

**Minutes of the TIBs Members Meeting
ARNOVA Conference
November 2008
Philadelphia PA**

Attendees: Felice Perlmutter, Brenda Bushouse, Peg Hall, Roger Lohmann, Nuno Themudo, Angela Bies, Laurie Mook, Kelly LeRoux, Margaret Harris, Wolfgang Bielefeld, Jo Anne Schneider, Yuko Suda, Susan Ostrander, Robb Shoaf, Jim Mandiberg, Ann Sanders, Paula Kabalo, Darlene Rodriguez

Chair's Report: Chair Felice Perlmutter opened the breakfast meeting at 7:00 AM on Saturday, November 22 and welcomed all attendees.

She thanked Margaret Harris for her outstanding leadership as Editor of the TIBs Special Issue of *NVSQ*. The issue will come out in the fall of 2009. Felice also thanked the Executive Committee members of the Program, Membership, and Nominations Committees for their work during the year.

Election Results: Nominations Committee Chair, Peg Hall, thanked all the members who had been willing to run for office this year. In addition to Roger Lohmann, candidate for chair, and Kelly LeRoux, candidate for secretary, the slate included three at-large candidates: Angela Bies, Lenore Parker, and Nuno Themudo. The election participation rate this year was 32%.

The newly elected Executive Committee members, who will serve a two-year term from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 are:

Roger Lohmann, chair
Kelly LeRoux, secretary
Angela Bies, At-Large Member

Those continuing on the Executive Committee in their 2008-2009 term are:

Susan Ostrander, vice chair
Brenda Bushouse, treasurer
Jim Mandiberg, At-Large Member
Laurie Mook, At-Large Member

Bylaws Revision: As secretary, Peg Hall introduced a motion for a proposed Bylaws change, which had been submitted to the membership by email one month in advance as required. It states:

The immediate past Chair of the Executive Committee will serve for one term as an ex officio member of the Committee.

The motion was seconded by James Mandiberg and accepted unanimously by the members in attendance. It takes effect immediately, in accordance with the Bylaws of record.

The members also agreed to omit a duplicative sentence from the Bylaws as amended in 2006, in order to clarify the intent.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Brenda Bushouse reported that there are currently 122 dues-paying TIBs members. In 2007 there were 118 and in 2006 there were 120. Membership dues resulted in income of \$1220 in 2008, which is the only source of income. The balance carried forward is \$1,947.57.

Expenses in 2008 were charges of 10%, or \$122, paid to ARNOVA for administrative fees. The costs for the TIBs Members Meeting at the 2007 ARNOVA Conference were \$441. We will also have charges for the 2008 meeting, although they may not come in until 2009.

The current balance is \$3,045.57. The projected balance, after 2008 meeting expenses, is \$2,500.

New Business and Discussion: Felice asked the international TIBs members to introduce themselves and say a bit about their research interests. Paula Kabalo, is an historian from Israel, doing research on the history of non-profit organizations. Yuko Suda, from Japan, is interested in the boundary between for-profit and non-profit organizations, especially in the health field.

Felice summarized the Membership Committee Report and thanked John Whitman for chairing this committee.

She explained that the joint TIBS-CGAP Session had to be cancelled this year because of a family emergency for one of the key presenters. She thanked the organizers, Jim Mandiberg and Laurie Mook and expressed our hope that the session might be re-scheduled for next year.

Felice asked for suggestions on the use of the TIBs income. Suggestions included scholarships for graduate students, early career professionals, and professionals without institutional support who are presenting a paper.

Felice mentioned that as outgoing, and founding chair, she wanted to state again her intent that initially TIBs would be a forum for ARNOVA members interested in both established and developing theories, in issues that were under-discussed such as social justice issues, in the boundary between the for-profit and non-profit sectors. She asked for discussion of program and other ideas for the

future. Suggestions included

- Establishing an Ad Hoc Committee to review the use of accumulating dues. Jim Mandiberg is willing to chair the committee and Brenda Bushouse to serve.
- Making Theories, Issues, and Boundaries a conference track or a panel topic, Posting TIBs members publications on our section of the ARNOVA website, Seeking a cohesive way to attract international scholars to TIBs,
- Increasing the focus on issues and social movement theory,
- Holding an overview discussion of theories that are in use in the field
- Finding a way to make the Roundtable Discussions continue to be useful despite the noise level
- Re-considering the pre-conference meeting in order to have more time for topics of importance to the members, or considering a longer TIBs session on Saturday afternoon. Points were made that there were fewer people at the pre-conference sessions and that when there were pre-conference sessions, ARNOVA got complaints that the conference was too long. Only about 25% of ARNOVA members belong to a section, and many of those that belong to one, also belong to others, creating potential scheduling conflicts.

The meeting ended at 8:10 so that members could attend the TIBS Plenary scheduled for 8:15.

Submitted by Peg Hall
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