

Question 7

7. Please describe IAS's grant-making procedures.

The IAS regularly receives requests from churches of Scientology and Scientology-related organizations for funds to advance and protect the Scientology religion and to further the purposes of Scientology, and for social reform programs supported by the Scientology religion. As a matter of Scientology policy, grant requests from Scientology organizations and individual Scientologists usually are submitted in the form of a CSW (Completed Staff Work). The Policy on CSWs may be found in Volume O of the Organization Executive Course.

During its early years, as part of the division of responsibility among the members of the IAS Board, grant requests were generally forwarded to one Board member (M. Brigatti) who would review the grant request and submit it with her own recommendations to the full Board. Ms. Brigatti did not have the authority to make or reject grant requests on her own. All requests were submitted to the full Board.

Beginning in 1989, IAS requested IASA review all grant requests before forwarding them to the IAS Board to ensure all necessary data was included and to secure additional information as needed. If there are many different grant requests pending from different Churches of Scientology at the same time, IASA may liaise with Church of Scientology International executives to inquire if there are priorities to the requests. This information would then be included in a submission of grant requests to the Board.

The Board of IAS, from time to time, authorizes IASA to approve small grants (under \$50,000) directly so long as the request aligns with the purposes of the IAS and information regarding all grants promptly is presented to the Board. This practice is not in effect at this time.

The primary criteria used by the IAS Board when approving any grant request is that the funds be used for a purpose within the purpose of the International Association of Scientologists: "To advance, protect and defend the Religion of Scientology and to assist, protect and defend its members throughout this planet." The Board also considers whether the proposed expenditure is of a type that might better be funded from another source -- e.g., a Church of Scientology or a Scientology support trust.