



International Society of Psychiatric Genetics

Business Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2017

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Location: Grand Caribbean 6

Thomas G. Schulze, Presiding

1. **Presidential Introduction** - Thomas G. Schulze welcomed attendees to the meeting and explained that all attendees are now members of the Society through October 2018.
2. **Secretary's Report** – Elisabeth Binder thanked the ECIP applicants and winners, committee members, mentors and judges for their participation in this year's Congress. She reviewed that there were 110 ECIP applications from 20 countries this year. E. Binder also reported that ISPG funded 28 travel awardees. Eight (8) of those awardees were funded through an NIAAA R-13 grant. Dr. Binder also named the 12 oral presentation finalists and 16 poster presentation finalists.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – The financial summary was given by the treasurer, James Potash. The total equity of the society was reviewed noting that the Society's goal is to have approximately \$300,000 in reserves for emergency funds. Currently, the society has \$390,000 in assets.
4. **Meeting Reports**
 - a. **2017 Orlando, Florida**
 - i. The 2017 Program Chair, Dan Rujescu reviewed the 2017 statistics noting that the 2017 WCPG meeting attendance is 671. He announced additions to the program this year include the Spanish Language Track and Media Training during the Education Day sessions, and collaboration with ASHG on marketing the congress and the joint scientific symposium that sold out.
 - ii. Stephen Faraone informed the members that due to the funds raised in corporate support and strong attendance, the 2017 WCPG is expected generate a modest profit for the Society. S. Faraone noted that increasing corporate support of the meeting is crucial and asked all members to get involved with generating support for future conferences. He noted that suggested improvements for future meetings include finding more time for consortia meetings.
 - b. **2018 Glasgow, Scotland** – Benjamin Pickard and Mandy Johnston are co-chairing the meeting, and Jonathan Sebat is the board liaison. Conference dates are October 11 – 15, 2018. Daniel Smith presented on the city of Glasgow, noting the conference center it is centrally located and within close proximity to numerous activities, restaurants and

