen, Sam Mullins (WEBEX), Stephen Quick, Carolin Ranke, Stefanie Rother, Heidi Rytty, Jiří Střecha, Peter-Paul de Winter (notes).

Guest:

Apologies: Anne Sophie Gutsche, Andrew Moritz, Anja Schaluschke, Laura Wright, Gabor Zsigmond

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomes all attendees in Berlin.

2. Approval agenda

Approved.

3. Minutes of last meeting

One note, in the U.K., the time was on February 15, GMT instead of BST. No further comment and the minutes are approved.

4. Matters Arising/Actions

1. None.

5. Conference in Finland

First of all we talked about the potential keynote speakers.

- SM introduces the director of the Ukrainian War Museum. This museum had to respond quickly to the war, their story could be very interesting for us. SM contacts the director (Yuriri Savchuk ??) and asks if he is interested in speaking. **Action SM**

- JB introduces the German organization that was set up to provide rapid assistance in emergency situations arising as a result of flooding, fire, etc. This organization was set up by the museums themselves and not by the Government. JB contacts the head of the Berlin branch, Peter Giering.

Action JB

One keynote speaker will speak in Tampera and the other will speak on the second day, it is possible for the speakers to tell their message online to us.

In addition, a number of non IATM speakers have registered and we noted during the discussion that these are probably professional speakers who want to earn a living from this. We even wonder whether some of them are allowed to travel into the EU (Syria). Are these interested parties aware of the fact that they will not be paid and that they will have to bear all costs themselves? The exotics will be thanked for their registration, stating that we will not be using their services. **Action TL.**

The Portuguese Carriage Museum has submitted a proposal for a lecture, we note that it is certainly very nice that they want to speak, but that the proposal does not fit in well with the theme of the conference.

The Hungarian proposal seems to be interesting.

JS also delivers a speech for the conference.

At this moment, almost all proposals have come from Finland. We would like to once again encourage all IATM members to submit a proposal for a lecture, JB will make a call for this. Action JB.

The format for the speakers is as follows:

- 1 hour in total;
- 3 blocks of 15 minutes for the speakers;
- 10 slides (maximum) per speaker;
- 15-minute round of questions at the end;
- the chairman sends and prepares some stimulating questions in advance.

Workshops:

- financial;
- risk collections
- environmental.

Duration: 60 minutes including a 10-minute group presentation.

Chairs: Meredith, Sam and Stephen.

There is still room in the programme for the theme: "news from the field", or room for the participants to tell something about their museum. There is also room for a Finnish workshop, a demonstration of a new working method.

The entire programme will be adapted to all new appointments and ideas. Action TL.

Finally: make sure to communicate to the IATM members good bookings and travel information, where do you need to be and at what time.

The conference fee will be €330 (basic), €350 (optional last day).

We will start the conference registration on June 1, 2024.

6. Conference 2025

JB proposes to organize the 2025 conference in Germany. The proposal is to do this in Frankfurt and Mannheim, from September 7 to September 9 and an additional day on September 10.

Topics could include:

- AI and its influence plus how we can deal with it;
- Decolonization of collections. (Augsburg)

In addition, it is suggested to look outside Europe. The last conferences were all in Europe.

Consider:

- the USA. JB will contact Eliot, possibilities for 2025 or 2026?

- Japan, what are our connections there?

Many participants are technically interested, how do we get connected to the next level? Tip: bring an internal talent to the conference! Maybe we can use skill bridge for this?

7. Archival strategy update

SM has recovered the old IATM archive, see also his report that has already been shared with the board members.

There is also part of the archive in Dresden. It is not clear whether this is yet complete.

We decide to build a digital archive, and we investigate option 3 of the options mentioned by SM.

We decide to list the names of all former presidents on the website.

We decide to collect all relevant data, CR coordinates this action.

Just as a reminder, we had already determined the items to be collected:

1. Annual reports;
2. Conference proceedings and reports;
3. Board reports;
4. Photos;
5. official correspondence;
6. Composition of the Board per year;

8. Statutes follow up

The amended articles of association have now been approved by the Board.

These amended statutes will be submitted to the General Assembly in Finland for approval. After approval, the amended articles of association are valid.

9. Composition of the Board

The current composition of the Board:

Name	Function	Start	End	Successor	Remarks
Sam Mullins		2019	2027		1 term after President
Oliver Götze	Treasurer	2019	2027		2 term
Peter-Paul de Winter	Secretary	2016	2024		Appointed as Secretary in 2017
Martin Bütikofer	Vice President	2017	2025		3 term
Stephen Quick		2019	2027		2 term after President
Jiří Střecha		2019	2027		2 term
Andrew Moritz		2015	2027		3 term
Gábor Zsigmond		2020	2024		1 term
Laura Wright		2020	2024		1 term
Anja Schaluschke		2020	2024		1 term
Heidi Rytky		2024	2028		to be appointed
Meredith Greiling		2024	2028		to be appointed
Tiina Lehtinen		2023	2027		1 term
Joachim Breuninger	President	2023	2027		
Carolin Ranke	Support of the board				no term

- Laura Wright resigns.
- Peter-Paul de Winter must step down as a board member by statute, but is willing to stay on as secretary for a subsequent term. The other members present agree to this.
- Anja Schaluschke has reached the end of her first term and can legally complete the second term. JB asks if she wants to stay on for a second term.
- Gábor Zsigmond is at the end of his first term and can legally complete the second term. JB asks if he wants to stay on for a second term.

This will be submitted to the IATM members for approval during the General Assembly.

There is room for a new board member, the director of the NY Transit Museum Concetta Bencivenga has been suggested. No decision has yet been made on this.

10 Newsletter, Homepage, LinkedIn, etc.

ASG is ill and therefore cannot participate in the meeting.

The newsletters have been well received, the website looks good, compliments for this. All participants in this meeting are very satisfied with all of Anne-Sophie's activities.

ASG will go on maternity leave in June, but there is currently no prospect of a temporary replacement.

11 Skill Bridge follow up

SQ's proposal will be discussed in the meeting. The text should be simpler, the jargon removed and more marketing influences have to be added.

The essence is that museum organizations are supported and not personal careers. The wish is for cross-pollination between two museums; what do you want to do?/what do you want to achieve?

Skill Bridge is only available to IATM members. The selection of new Skill Bridge projects will always be done by the Board.

We decide to do a test to get the program going in relations to the upcoming conference:



- 5 applications receive a budget of € 1,000
- it may not be at management level;
- the Board chooses and decides;
- it is about the content of the proposal, not about who is the first to make the proposal;
- based on travel and expenses.

We will assess the applications in June / July, perhaps by email. We link the proposals to the Skill Bridge program by substantiating them on the basis that it is an upcoming talent and not a cost saving.

Criteria:

- IATM-member;
- not a director;
- first time attendance.

Afterwards, a small report has to be written.

12. Any other business

We will stay affiliated to the ICOM.

Many thanks to Stefanie and Joachim for the excellent organisation of this meeting in Berlin.

Next Board meeting : June 6th online.

13. Closure

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Approved meeting schedule 2024		
February 8th	WEBEX	
April	In Berlin	7 and 8 April
June 6 th	WEBEX	
August 29 th	WEBEX	
September	Finland IATM Conference	8 – 12 September
October 3 rd	WEBEX	
December 5 th	WEBEX	

Peter-Paul de Winter
Secretary