The International Ibsen Committee Business Meeting 16 December 2010

Minutes from the IIC Tromsø meeting

Present: He Chengzhou, Ståle Dingstad, Marie Therese Federhofer, Narve Fulsås, Julie Holledge, Anne Marie Stanton-Ife, Ruben Moi, Kamaluddin Nilu, Astrid Sæther, Lisbeth Wærp, Henning Wærp.

1. Election. The International Ibsen Committee elected professor He Chengzhou as President of the IIC. Professor Tore Rem is the new representative for the Ibsen Centre. Professor Lisbeth Wærp will serve as the representative for the Local Ibsen Committee. Astrid Sæther continues to serve as the Secretary of the IIC.

2. Presentation of the members of the local committee, University of Tromsø: Professor Lisbeth Wærp, Professor Henning Wærp, Professor Narve Fulsås, Post.doc. Ruben Moi, Professor Marie Therese Federhofer, Professor Nils Magne Knutsen.

3. Venue. 18 – 24 June 2012. Hotel rooms are reserved in Tromsø. Cheap accommodation should be found for the students. Members of the IIC and member from local Ibsen committee (Moi) inspected together the auditoriums that are available as conference venues in 2012.

4. Theme. “Ibsen and world literature” is suggested from the Tromsø Committee. Discussion. “Ibsen and the world: Literature – Theatre – Film” or “Ibsen and world drama” or “Ibsen and the world dramas” were some alternatives that were discussed. The Local Committee in Tromsø will take the final decision concerning theme.

5. Call for papers. Web site will be established mid January. List of participants’ e-mails will be forwarded from the Ibsen Centre. Call for papers will be sent out late January 2011 and D-line is 1 September. Topics should be stated in the Call for papers.

6. Keynote speakers
A number of suggestions were forwarded from the International committee as well as from the Local Committee.
7. Henning Wærp presented some suggestions for social events during the conference.

8. Any other business. The question of how to support financially people from abroad, especially students was debated.

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Astrid Sæther (Secretary)