

Date:	Tuesday 14/06/2007	
Time :	10am-11am (AEST)	
Venue:	Teleconference	
Attendees	Paul Barron Dr Nina Mistilis	Matthew Tati Liz Ward Carolyn Nodder
Apologies	Dr Simon Milne	Lachlan McKerrow

Agenda and Meeting Objectives:

1. President's report (inc. Welcome and Apologies)
2. Financial report
3. Discussion around membership benefits and value
4. Event opportunities & conferences
5. Other business

Presidents Report

- There is a likelihood of a Brisbane event to be co-hosted with ATDW, similar to the joint IFITT / ATDW meeting in Sydney.
- IFITT international board still to schedule their next meet.
- Some progress on the Canada and USA Chapter. Paul has still speaking to people over there and on the IFITT possibilities.

Financial Report

- Balance is approx ~\$3000.
- Still some forms to complete. Hope to have done by next meet.

NEXT STEPS:

1. Lachlan to update remaining forms.

Discussion around membership benefits and value

Financial Report

- There was a robust discussion around benefits of membership and the need to promote the value of membership, particularly with the different levels and competition from other organisations for members and member fee's.
- One example that was mentioned was the Young Tourism Professionals network (www.youngtourismnetwork.com) . Their organisation web site has a table of member benefits that we could perhaps produce to shoe the benefits of IFIFF membership <http://www.youngtourismnetwork.com/links/Membership%20Benefits%20Table%20v.2.pdf> . We could use such a table to be the centre of a 'sales pitch' for new members.
- Paul has a draft of the flyer wording from Lachlan and Liz has the flyer that has been used at previous events. Agreed that Paul will try to compile a new flyer and distribute to board members for comments so we can try to finalise this.

- Was recognised that Board Members are currently struggling to find time to do such things though.

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NEXT STEPS:

2. All board members to consider the idea of benefits table further and decide if it's worth pursuing.
3. Paul to pull together the draft text for flyer and distribute to board members for comment.

Event opportunities & Conferences: Updated IFITT Blurb for Distribution

- The possible joint ATDW / IFITT event in Brisbane was briefly discussed. No date has been set, but given time it takes to plan, expect it no earlier than August.
- Paul reminded everyone that ENTER 08 is in Innsbruck Austria in January 2008.
- There has been some progress on the proposed New Zealand event. It's likely to be held in 2008 more than 2007. Objective of the event is to bring together tourism and software industry and focus somewhat on the needs of the inbound traveller into New Zealand.
- There is a combined PATA / ATEC event in Sydney later this year and a possibility that IFITT could be involved. After some discussion it was agreed that there is limited value for involvement and the lack of relationships with organisers (the opportunity was referred to the Australasian board) means it would be extremely difficult to coordinate. Agreed that we should not proceed with this.

NEXT STEPS:

4. None.

ACTION ITEMS:

ID	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	STATUS
1	All board members to review Nina's concept document and send feedback.	ALL	
2	All board members to send to Matthew T their TOP 3 list of 'hot topics'.	ALL	
3	Matthew will compile votes for HOT Topics and send to all for discussion.	Matthew T	✓
4	Update minutes of April meeting and distribute a copy of the minutes of this meeting to all chapter members.	Matthew T	✓
5	Paul to update IFITT international web site with details of the new Australasian board members and roles.	Paul B	
6	Paul and Lachlan to meet to do formal handover of finances.	Lachlan M & Paul B	✓
7	Update all banking contact details and forms	Lachlan M	
8	Board members to consider the idea of benefits table further and decide if it's worth pursuing.	ALL	
8	Compile draft text for flyer and distribute to board members for comment.	Lachlan M	

NEXT MEETING: TO BE CONFIRMED