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IAM General Member Meeting, August 10, 2011, Hilton Hotel, Tel Aviv

PRESENT: Members of BoG: Bernhard Lazarus, Mel Borenstein, Motti Kedar, David Mandel,

Member of comptrolling committee: Eli Pollak

Executive Director: Dana Barnett;

1. Financial report of Mel Borenstein. Income is insufficient for balancing the budget this year. We have a problem with our budget since too much of it is for salaries.
2. The fact that we do not have recognition by the Israel tax authority is a real stumbling block for donations. 2/3 of our income is Israel and was given without getting tax credit.
3. Whenever you submit a report to income tax, you need a financial report and a verbatim report. The VR has to be done by Dana. She also needs a comptrollers report. We are missing one member for the comptrolling committee. It was decided to ask Professor Elisha Haas to join the comptrolling committee. He agreed.
4. We are past six months of salaries for Dana and Rachel and we have to pay pension. Pension implies 2/3 on IAM, 1/3 on Dana. The other option is manager's insurance 5% employee, 5% employer, which belongs to the employee. In addition you pay severance pay, which belongs to the employer until the day that employment is canceled. In addition there is 2.5% disability insurance paid by the employer but is voluntary. It was decided to pay for Dana manager's insurance while for Rachel it would be in the form of pension.
5. Bernhard noted again that we have a serious problem in raising funds.
6. The Board thanks Bernhard for his efforts during the Board of Governors meetings of the various universities and the excellent advertisements in the Jerusalem Post during that period. The Board also thanks Michael Gross for his efforts on this issue.
7. Dana reported on the various ongoing projects. First is an analysis on academic freedom, paid for in full by donations from Dr. Bollag and Eli Reinhart, total amount of USD 12,000 of which USD 6000 pays Ofira Seliktar and USD 6000 for IAM expenses.
8. Second project is analysis of syllabi of specific professors in the various universities. This is carried out by Yakir Plessner Chairman. Ofira will draw guidelines for the researchers. The academic committee will follow up on the research. Thus far USD 10,000 has been committed for this from the Orion Foundation. This is only 1/3 of the funds needed. Therefore only one researcher will be now hired and the number of professors whose courses will be studied will be reduced. This should then help in finding further funding. This project should help in testing whether the resolution of the Council for Higher Education demanding balanced courses.
9. The third project is establishing an IAM chapter at Ben Gurion University. Rachel is an MA student at BGU. The chapter is meant to enable students at BGU to approach her with problems with BGU staff members. The budget involved is Rachel's salary. Including her salary the budget should be NIS 5000 monthly. The Board approved this project subject to finding the financial resources needed for it. In the meanwhile the main emphasis of Rachel's work will go in this direction. Her salary is budgeted for this year, so this is acceptable and will continue until the end of this year.

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10. The next meeting will be in Bernhard's home on September 15, 19:30.

Written by Eli Pollak

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Minutes Meeting IAM June 2, 2011

Present: Bernhard, David, Mel, Brenda, Moti and Dana

Guest: Ofira Seliktar (wrote the minutes)

Reading of the minutes of the May meetings

Comments on the May meeting minutes.

Brenda: Because of JP mistakes we got the Jerusalem Post to publish this ad four times, beyond the Hebrew University, we have another ad coming out and we can choose when to publish it.

Dana: Tel Aviv U went relatively well, at BGU, was hard to distribute because there was a lot of security, we managed to distribute about one third in the auditorium before people sat down. I asked Rachel to go the hotel in Beer Sheva, to ask the reception to distribute the fliers to the rooms, she was asked not to distribute, otherwise they call the police! In Sdeh Boker, the auditorium locked, surrounded with security guards, Rachel tried to distribute it when the BOG came out of the bus but was stopped by security personnel.

Dana: The question is Hebrew University, should be distributed or not? I think its worth trying.

Minutes approved.

Bernhard: Short report on the meeting of the BOG of TAU, the question of the anti-Zionist professors was raised, but Rector Aron Shai, made a big impassionate plea that this is just a few professors, who are rebels, but the issue is not the number but the damage that is done is the issues. Bernhard sent a letter to the Minister and to President Klafter "an appeal to reason". The silent majority does not speak up. Our problems is we are not going a proper job. We need to have a proper response to Prof Carmi and a prompt one.

Ofira Seliktar proposal presentation: Identifying the goals of the IAM and three projects: 1) Academic Freedom. 2) syllabi project. 3), Deans and heads of department responsible for hiring and promotions. IAM members approved two first proposals, pending funding.

Brenda: We have to tighten up organization, with more leadership,

Mel: We have to identify the constituencies that we are working, if are working *Jerusalem Post*, we have to do the methods, different methods, if we can find someone who has some charisma, board members can do some of the work.

David: Mrs. Carmi had to publish a article in J.P. because she felt that she is vulnerable there.

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Mel; We need to write articles to the press. Use new technology, blogs, social media, documenters.

Bernhard: We must give up the pressure on the government and the regular people who would apply pressure.

Mel: The Christian caucus in Knesset – Pastor John Hagee, the left is labeling him. In the Knesset, we need to have input in the Knesset and government, and Moatza Lehaskla Gvoah.

Dana: The syllabi project, to look at the syllabus of selected professors The results will be sent to the CHE.

Brenda: Appeals to Moti Kedar that he should use the his public appearance.

Bernhard: How are we going to get to the population so they can pressure on the universities?

Moti: Can we record the lectures of the professors, is this legal? We need to seek legal advise.

Mel: Resolution: we should go with the two projects subject to funding. Keep up pressure on the board the government,

Dana: Approval of Rachel' Salary at 2509 + 100 phone + 100 traveling. Approved.

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