

**IUPS Executive Committee
Teleconference Meeting
Agenda**

May 17, 2013

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

The meeting started at 3:30pm.

1. Approval of minutes of March 28, 2012 Executive Committee meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Website

D. Huffman and P. Hunter will talk about how to proceed

Action: <u>P. Hunter</u> will continue to assist in the development of the new website.
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3. Board of the General Assembly

The next item for the BGA to address is the election of a chair. M. Spyer has volunteered to be chair and L. Price will send an email to all members for their approval. Once the chair is elected, he/she will organize a meeting to elect a vice chair. The Vice Chair of the Executive Committee will be the liaison for the BGA. The report on the state of physiology will not be presented at the 2013 General Assembly due to the lack of time to prepare. Instead, it will be presented at the 2017. This will allow the writers of the report to determine the scope and information sources.

Action: As liaison to the BGA, <u>P. Hunter</u> will inform the chair that a report on the state of physiology will be given at the 2017 General Assembly.

4. Bio-unions symposium

The website for the symposium has been created and will include registration and application for travel grants.

5. Russia, Burma, N. Korea

Council member S. Semnanian was able to get a visa to enter the UK for the IUPS Congress. D. Noble will check with N. Boross-Toby to see if there are any Iranians waiting for visas. M. Gordon and L. Price will discuss the best way for S. Semnanian to bring the dues for Iran to the Congress.

D. Noble informed the committee that the UK Moscow office will work with P. Balaban to let him get a business visa. He is also going to contact the Thai businessman about donating an extra \$1,000 for a Burmese physiologist to attend the Congress.

D. Noble will contact N. Korea again. It was agreed that IUPS should continue to try getting N. Korea physiologists to the 2017 Congress.

Action: D. Noble will check with N. Boross-Toby about any Iranians waiting for visas. He will also contact the Thai businessman about contributing \$1,000 more and the N. Korean UK embassy about visas. M. Gordon and L. Price will talk with S. Semnanian about bringing the Iranian dues to Congress.

6. Dues structure

It was decided to wait until the next General Assembly in 2017 for a vote on a new dues structure. The new council needs to discuss this as an item on their agenda. W. Boron will write a framework on the procedure for moving forward. It was hoped that within the next two years the actual proposal can be worked out.

Action: W. Boron will write a framework on the procedure for changes to the dues structure.

7. Other business

2017 Congress in Brazil was discussed. Their 2014 conference will be a way to educate themselves about what will be needed for 2017. B. Muchado would like to meet with the Africans at their reception. This could encourage India and S. America to see the IUPS Congress as an important international event. D. Noble will tell B. Muchado that he may come to African meeting and L. Price will give D. Noble the time and place.

While in Brazil, D. Noble will explore the finances for 2017 and may put something on the agenda for council for deciding the costs. It was agreed that IUPS should send the TPS contract to B. Muchado with guidelines for drawing up a contract.

D. Noble will ask Benedito to attend the current council meeting before Congress. The Council will talk with him about items in the contract and how to make the Congress cost effective. They will explain that TPS has not been giving quarterly reports and that it is very important for Brazil to start now giving reports. D. Noble will speak in person to B. Muchado and W. Boron will write B. Muchado a letter about compose reports.

Action: D. Noble will ask B. Muchado in person to attend the Council meeting before the General Assembly. W. Boron will write him about how to compose the reports about the ongoing plans. L. Price will make comparison of timelines for 2005, 2009 and 2013 to use to generate a timeline for 2017.

The meeting ended at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Price