

**INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TRADITIONAL MUSIC  
STUDY GROUP ON ETHHNOCHOREOLOGY  
22nd SYMPOSIUM, SZEGED, HUNGARY  
MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING  
25/31 JULY 2002**

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**1. Minutes of Business Meeting**, 21st Symposium, Korcula, Croatia,  
5/6 July 2000

The minutes were unanimously approved.

**2. Activities Report**

2.1 Membership

The Chair reported an increase in membership over the past two years. Numbers immediately prior to the meeting were:

161 active 29 latent 46 non-active

Recruitment had been by the following means:

(a) Study Group on Ethnochoreology Symposia - 15 new people had been recruited.

(b) Seminar for New Ethnochoreologists, November 2001 - 5 new members had been recruited.

(c) ICTM Conference, Rio de Janeiro, July 2001 - this had resulted in new members especially from Brazil and elsewhere in South America.

(d) Websites of ICTM and Study Group

(e) Personal contacts

The Chair pointed out that it was the policy of the Study Group to retain non-active members on the address list in case they decide to participate at a future date. Membership was achieved by contacting the Chair or a member of the Board. The applicant would then receive an official letter from the Chair and an information form requesting details of the applicant's addresses and interests, for both the Study Group and the Newsletter. Only those who wish to join the Study Group need to pay the ICTM subscription, otherwise they may subscribe to the Newsletter only.

2.2 Study Group Board's Communications

Since the last business meeting of the Study group in Korcula, Croatia in 2000, the Board had continued to operate electronically in September 2000, December/January 2001, September/October 2001, December 2001, January 2002 and May 2002. Other occasions had been used for face-to-face meetings at which not all members could be present. These were at the New Ethnochoreologists Seminar in Clermont Ferrand, at the commemoration of György Martin and at the sub-Study Group

meeting on fieldwork in Bulgaria. Owing to health problems, William Reynolds had been unable to participate fully in the meetings since autumn 2001. This had resulted in the call for nominations being sent out later than anticipated rather than via the Newsletter intended for circulation January 2002. Theresa Buckland as Secretary had consequently distributed the call for nominations by electronic and normal mail in May 2002. A compendium of written recommendations on organising the symposium had been passed on to the organisers of the 22nd symposium. There had been communication difficulties in planning this symposium as a result of a breakdown in the computer system in the Institute at Budapest.

### 2.3 Rio de Janeiro

The Chair reported on the study group's activities at the 36th World ICTM conference in Rio de Janeiro in July 2001. 8 papers were presented by Study Group members and there was a roundtable on current trends in ethnochoreology which resulted in useful exchanges on information, especially from South America. Publications of the Study Group including the proceedings from the symposia of Istanbul and Korcula were displayed. The Study Group enjoys excellent representation in ICTM activities: Adrienne Kaeppler is Vice President and Egil Bakka and Marianne Bröcker are members of the Executive Board.

### 2.4 Sub-Study Group Activities

The sub-study groups had been very active in the past two years and short reports were given in the second part of the meeting.

### 2.5 Collaborative Activities

2.5.1 The Chair outlined her interest in further developing information exchange between lecturers in ethnochoreology and the development of students. In relation to this, the 3rd New Ethnochoreologists Seminar had taken place at Blaise Pascal Université, Clermont Ferrand, France, in October 2002 and was organised by Georgiana Gore. The seminar, initiated by Laszlo Felföldi, takes place every two years and is organised at a higher education and/or research institution with invited lecturers contributing. This time it was held in conjunction with a research seminar, 'Memory, History and Culture'.

2.5.2 A celebration of the 70th anniversary of Roderyk Lange had resulted in a jubilee publication, edited by Dariusz Kubinowski.

2.5.3 In April 2002, to commemorate what would have been the 70th birthday of György Martin, a roundtable on the future of ethnochoreology in the 21st century on the basis of Martin's work has been held.

2.5.4 As an institutional body, or through personal collaboration the Study Group was in contact with World Dance Alliance (where Adrienne Kaeppler, Mohd Anis Md Nor and Reana Loutzaki are occupying leading positions) with CIOFF, with IDC (International Dance Council) and UNESCO.

### **3. Publications**

Information flow between the ICTM and the Study Group occurs between the ICTM Bulletin, the Newsletter and the Website.

#### **3.1 ICTM Bulletin**

Reports on the following had appeared in the ICTM Bulletin: 21st symposium (Elsie Dunin) October 2000; first circular letter on the 22nd symposium and the programme (Laszlo Felföldi) April 2001, April 2002; notification of the sub-study group activities, Fieldwork (Anca Giurchescu), revival (Mats Nilsson) and Dance Iconography (Barbara Sparti).

