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Minutes of the Meeting of the IARR New Council.

Friday 29th May 2015, 12:00-13:00**Room 104, International Conference Centre, Kyoto****Draft to be approved during the 2017 Interim Council Meeting****Agenda.**

1. Welcome by the President and adoption of the agenda (President)
2. Budget and financial matters (Secretary-Treasurer)
 - 2.1. Proposed budget for the period 1st January 2015 - 31st December 2019
 - 2.2. Support to small meetings
 - 2.3. Support of young investigators to attend ICRR meetings
 - 2.4. Value of the Kaplan Award
3. Constitutional amendments (President)
4. Report on preparations for the 16th ICRR in Manchester (Penny Jeggo)
5. Future ICRR meetings and selection procedure for venue 17th ICRR (President)
6. Suggestions for venue of 2017 Interim Council meeting (President)
7. Any other business (President)
8. Close of meeting (President)

Elected Council Members.

President: Mary Helen Barcellos-Hoff, New York University, NY, USA

Vice-President/President-Elect: Yoshi Shimada, NIRS, Chiba, Japan.

Secretary-Treasurer: Penny Jeggo, University of Sussex, England.

Newly elected Council members:

Chemistry: Jean-Luc Ravanat, CEA Grenoble, France

Physics: Francesca Ballarini, University of Pavia, Italy

Biology: Rob P Coppes, University of Groningen, The Netherlands

Medicine: Kiyoshi Miyagawa, The University of Tokyo, Japan



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At Large:

Gayle E Woloschak, Northwestern University, USA
George Iliakis, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
Susan Bailey, Colorado State University, USA

Elected Council Members present:

President:	Mary Helen-Barcellos-Hoff
Vice-President:	Yoshi Shimada
Secretary-Treasurer	Penny Jeggo
Councilor Representing Chemistry:	Jean-Luc Ravanat
Councilor at large I	Gayle Woloschak
Councilor at large III:	Susan Bailey
Councilor representing ERRS:	George Don Jones
Councilor representing RRS:	Bruce Kimler.
Councilor representing the Japan Association for Radiation Research:	Takeo Ohnishi

Councilors absent.

Councilor representing Physics:	Francesca Ballarini
Councilor representing Biology:	Rob Coppes
Councilor representing Medicine:	Miyoshi Miyagawa
Councilor at Large II:	George Iliakis
Councilor representing the Asian Association for Radiation Research (AARR):	Polat Kazymbet
Councilor representing the china Committee for Radiation Research (CCRR):	Zigiaing Pan
Councilor representing the Irish Radiation Research Society (IRRS):	Fiona Lyng
Councilor representing the Korean Association for Radiation Research:	Eun Kyung Choi
Councilor representing the Nederlands voor Radiobiologie (Dutch Society for Radiobiology):	Peter Sminia
Councilor representing the Polskie Towarzystwo Badan Radiacyjnych:	Antonina Cebulska-Wasilewska
Councilor representing the Italian Radiation Research Society (SIRR):	Maria Antonella Tabocchini.



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1. Minutes of the Agenda.

The new President Mary Helen Barcellos-Hoff (MH B-H) welcomed all participants and congratulated the new members. The Agenda was presented and adopted without changes.

2. Budget and Financial matters.

2.1. Proposed budget for the period 1st January 2015 – 31st December 2018.

The proposed budget for the 2015 to 2018 period was presented and ratified by the New Council. No increase in subscription charges were deemed necessary. It had not yet been verified whether the advance support for 15th ICRR (Kyoto, Japan) of EUR 40,000 would be refunded. This would be notified once the finances of the meeting had been reconciled and whether a profit had been made. There was a commitment of 2000 Euro to support the International Workshop on Radiation Damage to DNA in Melbourne, Australia in 2016. The current balance of the budget stood at 154,000 Euros, which was close to the balance at the previous New Council meeting in Warsaw. With two exceptions (see below), all other societies were fully paid up. It was agreed that the organisers of ICRR2019 would be given a loan of 40,000 Eur with the goal of repayment if the meeting makes a profit.

2.2 Support to small meetings.

As mentioned above, there was a commitment to support the International Workshop on Radiation Damage to DNA in Melbourne, Australia in 2016 for 2000 Eur which would come from the previous budget. No additional requests for meeting support had been made but further applications were likely. It was agreed that 10,000 Eur should be allocated to support small meetings. It was stressed that support was not available to support the individual research society meetings.

2.3 Support of young investigators to attend ICRR meetings.

This was considered to be an important aspect of meeting support and it was agreed to maintain the support of EUR 15,000 for young investigator travel awards.

2.4 The Kaplan Award.

Bruce Kimler (BK) explained that nominations for the Kaplan award are sought 18 months to 2 years prior to the next ICRR meeting in 2019. The selection committee for the award normally includes the IARR President, Vice-President and Past-President. In the event that one of these people is nominated for the award, he can be replaced by another IARR Councilor. The current value of the award was 3000 K Eur.



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3.0 Constitutional Amendments.

3.1 A proposal was made to decrease the number of members necessary for an organization to join IARR from 100 to 50. The Constitution states that the member organizations should pay annual dues to the Association based on at least 100 active members, as laid down in the Bylaws of the Association. The number of Delegates which each member organization may appoint to the Assembly (Bylaw No. 6) is calculated from the average membership fees paid to the Association during the two years preceding the General Assembly. To change this bylaw it is necessary for two member organizations to submit a proposal for an amendment, which must occur before an amendment is put to a vote.

3.2 There was a proposal by the US RRS and the Dutch RRS to amend the constitution to increase the number of council members based on the society membership (1: 101-499; 2: 500-999; etc), just as delegates are. The US and Japanese RRS have more than 500 members. However, this amendment was not carried and will not be adopted.

3.3 The constitution states that when any member organization has failed to pay its dues for three consecutive years, Council shall consider termination of its membership. Two member organizations currently fell into this category. The dues of the combined German societies and the Korean Association have not been paid.

3.3.1 It was deemed that the major problem for the German Society was due to the change in representative from Herwig Paretzke, who has retired, to Werner Ruehm, who is the current representative and present at the IARR council meeting. Therefore the grace period will be extended.

3.3.2 The Korean Association has failed to respond to request for payments for three years. It was agreed to notify the Korean Association that their membership had lapsed with the option to re-apply by paying one year subscription charges.

4.0 Report on preparations for the 16th ICRR in Manchester (Penny Jeggo)

Penny Jeggo gave a report on the preparations for ICRR2019. The Congress will be held in Manchester conference centres from 25th to 29th August 2019. Information was provided about international access to Manchester, the location of the venue and the preparations to date. A website to register interest is currently available.

5.0 Future ICRR meetings and selection procedure for venue 17th ICRR (President)

It was recognised that it is preferable to have at least two bids for the 2023 meeting and it was agreed that the Secretary would send an email to the individual societies asking



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them to consider hosting the meeting and preparing a bid. Factors to consider in preparing a bid were good international access, a large conference centre and good organisation. Additional factors such as the weather at the time of the meeting, the nature of the conference venue (ie congress Centre, Hotel or University Lecture Halls), whether visas were required and the range of hotels available.

6.0 Suggestions for venue of 2017 Interim Council meeting (President)

The venues considered were the venue for the 63rd Rad Res meeting in Cancun, Mexico versus a site of the ERR meeting in Europe. This was currently unclear and the exact location would be determined. It was agreed that the precise date and venue would be decided by email.

7.0 Any other business.

There was no other business.

8.0 The close of the meeting.