

Minutes of the General Assembly of the International Society of Biomechanics
Room M3, Brisbane Convention Centre, Brisbane QLD, Australia
12:00 – 12:45 Thursday 27 July 2017

Present: Andrew Cresswell (AC, Chair), Toni Arndt, Zahra Asgharpour, Sebastian Becker, Thor Besier, Maarten Bobbert, Bart Bolsterlee, Matthew Brodie, Melissa Boswell, John Challis, Nachiappan Chockalingam, Julie Choisne, Elizabeth Clarke, Mauricio Delgado, Catherine Disselhorst-Klug, Zac Domire, Genevieve Dumas, Brent Edwards, Veronique Feipel, Daniel Ferris, Bertrand Frechede, Laura-Anne Furlong, Wendy Gilleard, Rob Herbert, Walter Herzog, Patria Hume, Benter Jensen, Yvette Jones, Claire Jones, Andy Karduna, Kenton Kaufman, Uwe Kersting, Mark King, Joel Lanovaz, Li Li, Zong-Ming Li, Glen Lichtwark, Bruce Mason, Kirsty McDonald, Jill McNitt-Gray, Karen Mickle, Peter Milburn, Vera Moniz Pereira, Claudia Montejo, Benno Nigg, Antoine Nordez, Mark Pearcy, Carla Pereira, Wolfgang Potthast, Dan Ribeiro, Cristian Riveros, Mary Rodgers, Heidi Schewe, Peter Shull, Karen Sogaard, Julie Steele, Karine Stoelben, Gerda Strutzenberger, Dorel Sylvain, Brian Umberger, Benedicte Vanwanseele, Marco Vaz, Antonio Veloso, Henry Wang, John Whiting.

Apologies: Ton van den Bogert, Todd Pataky.

1. Welcome

The President, Andrew Cresswell (AC), welcomed members.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the 2015 meeting of the ISB General Assembly in Glasgow were circulated to members by email prior to the meeting and circulated in hard copy at the meeting. AC apologised that the minutes of the last assembly were circulated late.

A motion was moved from the Chair, supported by Julie Steele and seconded Mary Rodgers “that the minutes of the ISB General Assembly held in Glasgow on 15th July 2015, as emailed to members, be approved.” The motion was carried.

3. President’s report

The executive council met in Raleigh in July 2016 and again immediately prior to the congress. AC summarised developments in each portfolio.

Some very minor changes were made to the operating codes. The updated operating codes will be available on ISB web site shortly.

AC was simultaneously co-chair of the ISB2017 committee and ISB president. That generated a lot of work but has otherwise not been problematic. There have been nearly 1300 registrants of whom 1000 are international registrants (not including New Zealanders). The large number of registrations will increase income to the society. It appears likely that ISB2017 will generate a profit that will be returned to ISB.

The level of student engagement, especially through social media, has been excellent.

It has been difficult to fund initiatives in economically developing countries. Nonetheless the Economically Developing Countries Officer, Felipe Carpes, has been working hard to support biomechanics initiatives in South America. In the next two years the ISB will target support for Chile and Colombia. ISB now has good links with India through new council member Ranjani Mullerpatan.

The ISB's capacity to award grants has been at lower than usual levels for the past two years but should now return to normal levels.

AC noted work done by Catherine Disselhorst-Klug and Alberto Leardini in coordinating the awards and students awards programs, and thanked members who volunteered as reviewers for awards.

At the recent council meeting, Hand and Wrist Biomechanics International (H&WBI) was made a Technical Group of the ISB. The Motor Control Group has been a Working Group for two years and it is hoped that, with some small changes to its constitution, the group will satisfy the requirements needed to award Technical Group status in 2019.

The ISB Fellows recommended four new fellows be appointed. The nominations were ratified by council. The new ISB Fellows are John Challis, Kenton Kaufman, David Lloyd and Julie Steele. The ISB Fellows are considering refinements to the procedures used to award fellowships.

The 2019 Muybridge Award was awarded to Walter Herzog.

AC thanked the outgoing members of council: Past-President John Challis, Ed Chadwick, Bart Koopman, António Veloso, Kirsty McDonald and Rob Herbert.

Elections were held for five vacancies on the Executive Council. Toni Arndt will be President-Elect. The other new councillors are Melissa Boswell (student representative), Elizabeth Clarke, Rajani Mullerpatan and Dieter Rosenbaum. Joe Hamill, who has been President-Elect, will become President. Brent Edwards has been appointed as the new Secretary-General.

Four bids were received for hosting ISB2019. ISB2019 will be held in Calgary from 31 July to 4 August 2019. Several satellite symposia are planned.

The Carlo De Luca Emerging Scientist Award was awarded to Alessio Gallina, the Promising Scientist Award was awarded to Karl Zelik and the Clinical Biomechanics Award was awarded to Kent Kaufman.

Overall, 41 grants were awarded. They included 6 matching dissertation grants, 10 international travel grants, 21 congress travel grants, 3 technical group travel grants and 1 international affiliate development grant. In this next term the council will make additional efforts to support grant applicants from economically developing countries.

