

ICAHM Bureau and Executive Committee 2018.10.24 18:00h

Restaurant La Taberna di Arnaldo, Via Teatro 8, 98065 Montalbano Elicona

PRESENT:

John Peterson (President)
Nelly Margarita Robles García (Vice-President)
Adrian Olivier (Secretary-General)
Matthew Whincop (Administrative Secretary)
Douglas Comer (Immediate Past President)
AnneMarie Willems (Executive Director, Friends of ICAHM)
Helaine Silverman (Series Editor)

1. APOLOGIES:

Alicia Castillo-Mena (Vice-President, Europe)

2. BUREAU AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Roles

Treasurer:

- to identify potential funding streams;
- with the Executive Director of Friends of ICAH, explore and develop an operational framework for conference budgets in order to help identify possible financial risks in the organisation of the Annual ICAHM conference.

Regional VPs:

- to encourage new membership in each region (especially emerging professionals);
- to inform Executive Committee of any regional issues relevant to the work of ICAHM;
- to promote regional meetings of ICAHM members as appropriate (in the context of other meetings and conferences). Prior proposals for each meeting, leadership, agenda, time, and place to be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee;
- to support the Administrative Secretary by participating in the examination of applications for Expert Membership of ICAHM.

3. ICAHM Conference

1. Discussion of the proposal by ICOMOS Chile to host the 2019 ICAHM meeting in Arica, Chile:

There has been some concern about the organisation of this proposed meeting and misunderstanding between ICAHM and ICOMOS Chile in the structure and timing of the meeting.

It was agreed that the President would respond to the latest communication from ICOMOS Chile agreeing to proceed with the conference with the following stipulations;

- **Timetable:** Executive committee considered that the timetable proposed by ICOMOS Chile (June 2019) was unrealistic and that the conference should be postponed until November 2019;

- **Themes:** ICAHM should organise the Scientific Committee and the Themes of the conference;
- **Excursion:** the conference should be conditional on successful scheduling of lodging and air travel for an ICAHM tour of Easter Island.

Executive Committee agreed that if ICOMOS Chile agrees with these stipulations then ICAHM will proceed with the conference planning and organisation.

If the Arica conference is not agreed for the 2019 Annual Meeting, then ICAHM will pursue scheduling the meeting congruently with the ICOMOS General Assembly in Rabat, Morocco, date TBD.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: As a result of correspondence with the President, ICOMOS Chile has agreed to hold the 2019 conference in November and that ICAHM will organise the Scientific Committee and the Themes of the conference.]

2. Venues for future annual meetings

It was agreed that future ICAHM meetings could be synchronised in place and time with General Assemblies as practicable, so that the 2020 meeting would be held in Sydney, Australia, and the 2021 meeting in the location of the General Assembly for that year.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: Invitations have also been received from Leiden, China, Beirut, and Sharjah.]

3. ICAHM regional meetings

The Europe VP proposed (by email) a session (possibly as a round table) at EAA 2019 (Bern) on the role of archaeology in the management of World Heritage Sites to discuss problems in the evaluation process and the interpretation of World Heritage Sites.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: The Europe VP has submitted a proposal to EAA for a session at EAA2019 Bern: *Archaeological Heritage Management: The Role of ICAHM in Supporting ICOMOS And UNESCO In the Context Of World Heritage* to be organised by the ICAHM Europe VP (Alicia Castillo-Mena) and the ICAHM VP (Nelly Robles Garcíá)]

The Europe VP also proposed that the forthcoming international Archaeological Heritage Conference in Madrid 2020 could provide a suitable venue for an ICAHM Europe contribution/meeting.

4. MEMBERS

1. Membership

- **Membership lists**

The Secretary-General will continue to clean the membership roster and will proceed to clarify the status of the c60 lapsed Expert and Associate members with ICOMOS Centre and the National Committees and report proposed membership changes to the Executive Committee (this could include considering the possibility of levying a membership fee).

- **3-year membership term**

The Secretary-General will propose a new mechanism for renewal status (possibly simply by requesting an updated CV)

2. Institutional members

After work to 'clean' the membership database has been completed, the Secretary-General will formulate proposals to clarify the status and function of the Institutional Membership grade.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: A request was received for ICAHM to become a partner in the Coalition for Archaeological Synthesis. Members of the Executive Committee were canvassed by email, and a clear majority were in favour of this proposition. The President has notified CfAS that the ICAHM Executive Committee has agreed to support a collaborative relationship and indicated that this would entail CfAS joining ICHAM as an Institutional Member.]