#### **3.2. ICTM Website**

The Chair recorded her thanks on behalf of the Study Group to Prof. Tilman Seebass (responsible for the StGs from the part of the Executive Board) and to Mrs. Silvia Scherer (responsible for the ICTM Website) and reported that Tilman Seebass had provided the website of the study group as a model.

#### **3.3. 21st Symposium Proceedings**

The Chair offered her thanks and congratulations to the editors of the 21st Symposium proceedings, Elsie Dunin and Tvrtvko Zebec and to the publishers. She emphasized her gratitude for the speed at which the publication was ready.

#### **3.4 Yearbook for Traditional Music**

The Chair thanked Adrienne Kaeppler for her work as guest editor of the 33rd Yearbook which was composed of contributions from study group members' work, much of it drawn from past symposia proceedings. The new editor of the Yearbook, Stephen Wild, had emailed the Chair to say that he 'was proud to be associated with it' and that the result was an 'important contribution to scholarship'.

#### **3.5. Newsletter**

The Chair reported that the Newsletter had been an important medium for 15 years in linking the members of the Study Group and disseminating information. She confirmed that there had been no Newsletter subsequent to number 21. William Reynolds formally announced his retirement as editor in November 2001, planning to issue number 22 with the call for nominations in January 2002 but was prevented from doing so on account of health problems.

William Reynolds then drew attention to the fact that he was unable to present a full Newsletter report since there had not yet been a publications committee meeting prior to the present business meeting. He reported that there had been some problems with the website as a result the update to Microsoft Web 2000. He requested that those with problems should now email him with specific details if any problems of access which they might be experiencing. He advised that the website address is given on the cover of the newsletter. At present, he reported, there is no system for putting new information on the website, a situation which would be discussed in the publications committee. Lisbet Torp stated that a number of members had not received a Newsletter for some time. William Reynolds requested that members send him updated addresses, as he had no means of knowing if Newsletters were not received. He noted a problem with the flow of information and urged the members once again to supply him with information for the Newsletter. He also noted that there had been no increase in the subscription costs to the Newsletter (£5-00, 15 marks, 50 Danish crowns, 10 US\$) and that was no institutional support financial for the Newsletter.

There was discussion about the possibility and desirability of putting the Newsletter on the website and also on archiving back issues.

### 3.6 21st Symposium Proceedings

Elsie Dunin reported that the Korcula meeting had been the largest gathering of the Study Group so far and consequently the proceedings reflected this in the size of the publication. She had wished for there to be an accompanying CD but two years ago this had not been feasible but it was a definite future possibility. She recorded her thanks to all, especially to her co-editor, Trvtko Zebec, Iva Niemcic and the Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Research for enabling the publication to be produced within a year. The volume was available at the 22nd symposium at a price of 20US\$

### 3.7 22nd Symposium Proceedings.

Laszlo Felföldi reported on possibilities for the publication of the current symposium proceedings. Studia Musicologica was interested in selecting papers from the second topic of the symposium but the members were assured that here would also be full proceedings in print once a publisher and financier had been determined. There was discussion on how the proceedings were edited and it was made clear that that there is an organising committee, normally including one person for whom English is the first language. The editing style varied according to the preferences of the editors from each symposium.

### 3.7 Bibliography of Study Group Members

Tvrtko Zebec drew attention to the need for members to send entries for the forthcoming edition of the Bibliography before December 2002. Members were assured that they could send in entries in their own format. Lisbet Torp asked if there were plans for the bibliographies (the 2003 edition would be the fifth) to be placed on the web. This, together with the idea of putting them on a CD, was to be discussed in the publications committee. Thanks were made to Trvtko Zebec for his work on this bibliography

### 3.8 Yearbook for Traditional Music

Adrienne Kaeppler announced the recent publication of volume 33 of the Yearbook comprising of a selection from past proceedings from the Study Group's symposia. It contains 15 papers from 13 countries. All members who were up-to-date with their ICTM subscription should already have received their copy. Volume 21 had been reprinted and was still available. Thanks were made to Adrienne Kaeppler for her work in editing this new collection.

## **4. Amendment of Operating Procedures**

It was proposed to amend section 3(c) of the operating procedures, i.e. the call for nominations to change from 180 days to 90 days prior to the elections. It was also proposed to change the ruling on proposals for amendments to the operating procedures from 90 to 60 days to bring this into line with the first proposal. Both proposals, were moved, discussed, proposed and agreed.

This concluded the first part of the business meeting.

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(Thanks to Egil Bakka for providing the notes on which these minutes are based)

## **5. Meeting procedures**

The Chair reminded members that the meeting would operate according to the agreed new procedures. Those entitled to participate in the meeting must have paid up membership dues of the ICTM or would have to pay their membership dues on returning home.