The recently redesigned ISB web site appears is functioning well. Content from ISB2017 will be placed on the members' part of the web site.

AC thanked the ISB sponsors, including gold sponsors Vicon, Nike, Elsevier, Delsys and Qualsys. There have been discussions around offering sponsors branding on Biomch-L. Thor Besier and Dan Benoit will work on that with the aim of implementing branding of sponsors on Biomch-L sometime in the next year. This will generate a new revenue stream for ISB.

Ed Chadwick has continued to produce the ISB newsletter, ISB Now. There are opportunities for sponsorship of ISB Now.

All of the Technical Groups have held symposia. Both H&WBI and the Motor Control Working Group held their symposia within the congress. This arrangement appears to have worked well.

There has been some movement in sponsorship but, largely as a result of the efforts of Dan Benoit and Graeme Wood, the ISB still have strong sponsors.

Currently there are 19 affiliated societies. It has not always been possible, in the last two years, for the ISB to sponsor keynote speakers at the meetings of affiliate societies, but ISB has continued to sponsor student awards.

The Chilean Society is seeking affiliate society status. A motion was moved from the Chair, supported by Genevieve Dumas and seconded by Karen Sjøgaard "... that the ISB recognize the Chilean Association of Movement Science as an affiliate society." The motion was carried. AC congratulated the leadership of the Chilean Society.

The portfolios of some members of council become very large. The constitution allows the council to establish subcommittees to support councillors.

The conference tutorials have been a resounding success. AC thanked Taija Finni and Glen Lichtwark. Videos of tutorial and other content will be placed on the members' section of the ISB web site.

4. Treasurers' report

The Treasurer, Graeme Wood, reported that ISB is in good financial standing. Total assets are more than AUD \$190,000. In 2015/16 revenue was ~AUD \$162,000 and expenses were ~AUD \$180,000. ISB had budgeted on a loss in 2015/16, but the actual loss was larger than budgeted. In 2016/17 the result was turned around, with revenue of ~AUD \$172,000 and expenses of ~AUD \$51,00, leading to a larger profit than was budgeted for. The ISB's main source of income continues to be membership dues and sponsorship. The main expense was student grants. Expenditures have been quite close to budget.

The financial reports were audited by Julie Steele and Todd Pataky. The auditors endorsed the ISB's financial statements. A motion was moved by Julie Steele, supported by Walter Herzog and seconded by Mary Rodgers "... that the General Assembly accept the financial reports prepared by the Treasurer as a true and correct statement of the Society's finances." The motion was carried.

Graeme then presented the 2017-19 budget. It is expected there will be a profit returned from the congress and tutorials. There will be increased expenditure on student grants and economically developing countries. The forecast is for profit in 2017/18 of AUD \$12,500 and in 2018/19 of AUD \$23,000.

A motion was moved from the Chair, supported by Veronique Feipel and seconded by Thor Besier "...that the budget, as presented by the Treasurer, be approved". The motion was carried.

5. Thanks

AC thanked outgoing council members.

6. Introduction to the new executive council

AC introduced the new executive council:

Joe Hamill (President)
Andrew Cresswell (Past-President)
Toni Arndt (President-elect)
Daniel Benoit (Sponsorship Officer)
Thor Besier (Informatics Officer)
Melissa Boswell (Student representative)
Felipe Carpes (Economically Developing Countries Officer)
Elizabeth Clarke (Technical Groups Officer)
Catherine Disselhorst-Klug (Awards Officer)
Brent Edwards (Secretary-General)
Taija Finni (Education and Tutorials Officer)
Alberto Leardini (Student Awards Officer)
Glen Lichtwark (Education and Tutorials Officer)
Rajani Mullerpatan (Affiliate Societies Officer)
Dieter Rosenbaum (Publications Officer)
Graeme Wood (Treasurer)

7. Other business

AC invited any other business from the floor. No issues were raised. Members were invited to contact AC about any issues at any stage.

Toni Arndt thanked AC for his work as President over the past two years.

The meeting was closed at 12:45 pm.

Rob Herbert
Secretary-General

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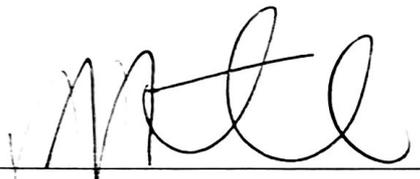
AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the Society's financial records for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. The total assets as at June 30, 2015, together with the detailed income and expenditure for the 2015/16 and 2016/17 financial periods agree with current balances shown in the Society's bank accounts.

The income and expenditure statements for the 2015/16 and 2016/17 periods were examined and found to be consistent with the budgets approved at the General Assembly in Glasgow, UK, in July 2015.

Clarification was sought on some matters and the explanations given by the Treasurer were to our satisfaction.

Signed



Julie Steele

Todd Pataky

Appointed Auditors

Date: July 26, 2017