## IFTA LEC CONFERENCE CALL

## MAY 6, 2009

This call was initiated in conjunction with the face-to-face meeting of the LEC being held in North Carolina.

## In attendance:

At face-to-face	<u>Dial-in</u>
Georges Sansfaçon PQ	Jennifer Brown AZ(Chair)
Marc Nichols NC	David Couprie MB
John Moses AL	Doug Shepherd CA – Board Liaison
Martin Barrow NC	Andrew Markle ON
Tony Hatcher MD	Lonette Turner IFTA Inc
Randall Trease KS	Tammy Trinker IFTA Inc
Mike Calfee NC	Martin Cano TX
Trent Knoles IL	
Joe Noland OH	

Meeting began with welcome to Doug Shepherd, new Board Liaison person.

Georges Sansfaçon began the meeting with discussions about the Agenda for the September conference, starting with the break-out sessions, in particular the LEC break-out Scale House Visits. Each visit could accommodate up to 40 attendees, and there will be an A.M. and P.M. session. We will take the number of attendees, split them in two, and take half to each session. We will need to deal with any situation that arises from having too large a complement of attendees, but it is doubtful that this will be an issue. The ones that stay behind will then be able to attend the APC break-outs on the half-day that they are not at the scale-house.

Georges Sansfaçon then discussed the power-point presentation that has been put together to assist the LEC committee in promoting IFTA enforcement activities. They did an evaluation of the presentation and it was well accepted by all those at the face-to-face. Discussions held to determine cost of reproducing the presentation on discs, and who best to do it ie IFTA Inc or private, and who would fund same. Need about 150 copies. Georges to forward to Lonette for preview.

Couprie requested copy of same ASAP for presentation to all provinces in June. George will email same.

Discussions then surrounded the preparation of a "911" tribute, to be led by Mark Nichols and Martin Barrow. Canada/US pins, poem on parchment to be handed out. Both National Anthems to be sung.

Discussion surrounding Charles Mills Award ensued, with a need to identify possible candidates by July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Concerns expressed about how to solicit good nominations, and the restrictions on existing policy for candidates may need modification. This can be done.

Major issue of financial burden surrounding the September seminar was discussed, and raised considerable concern. Questions arose about the advisability of holding the conference this year, the costs associated with cancelling, the perception of the travel in these times of restraint were all discussed. Talked about minimum number of registrants needed to proceed, and no gain in simply presenting to ourselves. Need to know about numbers of attendees outside of the committee members. All LEC members polled, and almost all jurisdictions have some restriction on travel, but most feel they can still make it with IFTA Inc picking up a portion of the costs. Decided that Jennifer will contact Bill Kron and will discuss it with him as head of APC committee, to make a determination as to whether or not we should be proceeding with the conference. The committee agreed to abide by their decision and if it is a no-go, they are to advise the board liaisons for immediate discussions and decisions. Doug Shepherd commented that this is an important conference, and there may well be new committee members and attendees that will benefit even if the conference is small. He felt that we should continue with the conference.

Adjourned.