3. Friends of ICAHM

The Executive Committee agreed to appoint the Executive Director of the Friends of ICAHM as a voting member of the Executive Committee:

- 1 *to support fundraising and fiscal management for ICAHM through the Friends of ICAHM MOA;*
- 2 *To work with the ICAHM treasurer to develop a reporting mechanism for conference proposals and liquidations;*
- 3 *to coordinate with the treasurer to promote revenue streams managed by the Friends of ICAHM on behalf of and for the benefit of ICAHM.*

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: After considering points raised in email exchanges between Executive Committee members, the President has confirmed that a seat on the Executive Committee has been allocated to the post of the Executive Director of the Friends of ICAHM; this reflects the majority view of the Executive Committee.]

4. ICOMOS

1. UNESCO and ICOMOS engagement and representation

To be discussed at a future meeting

2. Emerging Professionals Working Group

The Secretary-General will canvass the Affiliate members of ICAHM to see if anyone is interested in representing ICAHM on the EPWG

The names of two potential candidates who could make suitable EPWG representatives were put forward.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: after the meeting it transpired that neither of the proposed candidates are members of ICAHM. The Secretary-General has now circulated the ICAHM Affiliate members asking for expressions of interest in taking on this role, and these will be considered by the Executive Committee in the New Year].

3. Sustainable Development Working Group

It was agreed to solicit for an ICAHM representative

4. Climate Change and Heritage working Group

The President will ask Will Megarry to serve as the ICAHM representative on the Working Group

5. Nature/Culture dialogue committee with ICOMOS and IUCN

The Immediate Past President will continue to represent ICAHM until work on preparing the draft declaration is completed

6. ICOMOS General Assembly, Buenos Aires (December 2018)

The President and Immediate Past President will represent ICAHM during the ICOMOS General Assembly in Buenos Aires at the Scientific Council (14:00-18:00, 4 December) and from 18:00-20:00 they will host an open meeting for ICAHM members in attendance at the GA and for interested persons who might want to consider membership.

The President will also attend the Emerging Professionals meeting on 5 December.

On 6 December the GA convenes, followed by the Advisory Committee meeting and election of officers from 11:00-12:30 and 14:00-18:00 and the ICAHM President will cast a vote for our immediate Past President Douglas Comer.

Later that evening a World Heritage Training Session will be held and the President reported that he will attend with an eye toward mentoring our emerging professionals and new expert members. He intends to raise the questions about confidentiality and sharing of documentation in order to host mentoring meetings with our own members at the 2019 ICAHM Annual Meeting in Arica, Chile.

The President will also be discussing the logistics of the Arica meeting with ICOMOS Chile representatives in order to start the planning for the meeting that has now been agreed for November 2019.

The President is looking forward to representing ICAHM at this first GA of his term, and in bringing resources and engagement for the ICAHM membership in the broader agendas and working groups of ICOMOS.

5. ISSUES

1. World Bank

ICAHM will seek an engagement with the World Bank to consider and recommend expert members as consultants to World Bank undertakings. The Executive Committee agreed and requested the Secretary-General and President to pursue this relationship and engagement.

2. Africa Initiative

The Immediate Past President provided an update about the African Initiative:

Sessions were held in 2017 at the ICAHM Meeting (Bagamoyo, Tanzania) and the ICOMOS General Assembly (New Delhi, India) with several follow-up telephone/video conferences with ICOMOS, African World Heritage Fund, and UNESCO Africa Desk. Possible models for further action include university involvement through the Africa World Heritage Fund as well as developing an international network along the lines of Cooperative Ecosystem to support research, technical assistance, education and capacity building that is responsive to long-standing and contemporary science and resource management priorities. Thought also needs to be given about how the Salalah Guidelines apply to Africa.

Work is progressing along these lines and no further action is required from ICAHM for the present.

3. Salalah Declaration and Guidelines

The Executive Committee agreed to request updates on the “Chinese annotations” and to consider these and other comments for possible revision of the Declaration. The President and Immediate Past President will pursue these discussions and possible action including revisions and motions to ICOMOS at a future General Assembly.

4. Identify topics

There was general support for the idea that integrity – especially in the context of serial nominations for the World Heritage List - could be a useful topic for ICAHM to pursue with ICOMOS in the future.

5. Publications

The Executive Committee agreed to support negotiations by the editorial board of the Springer Series with the Springer Press as well as with ICOMOS for joint publications, as appropriate and advantageous to ICAHM.

6. Strategic Plan/Business Plan

To be discussed properly at a future meeting

6. OTHER BUSINESS

The Executive Committee agreed to support Douglas Comer, Immediate Past-President in his intention to run for President, Advisory Council, ICOMOS, at the 2018 ICOMOS General Assembly in Buenos Aires, Argentina in December. The President will write a letter of endorsement to include in his application packet.