

IASPM-ANZ
Annual General Meeting 2012
Dechaineux Lecture Theatre, Tasmanian School of Art, University of Tasmania
7 December 2012

The chair declared the meeting open at 1:37pm.

1. Attendance and Apologies

Present: Catherine Hoad, Bruce Johnson, Nick Tipping, Jennifer Cattermole, David Cashman, James Cox, Liz Giuffre, Amy Bauder, Brent Keogh, Rachael Gunn, Jadey O'Regan, Narelle McCoy, Shannon Said, Oli Wilson, John Whiteoak, Robin Ryan, Dianne Rodger, Anthony Jones, Shane Homan, Jodie Taylor, Tony Mitchell, Jon Stratton, Adrian Renzo, Catherine Strong, Michael Holland, Kirsten Zemke, Natalie Lewandowski, Sarah Attfield, Pat O'Grady, Mark Evans, Geoff Stahl, Aline Scott-Maxwell, Michelle Phillipov, Paul Oldham, Nabeel Zuberi, Gavin Carfoot, John Encarnacao, Eve Klein (Publications [Web] Officer), Penny Spirou (Treasurer), Shelley Brunt (Chair), Julie Rickwood (Secretary).

Apologies: Dan Bendrups, Katelyn Barney, Donna Weston, Rob Burns.

2. Minutes of the 2011 AGM (Victoria University of Wellington)

The Chair asked for any feedback on the minutes.

Correction: Item 10 – correct spelling: Michelle Phillipov.

The minutes were moved by Michelle Phillipov; seconded by Brent Keogh.

3. Executive Reports

3.1 Chair's Report

The Chair thanked the 2011-2012 IASPM-ANZ Executive for their service, and extended appreciation to the outgoing Web (Publications) Officer Eve Klein. She noted that the Executive was in regular contact during 2012, and she appreciated their active involvement. The Chair also thanked the 2013 Hobart conference convener Michelle Phillipov for organising a successful and enjoyable conference, and the University of Tasmania for supporting IASPM-ANZ activities. She noted that Kate Barney had served as the 2011-2012 IASPM-ANZ representative on the recently-formed ICTM (International Council for Traditional Music) Regional Committee, and had been attending meetings and reporting back to the Executive where necessary. She indicated that this position will be revisited in item 5 of the AGM. The Chair stated that item 5 from the 2011 AGM raised issues that she would address in item 7 of today's meeting. The Chair concluded her report by stating that this was her final AGM on the Executive, after serving five years as Chair and, prior to this, two years as Secretary. She noted that her service on the Executive began in 2005, and over the last seven years she had enjoyed getting to know the membership and was honoured to be elected each year. She welcomed the incoming Chair, Catherine Strong, and wished the best for the new Executive.

3.2 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer noted that membership numbers had remained relatively stable (from 109 last year to 122 this year), as had expenses and deposits. The bank interest (Raboplus) had doubled from last year (\$328.80 AUD in 2010 to \$603.68 AUD in 2011) as the account continues to maintain a high interest rate. Overall, 2012 had seen increased financial growth for IASPM-ANZ, with an uplift of \$4582 AUD from last year's balance. Moving forward, in the coming year the organisation's accessible funds will be moved to a new bank, with more up-to-date systems. The high savings account will remain the same as well as the Paypal account, which many members find quick and easy. The new banking system will be beneficial for those paying memberships and for IASPM-ANZ expenses encountered.

The Chair asked for the floor to accept this report.

The report was passed.

3.3 Secretary's Report

Taking over the reins of the role, the secretary had experienced a busy and interesting year of ongoing activity which included fielding emails from interested members and other enquiries, posting notices and calls-for-papers on the e-list, and maintaining essential communication with the membership. Behind the scenes there had been many on-line discussions between the executive in relation to a number of issues and there had also been discussions between the IASPM committee and Michelle Phillipov in relation to the Hobart conference. She reminded members that she would soon be preparing another edition of Soundings e-newsletter for release in early 2013. The secretary thanked members who had already indicated they would be submitting material for inclusion in the next issue. She would put out a final call for items in the New Year. She expected that the newsletter would be distributed in March. She had been nominated to the secretarial position again and looked forward to cementing her first year's experience. The secretary thanked the Executive for their assistance throughout the year, particularly the Chair Shelley Brunt for her encouragement and support. She wished the incoming Chair and Publications (Web) Officer all the best in their roles and looked forward to working with them.

