

International Association of Panoramic Photographers

Board of Directors (Conference Call) Meeting Minutes September 24, 2013

Officers present: Paul Speaker, President; Tom Sheckels, Treasurer
Absentees: Dave Kutz, Secretary; Glen Cope, Past President; Jeff Weber; Fran Gardino; Syd Moen;
Gavin Farrell; Dawn Snow, Webmaster; Bryan Snow, Publications Editor

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PDT (8:30 EDT) by Paul Speaker, President

The new phone service was loud and clear, free of static or other noise.

Tom Sheckels gave the Treasurer's Report of the association's current account balances, to date:

Paypal account	\$ 7,563.00
Checking account	\$ 4,283.00
Money Market	\$ 10,839.00
Total	\$ 22,685.00
The Fowler Endowment	\$ 3,540.00

Tom reported that during the past month there were 3 renewals at the \$75.00 annual rate, an additional 3 renewals on the subscription plan of \$7.00 monthly. In addition, there was one student renewal at \$35.00.

During the month, Tom received more clarification on our IRS status, which is in progress. To review, the association needed to file for non-profit status in 2005. No filing was made, and the IRS gave us a waiver. Again, the association needed to file in 2010, but no filing was made, and the IRS revoked our non-profit status. Tom finally got through to someone who could provide some necessary clarification—our IRS name is actually “International Association of Panoramic Photographic, Inc.” Tom will refile with the name the IRS recognizes, while filing the necessary paperwork to change the name from ‘Photographic’ to ‘Photography’, eventually!!

Dave Kutz, secretary, was out of the country on business, but his minutes from the August meeting were approved with one change, to correct a spelling error at the end of the second line of his report: ‘there’ should be changed to ‘their’.

Paul reported that Dawn has begun to receive inquiries re membership in IAPP from Gold and Silver Award winners in the Epson International Pano Contest, just concluded. Paul has sent Dawn a welcome letter to be sent to each of the winners who take advantage of the year's free membership in IAPP.

In a discussion of general business, the member survey was brought up, and it was agreed that Paul would follow up on this, to get it out to our members as soon as possible. The relative merits of Google docs vs Survey Monkey were discussed, and the conclusion was reached that the survey needs to go out regardless of the cost. It needs to be as efficient as possible for the one who is responsible for gathering and collating the data, yet easy to answer for the respondents.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53 PDT (8:53 EDT).

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Speaker, President, acting Secretary