

Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the General Assembly of the IABERD Leiden, Netherlands, March 25th, 2013

Attendees: See attached list

Regrets: Philippe Voisin (President)

- 1) **Welcome:** Meeting chaired by Vice-President Harold Swartz.
 - a) Hal went through presentation for the general assembly that was sent by Philippe (slides attached)

- 2) **President's report**
 - a) A website required for the association. Hal asked for volunteers to manage the website and be webmaster. It will be used for references to publications, funding possibilities, discussion site, upcoming meetings, etc. Anyone interested should contact Hal as soon as possible.
 - b) Membership fees: Members will be eligible for a discount to meetings.

- 3) **Executive Committee**
 - a) The executive committee was introduced. The floor was open to nominations for officers for next term.
 - i) Anne Skinner proposed to keep the executive committee the same. All approved.

- 4) **Membership**
 - a) Membership will be formed during this meeting by paying the membership fee. Proposed changes to the statutes will be circulated to members for voting on the changes.

- 5) **Modifications of the Statutes**
 - a) Executive committee –. Proposed change: Currently the statutes state “Each Officer may not serve in any capacity for more than two successive terms (a total of six years) except another officer will be eligible to be elected president for up to two terms”. Proposed change to: “A term is the time between meetings and all officers will serve for a minimum of 2 terms but with not all Officers changing at the same time”.
 - b) Scientific Council Propose: change from “Membership of the Scientific Council shall be dynamic, with staggered three year terms that can be renewed a maximum of one time (i.e. a maximum of 6 years of service)” to “Membership of the Scientific Council shall be dynamic, replacing one third of the committee every term.”
 - c) Propose change: from: “Officers of the Association shall be ex officio (without vote) members of the Scientific Council.” to: “Officers of the Association shall be voting members of the Scientific Committee”

6) Scientific Council

- a) The Scientific council was presented. Representation is desired from all regions with a balance between Biodosimetry and EPR members. The Scientific Council felt that the average age of council was high and proposed to elect some younger members. List of council proposed members was displayed:
 - i) Benjamin Williams – USA/ EPR
 - ii) Angela Kinoshita – Brazil/ESR dating
 - iii) Sandrine Roch-Lefèvre – France/cytgeneticist in biodosimetry
 - iv) Paola Fattibene – Italy/EPR
 - v) Ulrike Kulka – Germany/Cytogenetics
 - vi) Jin Kyung Lee – KoreaCytogenetics
 - vii) One nomination came from the floor: Shin Toyoda – Japan/EPR dating
- b) There was a nomination to elect all proposed candidates to the Scientific Council: Approved.
- c) Anne Skinner and Paco Barquinero asked to be replaced.

7) Treasurer's Report – François Trompier

- a) See report attached.
- b) The fees for membership are 25 euro for members and 15 euro for students per term time between conferences. Fees can be paid to François throughout this meeting. A report will be sent to all members at the end of August.

8) Report of the present organization committee.

- a) A summary of the meeting had been presented by F. Darroudi at introduction to the meeting. In summary, there were 174 attendees from 32 different countries. 34 attendees were travel assisted thanks to good sponsorship. The pre-congress workshop was very successful and should be considered to be repeated. There were 38 candidates who applied for the workshop with 20 being selected from 8 countries.
- b) Publication of papers from conference: There will be two publications, one in Rad Env. Biophysics and one in Rad. Prot. Measurements. All papers will be reviewed and there will be no guarantees of publication. Within a month all the information concerning submission of papers will be sent to all attendees. Rad. Env. Biophysics has a lower limit for number of papers but a higher impact factor, therefore the best papers will be selected for this journal. The rest will go to Rad. Prot. Measurements.
- c) Agreements with vendors have been made for discounts on purchases, however ordering must be made through LUMC.

9) Location of the next EPRBioDose meeting:

- a) The Scientific Council approved of a proposal from Dartmouth to be held in the fall of 2015. Hal presented his proposal (attached) and opened the floor to any other proposals. No other proposals presented.
- b) There was a motion to accept proposal. Vote: passed unanimously.
- c) The Scientific Council is interested in having following meeting in Asia (2017-18). They are strongly urging efforts to start planning for this meeting. Early

applications or discussions from anywhere are also welcome. Organizing a meeting takes time so it is not too early to start thinking about hosting a meeting.

10) Motion to close meeting: Meeting adjourned at 17:50.

Addendum: Membership fees were collected from 42 full members and 1 student members at the meeting. This added 1063 euros to the budget.

Attachments:

- List of attendees and Scientific Committee
- Proposal from Dartmouth for next meeting
- Budget including collected membership fees

Minutes recorded by Ruth Wilkins (Secretary)