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The annual meeting of the trustees and the business meeting of the Academy, which were held in Toronto, Canada, August 16, 1984, were well attended. Included among the items of business considered were:

1. Academy by-laws were amended to allow for the election of a president-elect.
2. The first independent auditor’s (Ernst & Whinney) report of the Academy was presented.
3. The budget was approved.
4. Officers and trustees were elected.
5. The recipient of the Hourglass Award, Esteban Hernandez Esteve, was announced. Since he was not present, the award was formally presented by Gary Previts at the Fourth International Congress of Accounting Historians in Pisa, Italy the following week.

I have heard many complimentary remarks about the Fourth Congress. Our appreciation is extended to Tito Antoni for his dedicated support of this event.

To support the Academy in fulfilling its objectives, the following committees have been established:

The Accounting History Education Committee
Horace Givens (chairperson)

The primary objective of this committee is to determine various ways that historical accounting materials can be integrated into existing undergraduate and graduate accounting courses.

The Membership Committee
Bob Kozub (chairperson)

This committee's objective is to increase the membership of the Academy.

The Hourglass Award Committee
Gary Previts (chairperson)
Tom Johnson
Ken Most
Gail Wright

This committee is responsible for advising the president of the academy on matters relating to the Hourglass Award, including a recommendation for the recipient of the award.

There are plans to establish additional Academy committees such as a committee on the methodology of accounting history research. If you would like to serve on this or any other committee, please let me know.

The Academy has acquired a personal computer to further facilitate attaining its objectives. This computer will be used primarily by the secretary and the Accounting History Research Center (AHRC). The secretary and the AHRC are both at Georgia State University.

The Academy is committed to serving its members; therefore, we welcome any suggestions you might have concerning its operations. We look forward to hearing from you.

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