Minutes

Meeting of IUPESM Administrative Council #1 Novotel Darling Harbour, Boardroom 5 Sydney, Australia August 23, 2003

Members Present: Jean-Pierre Morucci, Dov Jaron, Joachim Nagel, Colin Orton, Azam Niroomand-Rad, Heikki Terio, Kwan Hoong-Ng, Helmut Hutten, Gary Fullerton

Members Absent: Oskar Chomicki, Fumhiko Kajiya, Keith Boddy, Takeyoshi Dohi,

Inger Lena Lamm **Guests:** Barry J. Allen

Staff: Terri O'Neill-Martin, Executive Secretary IOMP & IUPESM

1.Welcome

President Morucci welcomed members of the Administrative Council to Sydney and briefly discussed some of the logistical problems of the Chicago 2000 meeting.

2. Minutes of WC2000 meeting

The minutes of the last Virtual Meeting of the Council were approved as posted on the web page.

3. President's Report.

President Morucci reviewed the new procedures that were developed for the CCC to prevent the recurrence of problems of WC2000. The new logo will be submitted to the General Assembly for approval. All updated procedures of the CCC and other activities were posted on the IUPESM web page. The regular succession for the IUPESM Presidency was interrupted due to the withdrawal of Oskar Chomicki. Colin Orton and Dov Jaron were nominated to fill this position but Dov deferred to Colin to maintain the planned sequence of Medical Physicist/Bioengineer office holders. President Morucci discussed the proposal from Prof. John Mallard to establish a Medical Physics/Bioengineering stipend. The AC recommended that President Morucci reply in positive vein but indicating that the new IUPESM President would follow up on this topic during the next triennium. Azam, Dov and Jean-Pierre will work on the letter.

4. Report of Secretary General / Treasurer

Secretary-General Fullerton reviewed highlights of IUPESM Secretariat operation over the past three years. He reviewed the budget and financial statements which indicate that the IUPESM should end the present triennium with approximately \$37,720.17 in the account. A large factor in the positive bank balance is the general low level of expenditures by the operating committees. The SG recommended that the San Antonio office continue operation through the end of the 2003 to pay bills and clear up commitments from the Sydney meeting. He also recommended continuation of the present arrangements with AIP/AAPM to host the IUPESM web page.

5. Report of Congress Coordinating Committee

i. WC2003: The Chairman of the organizing committee, B. Allen, reported that registration is currently at \sim 2,000 registrants with only < 1,000 registrants paying full

registration. He stated that the committee should be able to pay out \$30,000 to IUPESM pending on-site registration, payment of \$50,000 might be possible. He noted the potential lack of profit due poor registration from USA registrants. There is a good turnout from Asian registrants.

ii. WC2006: The CCC Chairman reported the preparations in Seoul, Korea are proceeding on schedule and indicated that a reduced registration fee relative to Sydney should be possible as the local organizers have received a \$200,000 grant from the Korean government to facilitate the meeting. The Chairman of CCC recommended consideration of meeting insurance to cover major disasters that would inhibit programs such as the events of the past year (war in Iraq, and SARS). No action was recommended following discussions of the expense of such a requirement.

iii. WC2009: Joachim presented information on the proposal from Germany to host the 2009 World Congress in Munich. Canada submitted a proposal but was unable to meet the procedural requirements and deadlines and was asked to withdraw their application. They expressed their intent to bid for the 2012 Congress.

6. Report of Nominating Committee

President Morucci presented the Nominating Report on behalf of Keith Boddy. He reported that the committee confirmed that the officers nominated for 2003-2006 will be President, Colin Orton (Past-President IOMP) and Vice-President, Dov Jaron (Past-President IFMBE). Past-President, Jean-Pierre Morucci and Secretary General, TBS. The ordinary members of the Council for this period are Joachim Nagel (IFMBE President), Azam Niroomand-Rad (IOMP President), TBS (IFMBE Vice-President), TBS (IOMP Vice-President) and TBS (Secretary General IFMBE). The candidates for the Members-at-large are:

Candidates put forward by IFMBE:

Joe Barbenel, United Kingdom

Nandor Ritcher, Hungary

Marc Nyssen, Belgium

Candidates put forward by IOMP:

Inger-Lena Lamm, Sweden

Peter Smith, United Kingdom

Kwan Hoong-Ng, Malaysia

After some discussion of this report, it was agreed that official nominees for the IUPESM Administrative Council will be confirmed by the IOMP Council and IFMBE Assembly prior to finalization of the official ballot for election.

7. Report on Awards Committee

The Awards Committee Chair man, J. Nagel, reported that Robert Nerem was selected to receive the IUPESM Engineering Merit Award and that Colin Orton was selected to receive the IUPESM Medical Physics Merit Award.

8. Report of ICSU Liaison Committee

President Morucci submitted a detailed written report which was distributed via email to all delegates. His full report is attached.

9. Report of Education and Training Committee

Colin Orton wrote a report on educational activities of IUPESM for submission to ICSU. He is currently working with Stanford University on a Medical Physics Distance Learning Project. It is envisioned this project will be evaluated and extended to include Biomedical Engineering topics if successful in the first phase.

10. Report of Regional Development Committee

Helmut Hutten submitted a written report. His full report is attached. The completion of ICSU sponsored Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering brochure was a major achievement for the past triennium. President Morucci mailed out 130 letters with copies of the IUPESM brochure to all national academy of science members of ICSU as well as to all scientific union members.

- 11. Report of Public and International Relations Committee Fumhiko Kajiya not present. No report.
- 12. Review of agenda for General Assembly

Following discussion of additional items for AC consideration it was agreed that the Monday morning meeting was superfluous. The AC will meet again on Thursday morning at 8am in Boardroom 1 of the Novotel to finalize the agenda for the General Assembly following results of the actions by IOMP and IFMBE at their respective meetings on Wednesday.

13. There being no additional new or old business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Gary D. Fullerton, Secretary-General IUPESM