



**IASAS Board Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2015 8 am EST**

In attendance: Rich Zereik (Canada, McGill University), Birgit Schreiber (South Africa, University of Western Cape), Damian Medina (Switzerland, Franklin College), Wadad Youssef El Housseini (Qatar, Qatar University) and Adnan Farah (Bahrain, University of Bahrain).

1. Meeting called to order at 8:11 (UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada)).
2. Meeting minutes for December 2014 board meeting were approved.
3. Membership – Damian reported that IASAS has 1,289 members on the listserv.

Old Business

4. Partnerships – Rich
 - a. Student summit teleconference with ACPA scheduled for 11 March 2015.
 - b. Are there other areas of the world that could/would host it?
 - i. This has gone out to the IASAS membership.
5. Elections timeline – Rich
 - a. Call out for nominations for President & Vice President has been sent out to the network. The deadline for return of nominations is March 10, 2015.
 - b. Campus Labs from the USA has agreed to help with voting. Lisa is in touch with Michael Weisman. Voting will hopefully take place March and April. New board to be announced at Annual Meeting on 1 June 2015.
6. Website – Update on Website (Rich for Andrew)
 - a. Work being done on how IASAS can update membership on new web site as per IASAS constitution.
 - b. Update has been circulated by web project manager to the Board sub-committee. Good progress being made on web site. Home page draft can be seen here: www.IASAS.global.
 - c. Social media: Each region to assess need and what technology works for them. Need for IASAS social media strategy. Please note that all current “@iasasonline” emails are just forwarder accounts. No email accounts actually exist. These IASAS online accounts only forward to your current designated professional/personal email.
7. Annual Meeting – Mark your calendar for Monday, June 1 at 10 am (New York, USA Time: (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)).
 - a. See attached IASAS constitution and by-laws as well as constitution clarifications Q&A email.
8. New Business:

- a. IASAS interest in Groningen Declaration – (Rich for Andrew) (please see [Appendix A](#) below and click hyperlink to see declaration text, etc.)
 - i. How does IASAS add value to this organization and declaration? Board members feel this is interesting but need more information. Does it fit in with IASAS' strategic plan and goals? Where does IASAS fall under the signatory status (most are countries and IASAS is an association)? Have other associations been connected? Is there a platform to debate how data is handled, is transparent, accessible, etc.? What implications for IASAS and what is needed/wanted from IASAS?
 - ii. Can Andrew gather more information and present case scenario? Can Andrew attend their meeting to gain better understanding of the request?
 - b. Global Conversations and Global Summit: plans for any further communication to members as regards to outcomes from the Global Summit and next steps to further these conversations? Need to have deeper discussion and plan on next steps.
 - c. Updates from Regional Coordinators:
 - i. Mid-east: contact with institutions in neighboring countries. Not easy to attract members. FACEBOOK account and page is up and running.
 - ii. VP: NASPA regional conference in Qatar just held. NASPA launching MENASA NASPA (Middle-East/North Africa/South Asia) group. An advisory Board being created. Conversation needs to be had by IASAS board as to impact, overlap, connection, possible partnership, etc.
 - iii. Africa: Data gathered on student affairs. Link for journal being sent out. Call for submissions sent out. Interest in articles from all regions.
 - d. Other
 - i. NASPA and ACPA 2015: Rob, Wadad and Rich scheduled to attend NASPA International Symposium and conference and Rich will attend ACPA 2015. Anyone else?
9. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 am. The next meeting will be held on 18 March 2015, 09:00 ET/(UTC-05:00)

*** Reminder – Dates for meetings: Please note time change due to Daylight savings time in North America. New time = 09:00 (UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada)).**

March 18, (start meeting at 09:00 UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada))

April 15, (start meeting at 09:00 UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada))

May 13, (start meeting at 09:00 UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada))

June 17, (start meeting at 09:00 UTC-05:00 / Eastern Time (US & Canada))

Appendix A

Subject: IASAS interest in Groningen Declaration?

Request from a European organisation concerned with IT, digital and data issues relating to students and student data portability, with the underlying intent of improving global mobility and learning.

Groningen Declaration Network: www.groningendeclaration.org

All information may be found in the [present link](#);

[Statutes, Bylaws, Code of Conduct and Ethical principles](#) documents;

[Executive Summary](#) of the 2014 annual meeting.