

BYZANTINE STUDIES CONFERENCE: BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Chapel Hill, NC
October 25, 1996

1. President Mary-Lyon Dolezal opened the meeting with a welcome to participants and thanks to the local arrangements committee (Chr. Carolyn Connor) and the program committee (Chr. Elizabeth Fisher).

2. A motion to accept the Minutes of the Business Meeting of 1995, New York, was seconded and passed.

3. No nominations of candidates for the Governing Board having been received from the floor, the Meeting elected by acclamation: Robert Allison, Kathleen Corrigan, Patrick Gray and Helen Saradi.

4. Alice-Mary Talbot presented the Treasurer's report. The unusual profit of the Michigan Conference, for which that local arrangements committee is much to be thanked, appears on this year's account. The \$7,223.00 collected by the Conference, in its second year of the new Dues policy, includes late payments of 1995 Dues. Two expense items (Program: 850.38 and Student Travel: 550.00) were Conference expenses. The rest of the Conference budget is not reported here.

Sue Boyd asked the amount of financial reserve desirable. The Treasurer announced this question, with consideration of possible changes in the Dues policy, is on the agenda of the Governing Board Meeting to follow.

The Meeting accepted the Treasurer's Report.

5. Susan Stevens presented, and the Meeting accepted, the 7 items on the Report of the Dumbarton Oaks Liason Committee.

6. The committee on liaison with Western Medievalists did not meet. Mary-Lyon Dolezal reported that there will be no BSC-sponsored session at Kalamazoo this year. But there will be two joint sessions with ICMA in honor of Ernst Kitzinger, at the International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 14-17 July, 1997.

7. Thalia Gouma-Peterson announced that the Bibliography on Women in Byzantium is on the internet at <http://www.wooster.edu/art/wb.html> and an e-mail address for additions will be posted there.

8. John Barker reported:

A. from the International Congress, August, 1996 that the U.S. delegation of 43 registered participants was the second-largest to the rather small, but lovely Copenhagen meeting. New officers are: G. Dagron, President; N. Oikonomedes, Secretary; P. Schreiner, Treasurer. The next Congress is planned for 2001 in Paris. Tentative plans for 2006 suggest Cyprus.

B. The Directory of American Byzantinists was finished early last summer. Summer requests are being filled now. Members of the National Committee paid up from 1993 through 1996

receive a free copy. Copies are available at the BSC for \$15.00, because they need no postage or handling.

C. He read the letter in which The Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin invites the 23rd annual Byzantine Studies Conference to meet at the University of Wisconsin, September 25-28, 1997. The local arrangements committee will include John Barker, Frank Clover and others.

9. Angeliki Laiou on behalf of the organizers of the International Congress of 2001 polled the Meeting on Academic Calendars, finding that many or most U.S. universities are already in session by the last week of August.

10. The mailing List was announced available for revisions or additions at the Registration Desk until Sunday.

11. M.-L. Dolezal announced:

A. Meetings of Governing Board, 6:30 Friday, Art Department and Saturday lunch, Conference Ctr.

B. Graduate student presenters should send 5 copies of their talks to Elizabeth Fisher by November 15.

12. The previous programm chair (M.-L. Dolezal) presented the graduate student prize for 1995, supplied by a generous anonymous donor, to Demetrios Kyritses.

13. Ellen Schwartz announced that people interested in a tour of Frank Lloyd Wright architecture planned with the Wisconsin BSC should contact her.

14. Carolyn Snively announced that the American School of Classical Studies is offering a scholarship for Byzantine Studies, information available from the Princeton office, due November 15. And the International Congress for Christian Archaeology will meet in Vienna in 1999.

15. The Business Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Alice Christ