

## Executive Board Meeting

**27 November 2007**  
**Agenda item no.**

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### Topic: Membership Dues for 2008

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#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the membership dues be approved based on Option 2.

#### Background

Membership rates for 2008 should be set to enable invoices for 2008 to be issued in December.

Membership rates are set by ICOM Paris. Dues are notified in both Euros and American dollars. While the Euro translation of fees has remained generally unchanged, the American dollar rate has been increased substantially, negating any exchange rate advantage that we may have had.

#### Issues

A modest growth of 5% is factored into the calculations. This is less than the actual growth from 2006 to 2007 of 10%. However the growth this year is more likely to have been driven by the ICOM conference in Vienna.

The draft operating budget for ICOM Australia in 2008 appears as follows:

PIMA board subsidy	\$900
web ongoing	\$3000
auditor	\$2500
Consumables	\$1500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,900</b>

The fees should be designed to cover the cost of operation, provide some buffer for exchange rate fluctuations and help build cash reserves to cope with emerging priorities.

#### *Option 1 – Keep Fees at 2007 levels*

Attachment 1 shows the income generated if the fees remain unchanged. ICOM Australia is subsidising Students and Regular A institutions. This decision was taken in 2006 to attract new members and was continued in 2007.

#### *Option 2 – Increase fees modestly*

Attachment 2 increases fees as follows:

1. students to move towards matching retirees (in accordance with ICOM International fees)
2. Institutions A - eliminate subsidy (increase by \$50)
3. Institutions C \$50 increase

This will create a potential surplus of \$2,646 as compared to option 1 which gives a surplus of \$1,328.

The draft strategic plan supports the development of improved business practices, infrastructure and resources. One way to do this is to increase revenue. However this must be done in a way that does not create a financial burden for members.

Option 2 is recommended.

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**2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES RECOMMENDATIONS OPTION 1 draft**

	2007 actuals (to end November)		2008 recommendations / estimates		
	m/ship dues	numbers	numbers	m/ship dues	ICOM Australia income
Individual (voting) – Regular professional	\$120	216	220	<b>\$120</b>	\$2,866
Individual (voting) - Retired professional	\$60	67	70	<b>\$60</b>	\$498
Individual (voting) - Associate	not offered	n/a	nil	<b>\$270</b>	\$0
Individual (voting) - Contributor	not offered	n/a	nil	<b>\$390</b>	\$0
Institution (voting) - Regular A (1-5 staff)	\$450	5	6	<b>\$450</b>	<b>-\$405</b>
Institution (voting) - Regular B (6-20 staff)	\$850	3	4	<b>\$850</b>	\$260
Institution (voting) - Regular C (20+ staff)	\$1,400	20	20	<b>\$1,400</b>	\$6,072
Institution (voting) - Sustaining	not offered	n/a	nil		\$0
Institution (voting) - Contributing	not offered	n/a	nil		\$0
SUPPORTING (NON-VOTING) - INDIVIDUAL	not offered	n/a	nil		\$0
SUPPORTING (NON-VOTING) - INSTITUTION	not offered	n/a	nil		\$0
STUDENT (NON-VOTING)	\$35	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>-\$234</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>		320	335		<b>\$9,058</b>

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**2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES RECOMMENDATIONS OPTION 2 draft**

	2007 actuals (to end October)		2008 recommendations / estimates		
	m/ship dues	numbers	numbers	m/ship dues	ICOM Australia income
Individual (voting) – Regular professional	\$120	216	220	<b>\$120</b>	\$2,866 <sup>1</sup>
Individual (voting) - Retired professional	\$60	67	70	<b>\$60</b>	\$498
Individual (voting) - Associate	not offered	n/a	nil	<b>\$270</b>	\$0
Individual (voting) - Contributor	not offered	n/a	nil	<b>\$390</b>	\$0
Institution (voting) - Regular A (1-5 staff)	\$450	5	6	<b>\$500</b>	-\$132 <sup>2</sup>
Institution (voting) - Regular B (6-20 staff)	\$850	3	4	<b>\$850</b>	\$260
Institution (voting) - Regular C (20+ staff)	\$1,400	20	20	<b>\$1,450</b>	\$6,981
Institution (voting) - Sustaining	not offered	n/a	nil	not offered	\$0
Institution (voting) - Contributing	not offered	n/a	nil	not offered	\$0
SUPPORTING (NON-VOTING) - INDIVIDUAL	not offered	n/a	nil	not offered	\$0
SUPPORTING (NON-VOTING) - INSTITUTION	not offered	n/a	nil	not offered	\$0
STUDENT (NON-VOTING)	\$35	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>	<b>\$45</b>	-\$98 <sup>3</sup>
<b>TOTALS</b>		320	335		<b>\$10,376</b>

<sup>1</sup> PIMA Executive subsidy will be \$900

<sup>2</sup> Subsidy almost eliminated

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