



Meeting of the Board of Directors of the International Suzuki Association Inc.

**Monday October 15 – Wednesday October 17, 2018
The Law Offices of Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto
1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, USA**

Minutes - Highlights

Present: Martin Rüttimann, ESA Representative (Chair); Pamela Brasch, SAA Representative (Treasurer); Simon Griffiths, PPSA Representative (Secretary); Ryugo Hayano, TERI Representative; Lan Ku Chen, ARSA Representative; Pasquale Razzano (At-Large Director); Carey Beth Hockett, At-Large Director, Hiroko Driver-Lippman (At-Large Director).

Apologies: None

Also in attendance: Koji Toyoda, President, Allen Lieb (CEO), Mrs Hwei Tsu Chen (observer), Bob Lippman (observer).

Welcome from ISA Board Chair - Martin Rüttimann

Welcome message from President of ISA – Koji Toyoda. (*See attached Addendum*)

In Memorium Tributes to:

Bela Detrekoy (Violin) (presented by Martin Rüttimann)
Peter Hagn-Meincke (Piano) (presented by Martin Rüttimann)
David Gerry (Flute) - presented by Pamela Brasch
Leena Crothers (Piano) - presented by Pamela Brasch
A moment of silence was observed.

Minutes

The Minutes of the ISA Board Meeting held 6 - 8 October, 2017, in Auckland, New Zealand were approved as a true and accurate record of that meeting electronically in February, 2018.

Financial Accounts for the 2018 year were presented by the Treasurer Pamela Brasch and accepted.

ISA Regions

7-1 "The language of communication will be in English"

The above statement was added to the "ISA Policies for Regional Associations"

Regional Reports were presented as follows:

ARSA presented by Lan Ku Chen

ESA presented by Martin Rüttimann

PPSA presented by Simon Griffiths

SAA presented by Pamela Brasch

TERI presented by Ryugo Hayano

Instruments

1. Committee Reports

Bass

Brass - Instrument committee will go down to 2 members.

Cello - almost finished revising Book 1 and moving on to Book 2. No recording until Book 3 is done.

8-3 Overview of Clarinet/Accordion Study Groups

It was moved "that the ISA Board is not supporting the development of any new Suzuki Method instrument areas at this time".

It was agreed that the Clarinet recordings and books be referred to the Flute committee to revisit what was presented and to obtain their opinion.

It was agreed that the Accordion study group submits core materials for Book 1 for review by the Board.

SECE Framework Document

It was decided that the ISA board does not approve the SECE Framework 2014 as presented.

Alfred Report

It was moved that the ISA Board thanks Pam Phillips, from Alfred Publishing, for all her work and support over many years. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

TERI presented a list of all the complete original works by Dr. Suzuki

A number of ISA Policies and Guidelines were reviewed and updated most of which will be available on the ISA website.

Report - from ISA CEO, Allen Lieb was accepted and he was thanked by the Board for all his work.

It was agreed that we add a sentence in the By-Laws "Section 3.8.1 Language - The business of the ISA Board is conducted in English".

Message Professor Toyoda, ISA President

Professor Toyoda announced his resignation as ISA President and asked us to discuss a replacement. A big thank you was made to Professor Toyoda for his 20 years of service as President of the ISA.

The Job Description of ISA Board Liaisons was updated

It was agreed to set-up an ISA online DropBox or similar to store documents for Board members to access.

The Job Descriptions of ISA Board Members was presented and accepted.

The Budget FY19 – was presented and accepted.

2nd International Teacher Trainer Convention 11 - 13 October 2019 most likely in Madrid. ISA will found an International committee representing instruments and regions to develop the program.

The "ISA Policy on Teacher Training" was presented and accepted

A proposal to change the current rotation system of ISA chairperson was not accepted

A proposal to add a 4th At-Large member to the ISA Board was not progressed and further.

Board Elections

Ryugo Hayano was accepted as the ISA Vice Chairperson for the period 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2021.

Lan Ku Chen was accepted as the ISA Chairman for the period 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2021.

Simon Griffiths was accepted as the PPSA Representative on the ISA Board for the period 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2021

Simon Griffiths was accepted as the ISA Secretary for the period 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2021.

Either Anke van der Bijl or Martin Rüttimann as decided by ISA, as the ISA representative on the ISA Board for the period 1 July 2019 - 30 June 2021.

Hiroko Driver-Lippman announced her resignation as an At-Large member. Next year the Board needs to elect a replacement for Hiroko (At-Large member). Activate the nominations committee. Call for nominations.

*Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the International Suzuki Association Inc.
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Date and place of ISA Board meeting in 2019

In Madrid after the Teacher Trainer Conference.

Monday 14 - Wednesday 16 October, 2019.

Consensus Statement - thank you to Martin Rüttimann for his years of service as a Board member and chairperson.