

AS1 Annual Fall Meeting 10/4/25 (Zoom)

Present:

Hal and Val Basdekis, Katy Biron, Andy Bristol, Katherine Cassidy , Matthew & Michele Cohen, Stafford & Debby Cohen, Kim Corfman, Stan Corfman, Cheryl Doty, Bill & Christine Gimpel, Lisa Gresser, Jane Griffiths, Ken Hallows, Holly Hunnicutt, Keith Knox, Connie Lentz, , Jenny Easter Nelson, Susan O'Loughlin, Steve Parr, Shelley Powsner, Janice Prochaska, Phil Quatrochi, Caroline Quijada, Cyndy Sims, Steve Skrovan, Marlene Smurzynski, Ben Soule, Dale Stewart, Annie Stewart, Scott Stewart, Ali Walton, David Yermack, Larry Yermack, Plasha Will, Lois Williams, Louise Williams, Wanda Wood

Consent Agenda/Acceptance of Reports A – F: All were approved unanimously

Approval of Fall 2024 and On-Island 2025 Minutes (Katy Biron) – [A. AS1 Annual Meeting-9_21_2024](#)

Meeting September 21, 2024, [B. AS1 On Island Meeting 6_30_2025](#)

Registration (Beth Corsa) – [C. ASI Registrars report 2025](#)

Star Island Corporation Report (Caroline Quijada) – [D. SIC Board Report 2025](#)

Star Island Annual Fund Update (Louise Williams) – [E. Annual Fund report 2025](#)

Conference Evaluations (Shelley Powsner and Steve Skrovan) [F. ASI conference evals 2025](#)

Star Island Status and Future Plans (John Bynum, Caroline Quijada)

Overall the island had a very good 2025 season. A big effort was put into hospitality and cleanliness improvements, with good results.

Bed Nights: despite having a few cancellations due to storms, the island exceeded their bed night goals (105% of 2025 budgeted goal) and attendance numbers are back to pre-Covid levels. There were low numbers of Covid infections and it did not impact most conferences.

Annual Fund is on track to meet this year's target.

Next summer: possible projects involve improvements to Cottage B, underworld shower/bathroom spaces.

Highlights of the 2025 Conference (Ali Walton and Phil Quatrochi)

[G. ASI Chairs report 2025](#)

Ali spoke about the intentional inclusion of Pels this year. For future years, Ali noted that Justina and staff will ask chairs about which events Pels are invited to, and chairs should be specific about this.

2026 Conference Planning Status (Shelley Powsner and Steve Skrovan) –

[H. All Star I 2026 Chairs update](#)

Elections (Marlene Smurzynski, Ann Etter) –

[I. Nominating ASI Nominating Committee 2025](#)

All nominations were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's report and Budget Approval (David Yermack) –

[J. Treasurer's Report 2025](#)

Overall we are in good financial shape. The auction did not make as much money this year, executive committee will be looking at this.

We may also want to keep an eye out on trends where more folks may be opting to spend partial weeks at the conference.

Following proposals were voted on and approved:

Proposal #1

- Donate \$20,250 to Star Island Annual Fund

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Conference surplus (deficit)	(\$4,517)	(\$6,907)	(\$16,429)	(\$9,919)	\$3,291
Auction revenue	<u>\$13,442</u>	<u>\$19,485</u>	<u>\$25,067</u>	<u>\$21,834</u>	<u>\$16,960</u>
Sub-total	\$8,925	\$12,578	\$8,638	\$11,915	\$20,251
Gift to Star Island	\$10,000	\$13,000	\$8,500	\$12,000	\$20,250

Proposal #2

- Approve budget for 2026
 - Assume same attendance as 2025
 - No change in registration fees
 - Assume 3% rise in room & board for conference staff
 - Assume 3% rise in financial aid

New Business for Executive Committee in Coming Months

1. Openings for Housing Coordinator, Children's Program Coordinator
2. Registration and Room & Board Discount for ASI Chairpersons –Larry pointed out that this was the practice prior to the 1980's

Minutes submitted by Katy Biron