



## International Society for Comparative Adult Education

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### Member Update

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#### **First, are you surprised you are considered an ISCAE member?**

Don't be alarmed...all those who have either attended a previous ISCAE conference or otherwise indicated an interest in ISCAE or in international comparative adult education are automatically added to the list of members. If you've received this, you are on that list. If you would rather not be considered a member of ISCAE, please send an email to [jostR@ISCAE.org](mailto:jostR@ISCAE.org) and your name will be removed.

#### **Florence Conference**

The most recent formal ISCAE activity was the conference held in Florence, Italy, in November, 2024, immediately following the close of a conference organized by the International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame and hosted by the University of Florence. ISCAE typically has a conference somewhere in the world—usually in conjunction with another conference—every three years, so we hope to have another event in 2027.

#### **An ISCAE Renewal Plan**

The current ISCAE Board has discussed various ways to sustain and invigorate the organization to ensure it continues to encourage and support comparative adult education research. One action the Board is proposing to implement in the next few weeks is to conduct a vote to revise the Bylaws to expand the membership of the Board by adding two new officers: Past-President and Secretary/Treasurer. The Past-President role will provide continuity on the Board from one election to the next while the Secretary/Treasurer will maintain the society's records and be responsible for managing the collection of funds and payment of bills related to our conferences and other activities. Although we are not proposing to begin collecting membership fees, we do need a mechanism for collecting and dispersing funds to support our activities. Examples of typical expenses are web hosting fees, bank charges, and conference expenses (i.e., food, refreshments, facility charges, printing).

If the revised Bylaws are approved, we will then quickly call for nominations for officers—President, Vice-president, Secretary/Treasurer—and other Board members

and conduct the vote. The current Board will then pass on its ideas for renewal to the new Board for its consideration. The new Board's term of office will be three years (2026-2028).

Watch for details on the vote to revise the Bylaws and, following that, the Call for Nominations for new Board members. We hope you will continue to be associated with ISCAE and support the renewal efforts of the Board.

Sincerely,

Tom Sork, President (on behalf of the Board of Directors)