

keep the website current. She invited members to keep her informed of any suitable international content.

• Presentation on the Alliance for Innovation and the relationship to ICMA's Knowledge Center development

Jim Keane, Director of Strategic Issues and ICMA West, provided an update on the R&D center development under the auspices of the Alliance for Innovation in cooperation with Arizona State University. He spoke about the development of a Web-based center and a technological platform that would take the core of ICMA's library and improve its usability to include social networking for information sharing. The committee asked questions about the full accessibility and the need to address global issues and be relevant internationally. Jim said that new content would need to focus at first on about 5-6 issues or themes. He was encouraged to focus on local sustainability as one of the themes.

• 2008 committee meeting in Bangalore, India

Wally Bobkiewicz reminded members that the spring committee meeting would be held February 9-13 and encouraged new members to participate in the working sessions. Representatives from the Urban Management Centre and the City Manager's Association of Karnataka spoke on the strong potential for substantive interaction with Indian peers during the trip.

• Location of winter/spring 2009 committee meeting

Wally Bobkiewicz opened the discussion on potential sites for the 2009 spring meeting. There was a motion to take to the Executive Board that they schedule their spring board meeting in New Zealand in March 2010 in coordination with the International Committee's spring meeting and the Best Practices Symposium.

There was additional conversation around the venue for the committee's 2009 spring meeting, which would be continued in Bangalore.