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## IUPS Executive Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

*October 19, 2012*

**Present:** D. Noble, P. Hunter, W. Boron, M. Gordon

The meeting started at 2:05pm.

### **1. Approval of minutes of September 20, 2012 Executive Committee meeting**

The minutes were approved

### **2. Board of the General Assembly**

The draft bylaws for the BGA were discussed. It was decided that P. Hunter would send a cover letter to the members with a copy of the bylaws to read. These will be discussed at the first meeting and ratified by the General Assembly. Also in the letter, he will include options for the replacement and continuity of members whose positions must be filled during the term. The chair and vice chair will be elected at the first meeting which will occur by the end of 2012.

**Action:** P. Hunter will write a cover letter to the BGA. L. Price will send it along with the draft bylaws to the Board. She will also coordinate a meeting(s) of the members before the end of 2012.

### **3. Myanmar, N. Korea and Bangladesh**

L. Price emailed Thai Airways about a donation of plane tickets for Myanmar physiologists to fly to the 2013 Congress. It is the only airline that flies from Myanmar to other countries. The point was made that a Thai businessman had made a donation so the airline would be joining him in support of the physiologists.

D. Noble is waiting for Andrew Smith, a member of Parliament, to contact the Foreign Office for information on how to send a letter to the British Embassy in Pyongyang, N. Korea. He has not yet spoken to his business colleague from Bangladesh about a donation for Bangladeshi physiologists to attend the Congress.

#### **4. African physiologists meeting**

There are currently 25 African physiologists who will be attending the meeting during the Congress. There are also five others from APS, TPS, Council and the Board of the General Assembly. This includes Siyanda Makaula, BGA member, who will be asked to write an agenda and convene the meeting. P. Hunter will email her inviting her to oversee the meeting. L. Price needs to request email addresses from Marc Zelter (SDP) and Tobias Wang (SEB) for sending announcement of the event.

<p><b>Action:</b> L. Price will draft an email for P. Hunter to send to S. Makaula. She will also get the email addresses of African members of SDP and SEB.</p>
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#### **5. Bio-unions and pH satellite symposia**

W. Boron, P. Hunter and A. McCulloch will be having a teleconference meeting on Wednesday, October 24 to discuss the email to ICSU Bio-unions asking for a commitment to fund the symposium. P. Hunter is looking at Chichley House as a venue instead of Shrigley which are both near London, UK.

The pH symposium has an organizing committee in place to select speakers. R. Vaughan-Jones (Oxford, UK) has made all the local arrangements.

#### **6. Bids for 2021 Congress**

There are currently three countries which are going to be making bids for the 2021 Congress. They are Australia, China and Africa.

#### **7. Videographer**

The Executive Committee was asked by L. Price to view the website of the proposed photographer, Edward Shaw. (<http://www.edwardshaw.co.uk>) She will contact a reference from E. Shaw.

<p><b>Action:</b> ExCo members will view the photographer's website. L. Price will contact the reference from E. Shaw for information.</p>
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#### **8. Other business**

The new IUPS website is aiming for completion offline by December 1, 2012 and going online by January 21, 2013.

The meeting ended at 3:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Price