

Summary of the International Board's actions on four Resolutions passed at the North and Central American Regional Conference Business Meeting

Resolution #4

Resolved that a Virtual Chapter in the North and Central American Region

- (a) be established as a Prospective Chapter with members who reside in the region, live more than one hour's drive from an I.I. chapter meeting location, live in an area that does not meet the criteria to establish a chartered I.I. chapters, or have limitations making in-person participation with a nearby I.I. chapter difficult;
- (b) elect a minimum of 3 board members;
- (c) have a minimum of 10 members;
- (d) provide a minimum of one program per quarter.

Resolution #4 passed at the Business Meeting with a vote of 46 in favor, 4 opposed, and 1 abstained.

Action by the International Board:

The International Board considers that a Virtual Chapter will be necessary in the future. Concrete details for how to implement it will be examined.

Resolution #6

Resolved that I.I. Headquarters

- (a) meet with each Regional Liaison (Advocate Committee) at least one time per year to discuss organizational goals, issues, and problem solve;
- (b) provide membership data (the number of members by categories) for each chapter to the seven Regional Liaisons;
- (c) provide membership data of each of the I.I. regions to all regional liaisons.

Resolution #6 passed at the Business Meeting with a vote of 41 in favor, 6 opposed, and 4 abstained.

Action by the International Board:

The International Board recommends that those who want this information ask each Chapter to provide it to them directly. Additionally, some of the information mentioned in the resolution is regularly published by I.I.

Resolution #7

Resolved that the I.I. New Year Luncheon video be made available with English subtitles to all I.I. members continuously (24 hours) for a minimum of one month.

Resolution #7 passed at the Business Meeting with a vote of 48 in favor, 1 opposed, and 2 abstained.

Action by the International Board:

The International Board is considering extending the viewing period for the New Year Luncheon video for as long as possible. (There will not be a New Year Luncheon in 2025.)

Resolution #8

Resolved that the Annual General Meeting be live-streamed and recorded so that any I.I. member can either participate virtually (via Zoom) while voting by proxy or view a recording that would be accessible continuously for 24 hours/day for a minimum of two weeks thereafter.

Resolution #8 passed at the Business Meeting with a vote of 45 in favor, 3 opposed, and 3 abstained.

Action by the International Board:

If it is possible to adjust I.I. Headquarters' schedule and timing, the consensus of the Board was that it will be necessary to consider this suggestion in the future.

Board members who provided input to the above were Tomoko Takada (International President), Chisato Obikane, Reiko Inumaru, Hiroko Otsuka, Hanako Sato, Midori Yamagiwa, Kaeko Kasuga, Kyoko Ehara, Mika Hamanaka, Reiko Mukasa, Nobuko Usui, Mikie Arai, Kimie Yanagisawa, Tomiko Uesato, Sumiko Akagawa, Kyoko Mori, Chiaki Sugimura, Akemi Yamazaki, and Kazuhiro Hamada.