

ISSM Business Meeting 22 October 2022

Minutes

Bylaws:

Proposed changes to bylaws were passed

Conferences and Sessions:

Next conference will be hosted by the Unicorn Castle. It will be fully online. The theme is “The Medieval in Cyberspace”; a CFP is on the ISSM web site.

2024 conference host, probably in North America (Seton-Hall and Monclair State). 2025 perhaps in Lincoln, UK. Perhaps we would like to try for Aust-NZ some day?

ISSM will have 6 Sessions at K’zoo! All are remote. Other possible conferences where we could sponsor sessions were discussed:

- Valerie Hampton says UF is doing a neomedievalism weekend. Should be next spring or fall.
- Regional MLA’s
- Regional pop culture associations

Luiz will look at South American options.

Finances:

Carol will open a bank account and make us a non-profit in Ohio. She hopes to have this done by January.

Communications:

Rebecca has some proposed changes to the website’s “About” page and landing site. The response from members was positive and she will work with the new Communications Coordinator on this.

It was suggested that ISSM should have a Facebook site as well as a group. Other suggested platforms for and ISSM presence were Slack, Discord, Google groups, and Duo

Members expressed interest in having reading groups or workshops, perhaps through some of these channels. Alexandra suggests we try them in rotation.

Precariat

ISSM could consider setting up mentoring and workshops for members in this category, if there is an interest.

Grad Student

A grad-student meet up has been planned online.

International Outreach

Luiz is trying to add ISSM presence to some South American conferences, but these mainly don't accept papers in English.

He will wait to translate website until changes have gone through.