

## **AS1–On Island Governing Council Meeting–6/30/25**

### **Present:**

Cathy Bertasi, Katy Biron, Andy Bristol, Bart Bouricius, April Castoldi, Joy Close, Michele Cohen, Matthew Cohen, Dave Cook, Kim Corfman, Stan Corfman, Beth Corsa, Cheryl Doty, Ann Shanks Etter, Lisa Gresser, Tom Griffiths, Ken Hallows, Liz Hendrick, Lisa Jennings, Paul Jennings, Keith Knox, Annie Lenox, Jenny Easter Nelson, Dennis O’Keefe, Susan O’Loughlin, Carla Osgood, David Osgood, Steve Parr, Nuria Pastor-Soler, Paula Phillips, Shelley Powsner, Gabrielle Prochaska, Janice Prochaska, Phil Quatrochi, Jim Sersich, Steve Skrovan, Ben Soule, Deb Weiner Soule, Win Southworth, Annie Stewart, Dale Stewart, Scott Stewart, Kathy Tillman, Ali Walton, Deb Walton, Plasha Will, Louise Williams, Wanda Wood, David Yermack, Larry Yermack

### **Welcome from 2025 Chairs: Ali Walton & Phil Quatrochi**

Conference is off to a good start! Weather looks good and volunteers are getting things rolling.

### **Registrar’s Report: Beth Corsa**

We have 327 total people this week, (McCloy family makes 331).

This includes 38 new conferees and 66 kids.

There are 260 full week conferees and 67 COGs (Conference Overnight Guests). This is more COGs than in the past; this year that number includes some new families “trying it out” for a partial week. This can be tough, as we may not be able to welcome families that arrive mid week in the same way, and they miss out on orientation and the first days of bonding in the children’s program. This is something we may want to keep an eye on. In the past it was usually around 40 COGS average.

We did have folks on the waitlist but we were able to get everyone in except folks who reached out at the last minute.

Highest number on island for one night will be 302 on the 4th of July.

### **Treasurer’s Report: David Yermack**

Our financial picture is better than it has been in years because of high attendance.

We gave out about the same amount of financial aid as last year, despite the conference being fuller in 2025; and note that SIC is now paying part of financial aid as well via a centralized application process and fund. Folks apply first to the island, which has a process for doing standardized screening across conferences and provides partial funding; and then remaining requests come to our committee. We funded 100% of requests this year. We used to give exactly 50% but now folks can request any percentage, which seems to be a good thing.

This year we also raised registration fees by \$5, in line with inflation and other conferences. trying to keep it in line with inflation/other conferences. Our registration fees are still below many of the other conferences.

### **Annual Fund Report: Louise Williams**

Figures are approximate:

In 2023, 256 people attended conference, and 25% contributed to annual fund for a total of 100,375 (2022 was close to 120K). (This total may include folks who did not attend conference that year but still donated.)

In 2024, 308 people attended, about 20% contributed for a total of 95K (note that this includes money from the art auction).

For 2025, we would like to increase the number of donors, encouraging our youth to donate and emphasizing that no amount is too small.

**New business:**  Session planning for Deb Walton's roles as children's program coordinator & housing coordinator

Deb has served in these roles for 47 years and is ready to train the next folks. She will still do the jobs in 2026 but would like to have new folks in place to shadow her as there is a lot to learn, and she is still willing to provide support through the transition in 2027.

Deb has started some job descriptions and the executive committee (and others) will assist with those. Nominations committee will then start talking to people; those who are interested should reach out to them.

**Selection of 2027 Chairs:** Jason & Gabrielle Prochaska, & Jodi Martini

*Minutes submitted by Katy Biron*