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Minutes of the 10th Annual-I.B.A.- Meeting

Held on 29th. Sept. - 3rd Oct. 1961, at The Gausdal Mountain Hotel, Norway.

Present:

Mr. Kurt Sørensen - IBA-President	Denmark
Mr. Ernst Bardorf - Mr. Willy Kailer	Austria
Mr. George Kuypers	Belgium
Mr. Gaston Nouard	Denmark
Mr. Björn Brandberg - Mr. Davy Leinson	Finland
Mr. Andrew Mac Elhone	France
Mr. Heinz Brenke	Germany
Mr. Charles Tuck	Great Britain
Mr. Louis F. Nota	Holland
Mr. Remy Mille	Luxembourg
Mr. Angelo Zola - Mr. Lassaro Baglietto	Italy
Mr. Arne Normann - Mr. Erling Eriksen	Norway
Mr. Börje Lundquist - Mr. S.-Erik Winhult	Sweden
Mr. Roger Lebet - Mr. Adolf de Vries	Switzerland
Mr. Dennis Allen	United States

Agenda:

1. a) Address of welcome by the NBF - President, Mr. Arne Normann
1. b) Official opening by the IBA - President, Mr. Kurt Sørensen
2. To approve the 1960 Meeting Minutes held in Paris
3. To approve the President's report
4. To approve the Financial report
5. To discuss motions of the SBU: Subscription; Language; Meeting and I.C.C.; Seat for IBA-payments.
6. To discuss IBA - news questions
7. To discuss the Applications for IBA- membership
8. To discuss IBA - activities in 1962
9. Any and all business

Point 1 a.

The President of the N.B.F. Mr. Arne Normann who welcomed everybody to Norway and to the I.B.A. meeting 1961, opened the meeting at 10 o'clock



Point 1 b.

President Mr. Kurt Sørensen opens the Meeting.

First of all I want to thank the N.B.F. on behalf of all the I.B.A. countries for the kind invitation and for their willingness to undertake this year's I.C.C. We all know that it has been difficult for a small guild like the N.B.F. to arrange a meeting like this, and so much the more we appreciate their efforts.

And then I want to bid everybody welcome to the I.C.C. 61 hoping that our discussions will go on in a friendly way and in the spirit of I.B.A. This year we want to use a new procedure for our meeting by electing a toastmaster, and I am very pleased to introduce Mr. Egil Hagen. The Congress is open.

Point 2.

The minutes of last year's meeting in Paris were approved, but the President wanted to draw the attention to the fact that the question about the I.B.A. bulletin (point 5) was not brought up again during the meeting, and that he would therefore like to discuss that question again this year under point 6 on the agenda.

Point 3.

The President reported that the time since the meeting in Paris last year had been marked by his co-operation with N.B.F. in the preparations for the I.C.C. 61 and the edition of the Souvenir Program. At the same time the President very much regretted that the information from the various guilds had been very

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scarce, and he emphasized the necessity of each country sending a report to him, so that he could make out a full account of the I.B.A. activities.

After some discussion everybody agreed to a proposal from Mr. Note that each country should forward a report on the activities of its guild in English in an official letter to the President.

In the case of UKBG their report could be taken from "The Bartender".

Point 4.

Mr. Roger Lebet presented the financial report, which was unanimously accepted.

The balance as per September 16th, 1961, was Sw.fracs. 10.915.80. All countries had paid their subscription except Finland and Uruguay. In the case of Finland this was due to a mistake, and the matter would be settled in the near future.

Regarding Uruguay it was reported that they had not paid their subscription for 1958, 1959 and 1960, and the President referred to the fact that several letters had been written to Uruguay asking them to pay, but that no answer had been received at all.

He also referred to a letter received from Argentine in which Mr. Otero states that it is difficult for a small guild like A.U.D.E.B. to pay £ 20 a year, but in this connection Mr. Mac Elhone said that in his opinion it was a question of wanting or not-wanting to be a member of the I.B.A.

If a guild wants to be a member of the I.B.A. it must pay the £ 20 a year, no matter how small it may be. Everybody was in agreement with this viewpoint, and it was decided that the President should write a final letter to Uruguay asking them to pay the subscriptions due before January 1st 1962. If they do not pay, the guild will be suspended.

In this connection Mr. Tuck drew the attention of the members to the fact that the I.B.A. rules do not contain any indication of what steps to be taken if a guild does not pay subscription, and it was decided to take up this question under point 5 a on the agenda.

Also Luxembourg claimed that their guild was a small one with only 7 members, and that it was difficult for them to pay the £ 20, - but also in this case it was pointed out that if Luxembourg wanted to be a member of the I.B.A. they must pay the subscription of £ 20-.

Point 5 a.

The following proposal was brought up by S.B.U.:

"The amount of £ 20 proposed at the last assembly of Paris in November 1960, should it be maintained, or ought the Committee to present another proposal reduction of the Quota for the small countries, which self-styled state, that they have not the means to pay such a high one.

Switzerland proposes to leave this unique quota for all members, even for those countries whose members are a small minority. These countries can avail themselves of the opportunity of asking firms of very high standing and brands to help them with their annual budget."

As mentioned under point 4 this proposal was accepted.

The following addition to the rules regarding unpaid subscription was unanimously accepted:

"When a member country of the I.B.A. has not paid its current subscription by the 1st January they will be automatically considered to have resigned from the I.B.A."

Point 5 b.

From the S.B.U. the following question regarding the official language was brought up by S.B.U.: "By a letter dated 28th of June last the President of the I.B.A. Mr. Kurt Sörensen wrote that he had decided that all correspondence had to be written in English, this in order to save time and mainly expenses in dealing with translations. Up to date the official languages of I.B.A. were French and English. Will these two languages continue to be acknowledged as such or do we all accept English as the sole official language?"

