

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR ACOUSTICS

Minutes of the 2005 ICA Board meeting held on 2005 August 6 in Rio de Janeiro

10:30-16:30 hrs

Sofitel Hotel

Rio de Janeiro

1. Opening and Approval of the Agenda

President Nelson opens the meeting at 10;30 am on Saturday, 2005 August 6 in room 136 of Business Center of Sofitel Hotel.

Present were:

Philip A. Nelson, President
Sonoko Kuwano, Secretary General
Hugo Fastl, Treasurer
Gilles Daigle, Past President
Jing Tian (rep. Hou)
Michel Berengier (rep. Blan-Benon)
Charles Schmid
Antoni Sliwinski
Stephen Crandall
Michael Vorlander
Antonio Perez-Lopez
Manion Burgess
Barry M. Gibbs (rep. Jan Verheij)

Regrets were received from Suk Wang Yoon, Roberto Pompoli, Nikolai Dubrovsky, Douglas Cato, Ewald Benes, Juan Gallego-Juarez, Anders Bostrom, Tor Kihlman, and Hideki Tachibana. Regrets were also received from Samir Gerges, who kindly arranged the meeting place and could not join the meeting since he was fully occupied with the organization of Inter-noise 2005.

Also present at the meeting was Calvo-Manzan representing the 19th ICA in Madrid.

The following agenda was approved:

2005 ICA Board Meeting Agenda

Date: 6 August 2005, 10:30-18:00

Place: room 136 at Sofitel business center, level 1

Sofitel Hotel. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

01. Opening and Approval of the Agenda
02. Announcements
03. Introduction of associate members for 2005-2008
04. Minutes of the 2004 Board Meeting held in Kyoto
05. Report of the IUPAP Council and Commission Chairs Meeting
06. Report of Treasurer: Financial Report; Member Dues Status and Expenses
07. Fiscal year of ICA and ICA budget

08. Currency of ICA budget
09. Commission New Membership / Resignation
10. ICA Sponsorship of Other Meetings on Acoustics
11. ICA Support and Sponsorship of Regional Meetings
 - report of the meetings ICA supported in 2004
 - . Subjective and Objective Assessment of Sound, 2004 (Poznan, Poland)
 - . 9th Meeting of the European Society of Sonochemistry, 2004 (Badajoz, Spain)
 - . 9th School on Acousto-optics and applications, 2004 (Gdansk, Poland)
 - . 7th International Symposium on Transport Noise and Vibration, 2004 (St. Petersburg, Russia)
 - status of the sponsorship in 2005
12. IUPAP/IUTAM Sponsorship of Conferences
13. Report of 18th ICA, Kyoto 2004
14. 19th ICA Progress Report, Madrid 2007
15. 20th ICA Progress Report, Sydney 2010
16. Promotion of International Union for Acoustics within ICSU
 - Relationship with IUPAP and IUTAM
 - Report on the IIAV Board Meeting
 - Promotion of Member Society
17. Future ICA Congresses
18. Other Business
19. Next Meeting Schedule
20. Close of the Meeting

2. Announcement

Announcements were made regarding the lunch schedule and the wine reception to be held at 18:00 in Sofitel Hotel together with the board members of I-INCE.

3. Introduction of associate members for 2005-2008

Associate members for 2005-2008 were introduced. They are;
 Stephen Crandall (IUTAM), Anders Bostrom (IUTAM), Michael Vorlaender (EAA),
 Hideki Tachibana (I-INCE), Suk Wang Yoon (WESPAC), Antonio Perez-Lopez
 (ICA2007), Marion Burgess (ICA2010) and Jan Verheij (IIAV)

4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2004 Board Meetings and General Assembly held in Kyoto

The following minutes were approved with slight modification. The modified minutes of the Board Meetings and General Assembly will be sent later.

- 1st and 2nd board meeting held in Kyoto in April 2004.
- General Assembly held in Kyoto on 7 April 2004.

