

International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry

96th MEETING OF BUREAU

Web-based GoToMeeting 27 May 2015

Decisions and Actions

1. Bureau Members taking part in the Virtual Bureau meeting:

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| Prof. Christopher Brett, Portugal | Prof. Roberto Marquardt, France |
| Dr. Mark Cesa, RTP Office, USA | Dr. Laura McConnell, USA |
| Prof. John Corish, Ireland | Prof. Christopher Ober, USA |
| Prof. Mary Garson, Australia | Dr. Thomas Perun, USA |
| Prof. Richard Hartshorn, New Zealand | Prof. Jan Reedijk, Netherlands |
| Dr. Karl-Heinz Hellwich, Germany | Prof. Natalia Tarasova, Russia |
| Prof. D. Brynn Hibbert, Austria | Prof. Kazuyuki Tatsumi, Japan |
| Mr. Colin Humphris, UK RTP Office | Prof. Ron Weir, Canada |
| Prof. Ram Lamba, Puerto Rico | Dr. Bernard West, Canada |
| Ms. Bonnie Lawlor, USA | Prof. Kaoru Yamanouchi, Japan |
| | Prof. Qi-Feng Zhou, China, |

Secretary: Dr. Lynn M. Soby, RTP Office, USA

Present: Dr. Fabienne Meyers, USA

Absent: Prof. Russell Boyd, Canada; Prof. Michael Buback, Germany; Prof. Tavarere Chandrashekar, India; Prof. Mei-Hung Chiu, Taiwan; Prof. Leiv Sydnes, Norway

- A request for additional agenda items was made. The Agenda was approved without additions.
- The Minutes of 95th Meeting of Bureau in Coimbra Portugal were approved subject to approval of an update of the Division VIII report. This was received following the meeting. It was agreed that actions arising should be addressed at the 97th meeting of Bureau in Busan on 11th August 2015.
- The Minutes of the 153rd meeting of Executive Committee were noted by Bureau in relation to the following Executive Committee Decisions:
 - The approval for the recruitment of a financial controller.
 - The approval and completion of the office move that was required on the termination of the previous office lease.
 - The commissioning of the company TheeDesign to develop the new website iupac.org.
 - The agreement with DeGruyter for the development of the IUPAC "Standards Online Database" as an added value search tool to enhance Pure and Applied Chemistry. Bonnie Lawlor commended the Task

Group's effort working with DeGruyter on the database development. Mark Cesa thanked the group for their fine effort.

- The approval of revised Terms of Reference for the Committee on Publications and Cheminformatics Data Standards (CPCDS) to go forward to Council.
- The approval of revised Terms of Reference for the Evaluation Committee (EvC) to go forward to Council.

5. Financial Matters

- A financial update by Treasurer was noted by Bureau.
- The payment status of NAOs and ANAOs was reviewed by the Executive Director with particular attention paid to the consequences of IUPAC Statute 9.2. The Associated Organizations that are well in arrears was reviewed.
 - This states specifically that any Adhering Organization in arrears for a period of 24 months from the due date shall automatically cease to be a member of the Union. In response to the question of the process for readmission of such Adhering Organizations, Bureau agreed that the Executive Committee should develop appropriate policy guidelines and review the relevant Statutes. **Action: Executive Committee.**
 - Statute 9.2 also has implications for the membership of bodies of the Union for all persons belonging to an Adhering Organization that ceases to be a member. They can continue to the end of their period of service only at the discretion of the Bureau. It was agreed that Prof. Javier Garcia of Spain could continue as a member of Bureau until the end of his period of service in December 2015. If he chooses to attend Busan, his support would be as a Bureau member in his current term.
- The draft of the Finance Committee Meeting of February 2015 was noted.
- The budget for 2016-17 was reviewed and approved. The proposed National Subscriptions calculated using the Council approved algorithm were also approved to go forward to Council, however there were concerns over the wide variations in national increases despite limiting overall growth in subscriptions to 2% per annum in US dollars. The officers were asked to develop an alternative, more equitable, interim proposal for review by Bureau prior to submission to Council; **Action: Treasurer with the Officers.** It was anticipated that the incoming Treasurer would lead a review of the basis of subscription calculations for future biennia; **Action: Treasurer elect in Busan.**

6. The progress on the Strategy Review was described by the President and well received by Bureau. Bureau members were requested to provide comments and suggestions they may have on the mission statement, vision, core values, goals and objectives by 15th June 2015; **Action: Bureau members.**

7. The Vice President's Critical Assessment was received by Bureau prior to Council. Following Natalia Tarasova's presentation and discussion, the Bureau was asked for

comments and feedback; **Action: Bureau members to provide comments and feedback to Natalia prior to the General Assembly.**

8. 48th General Assembly (2015)

- The General Assembly schedule and arrangements were reviewed and confirmed.
- The Executive Director gave an update on the elections processes and the differing experiences across the Divisions and Standing Committees were noted. On completion of the 2015 process, the Executive Director was asked to audit the process so that the Union can build on the experience for 2017; **Action: Executive Director.**
- An update on the organization of the 2015 WCLM was provided by Laura McConnell and Mei-Hung Chui and Bureau members encouraged to attend and support the Young Observers taking part.

9. The proposal from Canada for the 2016 Bureau Meeting to be held at McGill University in Montreal, on April 8 to 10, 2016 was approved.

10. Any Other Business. Feedback on the effectiveness of “GoToMeeting” for interim Bureau meetings was very positive. The meeting was considered a success and a good learning experience.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Lynn M. Soby

Executive Director