The proposal of Mr. Manuel Otero, President of the A.M.B.A. Argentine, who proposes to consider also the Spanish language as official, must be studied and given consideration as we can state that a good barman can be just as well excellent, even if he does not know foreign languages, mainly in South-American countries, where Spanish is the predomination language. We cannot request each barman of Latin America to speak European languages.

The chief question is to know if I.B.A. is an international association or a continental one: the statute has been made and we must follow it.

An extensive discussion developed about this question, but the conclusion was that the delegates could not accept Spanish as an official language of I.B.A., and that English should remain the only official language.

Point 5 c.

The S.B.U. proposed that: "Two members of each country are represented at each meeting of I.B.A. and I.C.C., i.e. one member of the Committee and one barman of each nation. This in order to avoid a repetition of Mr. Pedro Chicote's case who had to represent the South-American countries but could not take part at the debates owing to his indisposition.

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In this case two members at least ought to take part in the meeting so as to be able to present a complete report to the countries by them represented written in the language of these mentioned countries”.

Also this question was discussed very thoroughly, and as a result the following addition to the I.B.A. rules was unanimously accepted in order to make it possible for the guilds that may not be able to send a representative to the annual meeting to give their opinion on the various subjects: “When a member country knows it cannot attend an I.B.A. meeting the I.B.A. President should acquaint them with any proposals that he knows are to be discussed.

The country can then write to the I.B.A. President giving him their definite opinion on the subject. The I.B.A. President will then be allowed to vote for the non-attending country on that particular subject”.

Point 5 d.

Mr. Roger Lebet wanted to emphasize that the subscription to the I.B.A. should be paid to:
BANQUE POPULAIRE SUISSE, LUGANO, Switzerland.

International Bartenders Association, c/o Roger Lebet, Piccadilly-Bar, LUGANO

Point 6.

The D.B.L. proposed that:

“The I.B.A. News be published twice annually - once in connection with the International Cocktail Competition and once at the discretion of the I.B.A. President. All of the proceeds of the first issue shall go to the country that sponsors the Competition less 10%, which shall go to the I.B.A. President to defray the expenses of the Presidency.

All the proceeds of the second issue shall go to the President of the I.B.A. to defray the expenses of the Presidency. The second issue shall be published approximately 6 months after the I.C.C.”

This proposal was accepted with the reservation that if the country that is going to arrange the I.B.A. meeting wants to publish the I.B.A. News and Souvenir Programme themselves they should be allowed to do so.

It was understood that the President should make a full account of his expenses in connection with the publishing of the I.B.A. News.

Point 7 a.

The application for membership of Union des Barmen de Belgique was unanimously accepted by vote. Mr. Kuypers thanked the I.B.A. on behalf of his guild, and the President welcomed the U.B.B. as a member of the I.B.A.

Point 7 b.

The application for membership from California Barmen's Association was unanimously accepted.

Mr. Dennis Allen thanked the President and the members of the I.B.A. on behalf of his association and said that he was very pleased and proud that the C.B.A. had now become a member of the I.B.A.

The President welcomed the C.B.A. as a member of the I.B.A.

Point 8.

Mr. Heinz Brenke offered on behalf of the D.B.U. to hold the I.C.C. 1962 in Hamburg which offer was accepted with thanks by the delegates. The members will later on be informed of the exact time of next year's meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12.25 g.m. for lunch and it was decided not to resume the discussions until the next day at 10 o'clock.

Saturday, September 30th.

The meeting was opened at 10.15, and the President welcomed Mr. Angelo Zola, who had only arrived in the evening of the 29th.

Mr. Zola said he was very sorry that he had not been able to be present from the beginning of the meeting, but that he was very happy that the rest of the meeting had been postponed till this morning.

Mr. Zola said that he would very much like to make some comments on some of the points discussed.

First of all he said that in his opinion the question regarding the South-American countries was a very important one, and that everything should be done to make these countries feel that they really belong to the I.B.A., which could for instance be done by I.B.A. sending a representative to their annual meetings and competitions. Mr. Zola also emphasized the importance of co-operation and the understanding between the various I.B.A. countries in the way that the president of each guild should at the annual I.B.A. meetings give a short report on the activities of the past and in the coming year of his guild.

From Italy Mr. Zola reported that the A.I.B.E.S. is going to issue its own magazine from the 1st of January, and that they were going to hold a national cocktail competition in St. Vincent on the 15th and 16th November.

Point 9.

Mr. Zola proposed that when a guild gives up the presidency it should be presented with a small plaque in appreciation of the work carried out, and this proposal was unanimously agreed on. Mr. Heinz Brenke raised

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the question about an international cocktail book for I.B.A. members; only which had been discussed so many times.

Mr. Tuck said that the U.K.B.G. is working on the book, and that they would write a letter to the President advising him of the progress of this book. Mr. Zola proposed that in order to make this book complete, each guild should send the recipes of their national drinks, so that everyone knows that they exist and can be used) even though the ingredients are seldom used, and maybe peculiar to the country of origin. This suggestion was accepted, and it was decided that each guild send this information to the President to be forwarded to Mr. Tuck.

The question of the A.N.B.A. was also discussed but as the Japanese representative was not present it was decided to give the Japanese another year to solve their problems.

At the end of the meeting Mr. Tuck, on behalf of all the delegates, brought a very hearty "thank you" to the President for the wonderful way in which he had conducted the meeting and asked him to thank Mr. Peter Heering for having placed one of his secretaries at the disposal of the I.B.A. on this occasion.

The President closed the meeting at 1 o'clock by once again thanking Mr. Arne Normann and the N.B.F. for their hospitality.