5. Report of the IUPAP Council and Commission Chairs Meeting

President Nelson began by explaining the background to the application by ICA to become a member of the International Council for Science (ICSU). All Board members had been kept informed of the application process, and a copy of the final application submitted to ICSU during the Spring of 2005 had been circulated to all Board Members and Member Societies. The application had been supported by IUPAP following the Council and Commission

Chairs meeting held in Mumbai during October 2004 and subsequent correspondence between President Nelson, Past President Daigle and the IUPAP Secretariat. A draft of the application had been sent to all existing International Scientific Union Members of ICSU and a number of National Scientific Members. The final application had been supported by the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, the International Union of Geological Sciences, the International Geographical Union, the International Union of Soil Science, the International Mathematical Union, the International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, the International Union of Pharmacology, and the International Union of Crystallography. National Scientific members supporting the application included those from Canada, Poland, Spain, Germany, China and Russia.

Steve Crandall representing IUTAM explained the response to the application by IUTAM. Steve had put the case at the IUTAM Meeting held in August 2004. The IUTAM Assembly had been split exactly 50/50 with regard to the support of the application and this had been transmitted in the application to ICSU.

President Nelson reported that he had since heard from ICSU that the Council of ICSU had regarded the application for full membership as “premature”, but that they had recommended that ICA be granted Associate Member status. It was suggested that this should be discussed further under Agenda item 16.

6. Report of Treasurer: Financial Report; Member Dues Status and Expenses

Treasurer Fastl gave a Power Point report on the balance of ICA financial account for the two periods; one since the last treasurer’s report and the other for the year 2004. Also the status of payment of annual dues from member societies was reported, which is fairly in good condition.

7. Fiscal year of ICA and ICA budget

Treasurer Fastl proposed the plan of budget of ICA for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 and to decide that the fiscal year of ICA should be from January to December. These were approved by the board. The approved budget is as follows.

EXPENSES 2005 and 2006

Symposia	EUR 5 500
Banking fees and Administration	EUR 1 200
Unforseen	EUR 800
Total	EUR 7 500

EXPENSES 2007

Early Career Awards	EUR 2 000
Young Scientist	
Conference Attendance Grant	EUR 5 000
Symposia	EUR 5 500
Banking fees and Administration	EUR 1 200
Unforseen	EUR 800
Total	EUR 14 500

Grand Total Expenses 2005-2007 EUR 29 500

INCOME 2005, 2006

Fees	EUR 4 020
Donations	EUR 480
ICA 2004	EUR 3 000
Total	EUR 7 500

INCOME 2007

Fees	EUR 4 020
Donations	EUR 480
ICA 2004	EUR 10 000
Total	EUR 14 500

Grand Total Income 2005-2007 EUR 29 500

Since ICA 2004 kindly transferred some EUR 16 0000 we can cover all expenses. If we have additional plans, we could take money from our account.

8. Currency of ICA budget

Treasurer Fastl proposed to use only EURO in ICA budget since the banking fee is considerable for USD. This proposal was approved by the board, but the corresponding item in the by-law of ICA should be revised by the approval of the general assembly.

9. Commission New Membership / Resignation

There was no new application or resignation.

10. ICA Sponsorship of Other Meetings on Acoustics

No application for sponsorship was received.

11. ICA Support and Sponsorship of Regional Meetings

The reports of the following three meetings ICA supported in 2004 were introduced.

- . Subjective and Objective Assessment of Sound, 2004 (Poznan, Poland)
- . 9th School on Acousto-optics and applications, 2004 (Gdansk, Poland)
- . 7th International Symposium on Transport Noise and Vibration, 2004 (St. Petersburg, Russia)

No report was sent from 9th Meeting of the European Society of Sonochemistry, 2004 (Badajoz, Spain). A notice will be sent to the organizer asking to submit the report.

The status of the sponsorship in 2005 was reported. The voting for each application was made by e-mail.

The following three meetings were supported.

- ISNA: 17th International Symposium on Nonlinear Acoustics (USA) (2000USD)

- SASR: Speech Analysis, Synthesis and Recognition (Poland) (1500Euros)
- High Intensity Acoustic Waves in Modern Technological and Medical Applications (Russia) (800 Euros) (support jointly with ASA)

Prof. Sliwinski will attend SARS on behalf of ICA board.

