

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

November 15, 2005

The meeting by conference call was called to order by Bob Kass, Chair at 4:35 p.m. Members of the committee present were Bob Kass, Chair; Marty Basta; Vanessa Conrad; Geoff Greenough; Dwayne Kalynchuk; Rachel Lazarus; Larry Lux; Ross Vincent; Zeferino Sanchez; and Diane Linderman, Board Liaison. Chris Champion was absent. Helena Allison, Chair of the APWA/SPWA/CZPWA Task Force was also in attendance. Kaye Sullivan and Nickole Blankenship staffed the committee.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 18, 2005 meeting were approved by consensus.

Future Reporter Articles

The committee will work on future articles for the *Reporter* during the next conference call.

Recommendations for Jennings Randolph Fellowships

Staff advised that as of August 31, 2005, the Jennings Randolph Fund recorded \$59,483. There may be some fluxuation of the market between the end of August and the time that funds are requested. However, before funds are requested, contributions from chapters (\$6,100) will be deposited to the fund which will raise the corpus to \$31,100.

Committee members had reviewed each of the Jennings Randolph applications and moved their ranking scores for each onto a prepared matrix. The number of applicants was narrowed down to two for each country. Staff was asked to request a proposed budget from each of those six applicants and advise them that they are finalists in the selection process. A suggestion was made to award two \$1,500 fellowships to Slovakia/Czech Republic; two \$1,000 fellowships to Mexico; and two \$2,500 fellowships to New Zealand. The committee will meet on December 1, 2005 to review the proposed budgets from applicants and make a final recommendation to the Eisenhower Institute.

Update on 2005-2006 Work Plans

The committee will have updates on work plans during the December conference call.

AMMAC Proposal to APWA

Bob provided information on the conference call held with AMMAC officials on AMMAC's proposal to APWA to carry forward APWA's agenda into Mexico and Latin America. Bob will make some modifications to the report and send to staff for the next conference call of IAC.

SPWA/CZPWA Spring Conference

Helena advised that SPWA and CZPWA are in the planning stages for their spring conferences. Helena is planning on attending.

Next Committee Meeting

The committee agreed to meet by conference call on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., Central. The next conference call will be December 20, 2005.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.