

All board members except Dr. Wimmer (excused); Dr. Ntoko, Dr. Ibidunni, Dr. Crook, and Professor Litian (excused) attended the meeting on 8/13/15 at Newman Conference Center Room 764 . Meeting started at 2:00 p.m. with Dr. M. Ruhul Amin, Presiding.

Resolutions of the Board:

President Amin welcomed and thanked the Board for the hard work each one has contributed toward the successful hosting of 2015 international conference. He specially thanked the Program Chair, Dr. Okpara. He presented the budget scenario of BAASANA and shared concerns over covering costs when more than a dozen scheduled participants did not show up (and also did not pay registration fees).

New Board Members were unanimously inducted: Dr. Jeffrey Krug, Dean of the College of Business, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; Dr. George Agbango, the Interim Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Rajib Sanyal, Dean and Dr. Alan Cooper, Associate Dean of Business School, Adelphi University, New York, Dr. Richard Jensen, Professor, Montclair State University, New Jersey.

Following resolutions were unanimously passed: (1) Current registration fee should cover (\$50) annual dues. Board members who cannot make to the conference due to unavoidable circumstances must pay \$50 annual dues before annual conference to stay current with their membership. (2) Charge \$50 co-author fee (if the co-author does not register and attend the conference). (3) To accommodate costs of no-shows, all participants must pay a deposit of \$100 (\$150 if co-authored) before their names could be printed on the program. The balance of the registration fee must be paid on or before the first day of annual conference. (4) Institute an early bird registration fee and an increase amount of late fee to \$100.

Dr. Amin thanked the Board for the above resolutions.

Dr. David Martin, Dean of Western Connecticut State University was named to Chair of a Sub-Committee of the Board to find sponsorship IJBAS (\$1500), He assured finding \$1500 for IJBAS.

Dr. Kathy Zeno coopted Dr. Richard Jensen, in the Subcommittee of Corporate Sponsorship. She announced the receipt of 2 student registration fees (\$300) from CVS and also announced product gifts from a company e to BAASANA participants this year. Dr. Zeno and Dr. Jensen will be working together for substantial corporate sponsorship in the future.

[For Corporate Sponsorship Sub Committee: Not discussed in the meeting but the items to may be considered by the Sub-committee for sponsorship are: Award Banquet (about \$3000-\$5000, Each of the 3 luncheons (\$2500, Conference Reception \$700; Tea/Coffee and Breakfast each day \$500, Baasana website \$500/year, Premises rental lease of i.e. each room rental (\$500-\$1000/day) of the Newman Center, and the like. Whole or partial supports are will be welcome]. [We could establish a sponsored fund for student registration support as a few students attended this year whose registration fees were waived]

Dr. Nazul Islam proposed hosting of Spring BAASANA regional conference in Scotland. This would be additional to our annual meetings in New York. He assured over 20 participants from personal contacts. Some Board members expressed interest in attending BAASANA conference in Scotland in late May. Dr. Islam will update the Board as he finds for information. Dr. Jenson will work with him via his contacts in Edinburgh.

Dr. Nick Koumbiadis indicated his willingness to explore hosting 2017 Winter-Spring Conference in Athens, Greece

Board meeting ended at 3:30p.m. with an optimistic note for future.