



Minutes

Meeting of IUPESM Administrative Council #1

Seoul, Korea

August 28, 2006

Members Present: Colin Orton, Barry Allen, Joachim Nagel, Dov Jaron, Makoto Kikuchi, Heikki Terio, Ratko Magjarevic, Peter Smith, Kwan-Hoong Ng

Members Absent with Notice: Azam Niroomand-Rad, Inger-Lena Lamm, Jean-Pierre Morucci, Joe Barbenel, Nandor Richter

1. Welcome by Prof. Colin Orton

President Orton opened the meeting and welcomed all the AC members.

The agenda was gone through and Barry Allen proposed that a new item on a “Task group between IFMBE and IOMP“ would be added under New/Old business. The agenda was approved unanimously with this addition.

2. Minutes of GA 2003, Virtual meeting 2006

Dov Jaron moved to approve the minutes of the GA 2003 (on the web) and the last Virtual Meeting of the Council (attached in the President’s report). Peter Smith seconded. Both minutes were approved unanimously.

3. President’s Report.

President Colin Orton reviewed his report (attachment 1) and explained the background of the negotiations with the IOMP and IUPAP, which resulted in a proposal to form an International Commission on Medical Physics within IOMP. Other items that he reported were the discussion concerning the permanent office hosted by IPPEM in York, UK, activities dealing with ICSU and the virtual meeting of the Council. Minutes of the meeting are attached to the President’s report.

Barry Allen moved to approve the President’s report. Ratko Magjarevic seconded. The report was approved unanimously.

4. Report of Secretary General / Treasurer

Secretary-General Heikki Terio presented his report and explained that it mainly is concerning the financial statements since the activities of the secretariat have mainly been dealing with maintenance of the web site and mailings. The audited financial statements for 2004 and 2005 are attached to the report and also 2006 budget and current account statement.

Barry Allen moved to approve the Secretary General/Treasurer’s report. Ratko Magjarevic seconded. The report was approved unanimously.

5. Report of Congress Coordinating Committee

Barry Allen gave his report and said that the CCC needs to be more interventional. He also said that we should have a member in Congress Financing committee. Direct involvement and reporting to the CCC is needed to strengthen the co-operation between the organizers and CCC. The AC should check the formulation in the Contract to Host WC2009 so that this can be achieved.

Dov Jaron pointed out that the Korean organizers should give a report of the status of the WC2006 on GA and AC meetings. It was also noted that the proposal to organize the WC2012 in Beijing was supported by Singapore and Korea at the presentation. During the presentation questions were raised concerning the air fair, number of student registrations and the registration dues, which were given in USD. This can be a drawback if the exchange rate drops more and therefore it was suggested that the IUPESM AC should wait until WC2009 to approve the WC2012 budget. The CCC should also seek clarification to the reduced registration fees since there is nothing in the contract that says who will handle this issue. It was proposed that the new AC and CCC should discuss with the Chinese organizers about the principles of travel support, support for people from developing countries, different registration fees, who authorize these reduced fees and how these issues should be shown in the budget. According to the Chinese proposal the dates for the WC2012 would be October 10 to October 15.

Makoto Kikuchi moved to approve the report and the nominations. Kwan-Hoong- Ng seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Report of Nominating Committee

Jean-Pierre Morucci, the chair of the Nominating Committee could not come to Seoul and therefore he had asked Colin Orton to replace him as the chair. Colin Orton explained the process for the nominations.

Barry Allen moved to approve the report and the nominations. Ratko Magjarevic seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Report of Awards Committee

Colin Orton replaced even the Awards Committee Chairman, Dove Jaron. This was done because Dov Jaron was nominated to Award of Merit by IFMBE and therefore could not stay as the chair. The IOMP nominee was Pedro Andreo.

Barry Allen moved to approve the report and Peter Smith seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Report of ICSU Liaison Committee

Dov Jaron briefed his written report, which summarizes the efforts and achievements of IUPESM in ICSU activities. He specially pointed out the establishment of the initiative on "Science for Health and Well Being". He has been named as Co-Chair of this initiative's Executive Committee. Dov Jaron has organized the first symposium as a part of a series of symposia within the initiative. This symposium will be held during the World Congress on August 29. He invited everybody to participate the symposium. Colin Orton concluded that it is important that people in ICSU now knows about us.

Barry Allen moved to approve the report. Kwan-Hoong Ng seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Report of Education and Training Committee

Kwan-Hoong Ng explained the report that will be presented to the General Assembly. He stressed that there was a combined workshop between IOMP and IFMBE with the title “Medical physics and engineering education and training – a global perspective” that was held earlier on day.

10. Report of Regional Development Committee

Makoto Kikuchi briefed his report and summarizing the activities reported with two words; development and development countries. He welcomed new initiatives to promote the activities in the future. There were no comments to the report and it was approved.

11. Report of Public & International Relations Committee

No report was presented.

12. Approval of Agenda of IUPESM General Assembly

Colin Orton proposed that the elections should be conducted after all the Committee reports have been given and not as the item 6 shown in the draft agenda. Peter Smith pointed out that the Korean Congress Organizers should give a report after the CCC report, which is the item 7. Heikki Terio investigates if a representative of the Organizers can attend the GA.

Peter Smith moved to approve the agenda with the proposed changes. Makoto Kikuchi seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

13. New/Old business

Barry Allen explained the new initiatives within IOMP for appropriate training efforts in the developing countries. This is a question of policy of Medical Physics in these countries. He added that this should actually be an IUPESM action and we should discuss what the right way of doing it is. Peter Smith said that we should have a joint working group to explore the fundamentals for this action and clearly define the areas of responsibility. Joachim Nagel pointed out that this question is also debated within WHO and that we should keep this in mind. Heikki Terio told about the work and plans within the IFMBE Clinical Engineering Division (CED) together with WHO for patient safety and training in clinical engineering. It was concluded that ICSU regional offices could certainly be involved in this work.

Barry Allen proposed that both IOMP and IFMBE form a task group to work out policies what is appropriate. Peter Smith added that the work should be done parallel with the CED activities. Barry Allen and Peter Smith will write a proposal that will be discussed at the meeting of the new IUPESM AC on Friday, September 1.

The listed old businesses were left to the next council and the meeting was adjourned.

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