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Business lunch meeting International Association for Great Lakes Research

12:10 – 13:40hr Tuesday June 4, 2013 Purdue Memorial Union, North and South Ballrooms

Board members and guests at the head table Jim Bence (President) Jérôme Marty (VP; incoming president) Véronique Hiriart-Baer (Secretary) Robert Letcher (Past president) Samantha Oliver (Board member) Robert Hecky (Co-editor) Stephanie Guildford (Co-editor) Tomas Höök (Conference co-chair) Brian Miller (Conference co-chair)

No	Time	Item	Person re-
			sponsible
1	12:25	Call to order President Bence called the meeting to order at 12:31 and introduced the board members and guests sitting at the head table.	President Bence
2	12:25	Approval of meeting agenda Stephen Hensler put forward a MOTION to accept the meeting agenda. It was seconded by Mary Ginnebaugh and unanimously approved by the membership.	President Bence
3	12:30	Approval of 2011 and 2012 minutes The board put forward a MOTION to approved the minutes from the 2011 and 2012 business lunches. It was seconded by David Schwab and unanimously approved by the membership.	President Bence
4	12:35	President's Report This IAGLR conference is one of the largest conference to date with ~700 registered attendees despite the initially concerns over travel restrictions. President Bence thanked all attendees for being at the conference. The IAGLR membership base has been steady and has been is on the rise over the last few years. The organization is financially stable and there are substantial financial reserves. We are coming to the end of the first full year with the editors and the date suggests that the number of downloads is on the rise, the journal is being more selective and is experiencing more visibility. President Bence suspended the business meeting at 1236 to allow for the food service at the head table.	President Bence
5	12:45	Membership Committee Report The meeting was brought back to order at 1246 and President Bence introduced Samantha Oliver to pre-	Samantha Oliver

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		sent the membership report. Samantha Oliver presented the membership report on behalf of Scott Higgins who could not attend the meeting this year. First Samantha thanked all the members for tweeting during the conference. Trends in membership were presented. Student memberships are stable and possibly on the rise. Overall the membership is dominated by US and Canadian members with a clear cyclical pattern alternating between US and Canadian conference locations. The membership has transferred in large part to digital only memberships with a few digital and print memberships and no print only memberships. The members interests are very diverse, with the fisheries management category dominating but still only representing <7% of the interests. Samantha wanted to remind the members of our new membership category for developing nations offered at reduced cost. Samantha also reminded the membership of IAGLR's new travel award for foreign students and welcomed the current recipient of that award from Russia.	
6	12:55	Treasurer's Report The treasurer's report was presented by President Bence on behalf of Tom Holsen who could not be at the business lunch. The organization is in good financial standing with revenues matching or slightly exceeding expenses. The organization also has strong financial reserves. The budget can be divided into three main categories: 1) conference revenue/expenses; 2) mem- bership fees that cover the business office expenses; and 3) the journal which has neutral cash flow since the transition to Elsevier. The Board is striving for ex- penses for members to remain low. The board is striv- ing to reinvest into awards and in the journal. On behalf of Tom President Bence said Tom enjoyed his mem- bership on the board and encourages members to par- ticipate.	Jim Bence for Tom Holsen
7	1:05	JGLR report Robert Hecky presented the JGLR report. The editors are completing their first year managing the journal. Robert Hecky encouraged the membership to talk to the editors about ideas/concerns and thoughts about the journal. JGLR has 4 regular issues a year and the # of pages has increased in part due to a contractual agreement with Elsevier. There has been growth in the # of special issues (SI) and there is a strong upward trend. Currently, there are 5 open SI: 1) Remote sensing; 2) Connecting channels; 3) Saginaw Bay; 4) Watersheds to open waters; and 5) Ecosystem modelling. Robert Hecky is asking the membership to consider providing the editors feedback in a few years based on 2 metrics. The first being the length of time it takes for	Bob Hecky and Stephanie Guildford

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		papers to go from the submission stage to the publication stage. Currently it takes approximately 10wks from submission to initial decision to be made on received manuscripts and once final drafts are accepted papers are published online within 30days. The second metric is the global reach that of the journal. The journal is still a primarily North American journal, and there is a lot of room for the journal to grow on the global scale. The editors have just returned from a trip to China, from where there have been a lot of submissions recently. The trip was very successful and the editors met a number of young scientists many of which working on Lake Taihu which experiences severe and recurring microcystis blooms in the summer.	
8	1:15	Business from the Floor President Bence asked the membership if there was any business from the floor. No new business was put forward.	President Bence
9	1:20	2014 Conference update President Bence introduced Dr. Pat Chow-Fraser the IAGLR 2014 conference chair. The next conference will be in Hamilton, Ontario. The logo for IAGLR 2014 can be found on the back of the program book.	President Bence / Pat Chow-Fraser
10	1:25	Motion of Responsibility The Board has put forward a MOTION of responsibility. The motion was seconded by Stephen Hensler and unanimously approved by the membership.	President Bence
11	1:30	Introduction of new Board Members, Treasurer President Bence introduced the new board members: Christine Meyer, treasurer; Aaron Fisk, Canadian regular member; Doug Kane, US regular member; Jenilee Gobin, Canadian student member.	President Bence
12		Outgoing Board Members President Bence introduced and thanked all out-going members: Stephen Hensler, US regular member; Kath- ryn Hargan, Canadian student member; Thomas Hol- sen, treasurer; Robert Letcher, Past-president.	President Bence
13		New VP and President President Bence introduced Doug Kane as the new Vice-President and Jérôme Marty as the new president. President Bence passed over the gavel to Jérôme Marty who thanked the membership for attending IAGLR and is looking forward to seeing everyone in Hamilton at IAGLR 2014.	President Bence
14	1:40	Adjournment President Marty adjourned the meeting at 1:09PM.	President Marty