3.4 Publication (Web) Officer's Report

The Publication (Web) Officer reported that her work had been rather straight forward in regard to updating and adding content to the web page. Of greatest concern was the issue of a permanent repository for the Conference Proceedings which would be discussed in item 6.1. She thanked Liz Giuffre and Penny Spiro for their professional editing of the 2011 Proceedings and gave appreciation to Sarah Attfield and Oli Wilson for offering to edit the 2012 Proceedings. She noted that there had been some discussion about digitalising Proceedings amongst the editors and herself and that this too would be discussed in item 6.1. The Publication (Web) Officer gave a special thank you to the support of Ed Montano, the former Officer, and Shelley Brunt, in her role as Chair. She thanked Liz Giuffre for her nomination to the position.

4. Election of 2012-2013 Executive & Non-Executive

The chair noted that the Secretary had received only one nominee for each position and therefore the unanimously-elected members were:

Executive:

- 4.1 Chair (Catherine Strong): nom: Shelley Brunt; 2nd: Shane Homan
- 4.2 Treasurer (Penny Spirou): nom: Liz Giuffre; 2nd: Natalie Lewandowski
- 4.3 Secretary (Julie Rickwood): nom: Bruce Johnson; 2nd: Katelyn Barney
- 4.4 Publications (Web) Officer (Liz Giuffre): nom: Bruce Johnson; 2nd Mark Evans

The chair congratulated and welcomed the new Chair and Publications (Web) Officer, noting that the Executive would move onward and upward. She also confirmed continuation of the NZ representative:

Non-Executive:

- 4.5 New Zealand Representative (Kirsten Zemke).

5. IASPM-ANZ Representative on the ICTM-ANZ Regional Committee

The chair reminded the meeting that Dan Bendrups was the Chair of the ICTM-ANZ Regional Committee Executive. Katelyn Barney had been the IASPM Representative on that Executive. She had attended meetings, maintaining the role of the representative on that regional committee Executive to talk on behalf of IASPM-ANZ and our needs, the importance of which would become apparent when the meeting got to Item 9. As Katelyn was not continuing in the position, nominations from the floor were called. Shelley Brunt was the only nominee and therefore would be our new representative.

6. IASPM-ANZ Conference Proceedings

6.1 Permanent Repository of Proceedings: Eve Klein

The Publications (Web) Officer said that she had been researching a plan for a permanent repository of the hardcopy back issues of IASPM-ANZ Conference Proceedings. She highlighted the difficulties she had encountered because she did not have an institutional base and had been significantly on tour in 2012. The Publications (Web) Officer noted that it needed to be resolved and that the responsibility would be handed over to the incoming Officer. She suggested that consideration should be given to using an online print-on-demand service that would enable printing single copies. The online purchase site would be handled by a separate company to Informit and would be cheap. Staff at Informit had indicated that this arrangement would not encroach upon their digital agreement with us. She felt that the advantage of the online print-on-demand service was that back issues of our proceedings could be uploaded and accessible, and that the company took on responsibility. The Publications (Web) Officer suggested that the company, Bookpatch, had a good reputation but was US based. This could mean that Australian based members could expect a two week shipping delay and that shipping costs might make it more expensive. She said she had been unable to find a local service. Issues around this mode and storage were apparent, especially for the distribution of the proceedings to the authors at the following conference. She commented that the editors of the 2013 Conference Proceedings, Oli Wilson and Sarah Attfield, felt that online publication was essential and that hardcopies were not so necessary. However, she recognised that this would mean a cost to IASPM-ANZ for payment of hardcopies for authors and reviewers who wished for this format. She noted that these were points for the editors to agree upon with Executive and that the incoming Publications (Web) Officer would have to take on the issues of storage of back

issue proceedings and the process for hardcopy printing of future proceedings.

