



Council of Representative Report

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TREE Fund Representative to the ISA Council of Representatives
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Meetings: The last report two conference calls were held on December 13, 2016 and April 11, 2017. On each date 2 calls were available in order to cover all members of CoR which covers 60 Chapters, Associates, and Professional Affiliates world-wide. In addition, a monthly 2-page “E-Blast” is sent to all members with updates, etc. Requests for information is done through a process named “Intake Forms” which requires a response from each component.

The April conference call was linked via computer using a new system in use at ISA headquarters. It allowed visual view of the Executive Committee members giving their reports including visual aids. Many members scattered through the world were also visible as they asked and responded to questions. It worked extremely well and kept a tight agenda on the time schedule.

Accomplishments: CoR members nominated and elected two new ISA Board members in January: Cecil Konijnendijji from Sweden and Anne Beard from New Mexico. Caitlyn Pohihan has been named the new ISA Executive Director effective July 1 when Jim Skiera retires. She has a background in Urban & Community Forestry having worked for the Council of Western State Foresters and the Western States Forestry Leadership Coalition.

Previously, I had suggested that Research should be discussed with the CoR members and it will be the focus of this year’s annual meeting. Eric has been invited to talk about Research funding. In preparation, an “intake form # 27 titled “Research and your Component” was sent to all CoR members. The results are as follows:

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| 1. Does your component actively support research | yes 68% | No 32% |
| 2. Does your component donate to the TREE Fund | yes 52% | No 48% |
| 3. Donate to other Research Organizations | yes 32% | No 68% |
| 4. Does your component administer your own research | yes 18% | No 82% |

At the July Meeting there will be an election for two new CoR Executive Committee members.

Each component is measured for its involvement in all activities including conference call participation, responses to “intake forms, etc. Since the process was initiated, the TREE Fund scores a 100%.

Next Meeting: This will be the annual meeting held in conjunction with the ISA annual meeting in Washington, DC where a majority of the CoR members will attend. It will be held Sunday, July 30, 2017 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Focus will be on Research but other subjects raised by the ISA Board will also be discussed. The agenda will come out in late June.