## **6. Short Sub-Study Group Reports**

6.1 Full reports on Fieldwork and Iconography had formed part of the symposium's proceedings this year.

6.2 Fieldwork: Anca Giurchescu

The secretary reported on future plans for the group.

6.3 Ritual: Elsie Dunin

The secretary proposed a break in the group's activities and that if it

should recommence, and then a new secretary needed to be found. Lisbet Torp recommended that a new secretary should be decided formally at a Symposium. The current secretary agreed to inform the sub-study group membership of this decision to cease activities for the moment.

#### 6.4 Proposals for new sub study groups

##### 6.4.1 Dance and Migration Proposer Christine Glauser

A short description of aims was read. Those interested should contact [christineglauser@bluemail.ch](mailto:christineglauser@bluemail.ch)

##### 6.4.2 Dance and Music Proposer Jörgen Torp

A brief description was read. Those interested should contact [JTorp@t-online.de](mailto:JTorp@t-online.de)

##### 6.4.3 19th Century Couple Dances Proposer Egil Bakka

Egil Bakka proposed to restart this sub-study group and read a short description. Members interested should contact [egil.bakka@hf.ntnu.no](mailto:egil.bakka@hf.ntnu.no)

6.4.4 The Chair stated that new sub-study groups will be formally recognized by the Board after they had begun work.

## **7. 23rd Symposium of the Study Group on Ethnochoreology**

### 7.1 Location

Placida Staro put forward an invitation for the next Symposium to be held at Monghidoro, Bologna in collaboration with the village. The organiser's proposed theme was 'visible and invisible dance'. She also proposed a local organising committee consisting of herself, Martha di Mariano, Barbara Sparti, and Helene Eriksen. She proposed early July in order to link the symposium with a local festival and thus gain local support. However, the symposium could be arranged with other support. A start date of 7 July would still enable some connection with the local festival.

The proposal was unanimously accepted and it was left to the Board to determine final dates.

### 7.2 Proposals for Themes

Proposals made on the evening of the 30th were carried forward for discussion. On the first vote the results were as follows:

Comparison 7

Dance and Aesthetics 20

Dancing Networks (Family, Kinship, dancing communities, Virtual Villages, Global to Local) 16

Crossing identity Boundaries (Identities being transgressed, challenged, gender crossing) 24

Text and dance Relationship (Sung/song dancing, ballad,

rhythmic recitation, shouts, dramatic texts) 11  
Detailed studies of Dance (studies of Movement Details to include practical work) and Learning and Teaching Dance Systems (transmission) 21  
Leadership in dance 1  
Staged representations, interaction of stage and community 9

#### Second Vote

Dance and Aesthetics 8  
Crossing identity boundaries 16  
Learning and Teaching Dance Systems plus detailed studies 16

#### Third Vote

Crossing Identity Boundaries 16  
Learning and Teaching dance Systems plus detailed studies 18

The meeting made a majority decision to keep the last two proposals and asked the Board and programme committee to adjust and combine the themes.

7.3 There was discussion on the format of roundtables and panels. Elsie Dunin clarified that roundtables focused on discussion and panels more on presentations with discussion. Egil Bakka suggested that the program committee could ask proposers of abstracts to clarify their relation to the theme.

### **8. ICTM 37th World Conference**

The Chair informed the meeting of the forthcoming conference and invited members to submit proposals for presentations.

### **9. Nomination and Election of Chair and Secretary**

Adrienne Kaeppler chaired the meeting at this point as the periods of office for Chair and Secretary had come to an end. Thanks were made for their work and the leadership of the Chair. Both had indicated their willingness to stand for election again. Elsie Dunin informed the meeting that she had received 6 nominations for their re-election and no other nominations. Anca Giurchescu and Theresa Buckland were re-elected with acclamation.

### **10. Other Business**

Lisbet Torp requested that the business minutes be circulated quickly to all members. She also recommended that in future the business meeting should not be scheduled at the very beginning and the very end of the symposium but approved of the two part scheduling.

## **11. Approval of Decisions made**

Egil Bakka, kindly acting as secretary in the absence of Theresa Buckland, read out the decisions just made by the meeting:

11.1 The meeting had unanimously accepted Placida Staro's invitation for the 23rd symposium to be held in Italy.

11.2 The meeting had decided to take Crossing Identity Boundaries and Learning and Teaching Dance Systems plus Detailed Studies as themes for the next symposium, together with the local organising committee proposed.

11.3 The Chair of the Study Group, Anca Giurchescu, and the Secretary, Theresa Buckland, were re-elected with acclamation.

Theresa Buckland  
Secretary of the Study Group