The Chair thanked the Publications (Web) Officer for providing the background and opened it up to the floor. Following significant discussion which raised a number of issues around costs, distribution of hard copies, new content management at Informit in 2013, and reservations about an OS based print-on-demand service, the Chair reminded the floor that a decision was necessary to agree only on an investigation into the online print-on-demand service. Agreement was also needed to a process that considered a solution to a repository for back issues and future proceedings.

Motion: That the Publications (Web) Officer investigates print-on-demand services, in addition to distributing hardcopies to contributors who wanted one and, in addition to our agreement with Informit.

Moved by Geoff Stahl; seconded by Aline Scott-Maxwell.

6.2 Report on Publication of 2011 Wellington conference proceedings: Penny Spirou and Liz Giuffre

Penny Spirou thanked the staff at the Department of Media, Music, Communication and Cultural Studies at Macquarie University, Mark Evans in particular. Liz Giuffre announced that the proceedings were now online and for sale, and recommended that any other enquiries should be put to Penny. She thanked the reviewers, expressing appreciation for their guidance and timeliness.

6.3 Proceedings 2012 Hobart: Oli Wilson and Sarah Attfield

The editors for the 2012 Proceedings, Oli Wilson and Sarah Attfield, indicated that they would soon call for papers.

7. Conference travel subsidy for Executive members

The Chair spoke to last year's minutes when a motion had been carried to waive the conference registration fees of the Executive to accommodate for their required attendance. She noted the Executive members' appreciation that their registration costs had been covered. The Chair added that other costs were involved and spoke to the supplied document which was indicative of airfare expenses in order to investigate a contribution or waiver to the travel costs of Executive members to future conferences. She put the matter to the floor for consideration and after discussion the following was proposed.

Motion: In future years the IASPM-ANZ Executive members will be given \$300 AUD capped subsidy to be used for travel to attend a domestic conference, and \$500 AUD capped subsidy for a trans-Tasman conference, with an annual review as part of the Treasurer's report.

Moved by James Cox; seconded by Oli Wilson.

8. Conference travel subsidy for postgraduate members

The Treasurer indicated that the current subsidy of \$100 AUD to postgraduate members was not enough to cover flights. For clarification she read out the eligibility criteria and said she had been talking with the incoming Chair about alternative arrangements for the grant for future years. The outgoing Chair noted that there had not been a huge uptake for the subsidy and opened the issue to the floor. After discussion about eligibility and impact on IASPM-ANZ budget the following action was taken.

Motion: A financial pool of \$1500 AUD to be used to fund the postgraduate travel grant with a view to the new Executive finalising the criteria and other details.

Moved by Paul Oldfield; seconded by Jodie Taylor.

9. Future conference collaboration: IASPM and ICTM world conferences

The Chair spoke to the documentation from Dan Bendrups and asked members to please read before opening up for discussion. She indicated that Dan was asking our branch to host the IASPM International Conference in Melbourne to coincide with the ICTM-ANZ's bid for the international ICTM Conference. The bid for the ICTM conference was utilising resources that Margaret Kartomi had developed in the process for bidding for a different conference that had been unsuccessful. The Chair indicated that Dan was seeking approval from the membership to investigate. She asked the floor for expressions of interest in hosting an international IASPM conference.

After significant discussion, it was felt that if Dan was committed to such an investigation it could be supported. However, a number of caveats were raised:

- a) The conferences were to be consecutive and not concurrent,
- b) Agreement to the investigation was not a mandate to make statements on our behalf about what we might do,
- c) There needed to be a big team on the ground in Melbourne to avoid excessive workloads,
- d) That IASPM International was supportive of the bid, and
- e) That the convenor/s of the IASPM conference were to be appointed after the bid had been successful.