The application of the following two meetings were not accepted.

- National Symposium on Acoustics-NSA 2004 (India)
- The International Conference on Nonlinear Phenomena in Environmental Research (Russia)

12. IUPAP/IUTAM Sponsorship of Conferences

The support of ICA Conferences by IUPAP was a matter of some uncertainty. Past President Daigle explained that IUPAP had previously indicated that IUPAP financial support for ICA Conferences should be withdrawn (and that this had been associated with an indication that ICA should proceed to become a member of ICSU in its own right). It was certainly the case that the ICA2004 meeting in Kyoto had not received financial support from IUPAP. However, President Nelson noted that the current proposals for funding meetings by IUPAP included reference to the ICA2007 meeting in Madrid. President Nelson would seek clarification from IUPAP and would be attending the Commission Chairs meeting to be held in Capetown during October 2005.

13. Report of ICA2004

Sonoko Kuwano, Secretary General of ICA2004, gave a power point report of the outline of the result of the 18th ICA held in Kyoto from 4-9 April 2004. Also the detailed written report was circulated to the board members.

14. 19th ICA Progress Report, Madrid 2007

Antonio Perez-Lopez, chair of technical committee of ICA2007, distributed the first announcement of ICA2007 and gave a progress report. ICA2007 will be held from 2 to 7 September 2007 in Madrid just after Inter-noise 2007 held in Istanbul, Turkey. Also two satellite symposia, ISMA2007 on music acoustics and ISRA2007 on room acoustics, were introduced.

15. 20th ICA Progress Report, Sydney 2010

Marion Burgess gave a progress report of ICA2010 to be held in Sydney, Australia in August 2010. She proposed to organize ICA2010 jointly with ASA annual meeting and expected about 1500 participants.

16. Promotion of International Union for Acoustics within ICSU

Past President Daigle reported the result of the application of ICA to the membership of ICSU as follows.

ICA has been accepted as an associate member of ICSU. In order to apply for full membership of ICSU in future, it would be important to indicate that ICA is an organization that brings together many related organizations such as I-INCE, EAA, WESPAC, FIA and IIAV etc. by presenting the information, activities and the budget of these related International and Regional Associations.

A major step forward in bringing together the related organizations would be to form a Conference Planning Committee at which all the International and Regional Associations would be represented. Past President Daigle agreed to draw up some guidelines for the operation of such a committee for circulation and agreement by Board Members and subsequently by the International and Regional Associations.

President Nelson agreed to progress this matter further with Past President Daigle and would write again to the International and Regional Associations explaining the status of the ICSU application and the future plans for enhancing cooperation and coordination between the various organizations represented.

If plans to enhance coordination and cooperation by this means were successful, it may be necessary to consider changes to the constitution of ICA at the next general Assembly to be held in Madrid at ICA2007. It may then be appropriate to change the name of ICA to IUA (International Union for Acoustics) and make associated related changes to the statutes and the by-laws.

It was approved by the board that ICA would accept the offer to become an associate member of ICSU.

17. Future ICA Congresses

The invitation of ICA2013 to Arlborg, Denmark was introduced distributing the bid. The final decision will be made at the board meeting in 2007 including the invitation from other places.

18. Other Business

It was proposed to re-consider the method for selecting the applicants for the Young Scientist Conference Attendance Grants at the next board meeting. Vice-President Yoon had agreed to coordinate both the Young Scientist Grants and the Early Career Award.

19. Next Board meeting Schedule

The next board meeting schedule will be decided after asking the board members about their attendance of the following international congresses.

Euronoise 30 May – 1 June, Finland

ASA 5-9 June, Providence, USA

WESPAC 26-28 June, Korea

ASA/ASJ Joint Meeting 28 November – 2 December, Hawaii

Inter-noise 2006 3-6 December, Hawaii

20 Close of the Meeting

The President closed the meeting at 4:30 p.m.