

IFTF Board Meeting
June 28, 2025 Minutes

Present: Albert Bassili, Justin Bortnick, Colette Zinna (Treasurer), David Cornelson, Leena van Deventer, Kofi Oduro, Mark Sample, and Doug Valenta (Technical Officer)

1. Discussion of Dennise Kowalczyk's board consulting proposal. \$2000 for 19 hours of consulting, across 2 distinct phases. Notes from previous consulting are in Dropbox (in a folder called "Board Consulting Sessions 2016"). Key questions that came up during discussion: what kind of "homework" do we have? Is the scope too much for what we need? Could her plan be a bit more modular, kind of a la carte, where we could focus on the most pressing questions? Can the whole process be streamlined and sped up? **Action Item: We'll all look at the previous consulting documents in Dropbox. Justin will ask about timing, the possibility of a more modular approach**
2. Discussion of committee appointments. According to most of the committee charters, each committee requires at least one board member. This was previously not an issue, as most of the committee chairs used to serve on the board. **Action Item: board members should self select a committee or more to serve on.** Dave volunteered for IFComp; Leena and Justin for Grants. Mark for Ed Comm and Twine. Albert for Twine.
3. Discussion of officers (Treasurer and Tech Officer) as board members. Mark motions that the Treasurer becomes an Ex Officio member of the board. Leena seconds the motion. Yeas have it. Leena motions the same for Tech Officer. Mark seconds it. Yeas have it. **Vote Result: The Treasurer and Tech Officer will henceforth be Ex Officio members of the board, but their responsibilities should not extend to work outside their position's duties.**
4. NarraScope discussion. Very successful event. Postmortem for the conference committee will be July 8. Some discussion of Discord as not the best tool for facilitating hybrid conferences.