The Chair then announced that with all of these caveats the Executive would ask Dan to investigate the potential of sequential international conferences and that he was to report back to the Executive by late February 2013.

10. 2013 IASPM-ANZ Conference

In the absence of Dan Bendrups and Donna Weston, Jodie Taylor spoke to the background paper that proposed Griffith University hosting the 2013 IASPM-ANZ Conference in order to coincide with their hosting of the 5th International Music Council World Forum on Music from 21-24 November. The proposal had been made in the absence of an offer from a New Zealand institution. The general process is to hold the IASPM-ANZ conference in alternate years between Australian and NZ. The NZ rep, Kirsten Zemke, had been consulted over this matter, and consultation had been made

with the NZ membership.

Jodie also read the Draft Call for Papers which accompanied the background paper, making note that she was on the proposed organising committee. Jodie assured the floor that she had significant experience in organising conferences and would be involving postgraduate students in the organisation of the conference in order to pass on skills.

After significant discussion about the two scenarios proposed by Dan, and the pros and cons to IASPM-ANZ members, it was agreed to accept the proposed hosting from Griffith University. This was only to be on the condition that the conferences were consecutive and not concurrent and that the theme of the conference needed to be made in consultation with the IASPM-ANZ Executive. It had been noted that the proposed theme outlined in the Draft Call for Papers was similar to the theme in the call for papers for a conference earlier in 2013 at UTS, was too narrow, and needed to be more inclusive of the diverse research interests of IASPM-ANZ members.

11. Announcement of the Postgraduate Presentation Prize

The Chair informed the members that the Postgraduate Presentation Prize Panel was made up of long term members who had reported on the 27 submitted papers. She noted that the Panel had seen some fantastic papers. They had been inspired by the diversity and enthusiasm for academic research and noted that the conference had been enriched by postgraduate contributions. The Prize of \$250 AUD was awarded to Rosemary Overell for her paper entitled "Flows between Melbourne and Osaka's Grindcore Scenes: Brutal Belonging in Other Spaces". The Chair noted that it was a clearly articulated and well timed paper that contained innovative research. The presenter also responded confidently to questions from the floor. Overall, the judges agreed that it was an impressive first presentation. She said that the judges had also made mention of two other postgraduate presentations which were also outstanding and gave commendations to Darrin Verhagen and Jadey O'Regan.

12. Announcement of the IASPM-ANZ Publication Prizes

The Chair referred to last year's AGM decision to introduce two publication prizes: one for the Aust-NZ Region and one for an Open Region. She informed the AGM that two separate panels had been created and thanked them for their hard work. The Chair noted that in 2010 there had been three submissions for the Aust-NZ Regional Prize, nine in 2011, and that four submissions had been received this year. She added that three submissions had been received for the Open Region Prize. The Chair commented that was the minimum and that there had been a need to prompt members for submissions. Both Prizes carried the award of \$500 AUD.

The Chair was therefore pleased to announce that the Aust-NZ Region Prize had been won by Tony Mitchell for his paper "Songlines and timelines through Auckland: music in the 'Queen City'", and that the Open Prize had been won by Emma Baulch for her paper "God Bless come back: New experiments with nostalgia in Indonesian Rock".

The Chair added that she had been approached by IASPM-ANZ members to have consideration given to the notion of naming one of these prizes in memory of Rebecca Coyle. After discussion that suggested this was fitting, the Chair indicated that the Executive would pursue the possibility of naming the Australian-NZ Prize in her honour through an approach to relatives after an appropriate passing of time.

13. Other Business

Liz Giuffre called for clarification of her investigation into the proceedings being transferred to being with an online print-on-demand service. The Chair called on the Secretary to confirm the motion carried and clarified that the investigation was to consider the financial implications to IASPM-ANZ and to report to back to the Executive.

John Whiteoak thanked the outgoing Chair for her commitment over the last 5 years. This was followed by general applause to acknowledge all members' appreciation.

The Chair declared the 2012 IASPM-ANZ AGM closed at 3:35 pm.