

Minutes of the Indiana Philosophical Association Business Meeting of April 8,2006

Present: Erik Wielenberg (Vice-President), Eric Dalton (Secretary/Treasurer), Jonathan Evans (S/T Elect), Jared Bates, Jan Cover, David Denz, Tom Howald, Nick Jones, Denis Kelly, David McCarty, Greg Sadler

A. Order of Meeting

The Spring 2006 meeting took place in the Stokely Mansion, Blue Room, at Marian College, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The program proceeded as follows:

1. Morning speakers.
 - a. First speaker: Christopher Martin (Purdue University), "Spinoza's Doctrine of Ideas of Ideas." Commentator: Tad Robinson (Purdue University).
 - b. Second speaker: Michael Thune (Purdue University), "On What There Is: An Evaluation of Silverman's Analysis of Platonic Beings." Commentator: ???
2. Afternoon speakers.
 - a. Third speaker: Nicholaos Jones (Ohio State University), "Idealized Explanations as Ontological Guides." Commentator: David McCarty (Indiana University)
 - b. Fourth speaker: Gregory B. Sadler (Ball State University - ISP extension), "What Precisely *Is* Anselm's Argument?" Commentator: George Dunn (absent)

B. Minutes of the Business Meeting.

1. Vice-president Erik Wielenberg called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.
2. The minutes of the previous business meeting were read and accepted.
3. The treasurer's report was read and accepted, with the November 2005 balance reported as \$123.45
4. Juli Eflin (in absentia) was recognized for her work as IPA President.
5. Jonathan Evans was nominated and elected Secretary/Treasurer.
6. Two locations were suggested as potential sites for the 2006-2007 IPA meetings: Purdue University and Hanover College. In the process of discussing these sites, it was recommended that the IPA explore opportunities to co-host a meeting with another regional philosophical society or societies. It was observed that a meeting at Hanover College in Spring 2007 might offer an opportunity for a joint meeting of the IPA and the Kentucky Philosophical Association. The decisions on both the Fall 2006 and Spring 2007 meetings were deferred to the executive committee.
7. The issue of web-site design was raised as no noticeable progress had been made since the Fall 2005 meeting. Two proposals were raised to address this issue: (1) use IPA funds to support a graduate student who would set-up and maintain the web-site, (2) appoint Tom Howald (Franklin College) as official web-master. The members of the meeting unanimously voted in favor of (2).
8. It was noted that the IPA did not have its own separate bank account and that the secretary/treasurer was responsible for collection and disbursement of IPA funds from/to her or his bank account. Because of this, a motion was made to create a position of Trustee who would be responsible for the

IPA bank account, and that this position would be separate from the Secretary/Treasurer position. This motion carried and Tom Howald was appointed IPA Treasurer.

9. A motion was made to reduce the amount of printing and mailing of conference calls and announcements, and instead mail a single announcement to the 80+ departments on the IPA mailing list, and supplementing these mailing with notifications through e-mails to individual IPA members. This would have the effect of saving the IPA hundreds of dollars per year in mailing and postage costs while addressing the concern that IPA members would not receive information about upcoming meetings. The motion carried and Jonathan Evans was appointed to develop and manage the IPA e-mail list.

10. Meeting adjourned at 2pm.

11. After the business meeting \$45 was collected in dues. Report and minutes respectfully

submitted by Jonathan Evans (Secretary/Treasurer)

IPA Treasurer's Report AY 2005-2006

Jonathan Evans, University of Indianapolis

Date & Transaction	Amount Added/Deducted	Balance
04/16/05 - starting balance	0.00	63.45
04/16/05 - dues collected Spring 05	30.00 cash	93.45
11/05/05 - dues collected Fall 05	30.00 cash	123.45
04/08/06 - dues collected Spring 06	45.00 cash	168.45