



The International Society for Neutron Capture Therapy

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Minutes: Pre-Congress Meeting of the Executive Board (EB) – ICNCT-18

Time: 11:20 AM – 1:20 PM Sunday October 28, 2018

The EB meeting was called to order at 11:20 AM by Fong-In Chou, President of ISNCT and of ICNCT-18. All the EB Members were present but Satish Jalisatgi (Immediate Past President). The agenda was approved and is outlined below:

- Call to Order, Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes: Pre-Congress EB Meeting at ICNCT-17 in Missouri
- Report from the President on organization of ICNCT-18 in Taiwan
- Report of Immediate Past-President on ICNCT-17 in Missouri
- Discussion on the MOU for money transfer from Missouri directly to Granada: approval
- Report of President-Elect on plans for ICNCT-19 in Granada
- Proposals for YBNCT 10
- Summary of the 4 Proposals for ICNCT-20 in 2022
- Discussion on the new Constitution draft
- Discussion on the process of election of 10 new BOC members
- Discussion on the process of election of 4 new EB members
- Discussion about membership fees and ISNCT budget if new constitution is approved
- TECDOC
- New Business

The minutes of the Pre-Congress EB Meeting at ICNCT-17 in Columbia were made available to the attendees and were approved by acclamation.

Fong-In reported on the organization of ICNCT-18 and plans for the Congress just beginning showing a power point with the summary of the most important facts (attached here as an accompanying file). Among these facts, she reported that the participants to ICNCT-18 were 348, with 208 contributions (126 oral presentations, 82 posters); in addition, 39 participants were invited. 3 Hatanaka awards have been presented and 4 training courses have been offered.

On behalf of Satish, Silva presented a short report on ICNCT-17 (Columbia, 2016). The report comprised a summary of the most important facts, the group photo and a link with a video taken at the social dinner. The power point is included here as an accompanying file. Satish also provided a summary of the budget of ICNCT-16, also included here. Silva Bortolussi was delegated by Satish Jalisatgi as a representative of MU to present the fiscal report. In this fiscal report, a remaining sum of 31,751.33 US\$ has been reported. After analysing it, the report has been approved unanimously.

Following what has been done in the past editions of ICNCT, the remaining sum should have been transferred to Taiwan for the organization of ICNCT-18 on the basis of a MoU, whose form could be copied from the previous one signed between Finland and Missouri. However, due to a delay in the administrative process, the fund transfer could not be finalized in time. Organizing committee of ICNCT-18 thus declined to receive the

funds from MU, and requested to transmit them directly to the organizers of ICNCT-19 in Spain. After informal agreement via e-mail, a MoU describing this situation was prepared by MU with the help of David Nigg and was presented to the EB for approval. The MoU refers to the previous document signed between Finland and Missouri, that should have been signed also between Missouri and Taiwan, but that has never been produced because the transfer was never finalized. There was a short discussion on the signatures in this document: should it be Taiwan Society of NCT (TSNCT) or ICNCT-18 President? The answer was that TSNCT also agreed on this MoU by e-mail, thus also TSNCT President was asked to sign the MoU.

The MoU for fund transfer from Missouri to Granada has been approved unanimously and the document has been signed. For reference, the files of the signed MoU and the previous MoU are included. Further attached documents are Satish letter to delegate Silva and David's mail to further clarify the MoU producing process.

Ignacio suggested that, in the new concept of ISNCT, the remained sum could be used also to sustain some expenses for Society activities. Andrés observed that in the new Society a working group should be dedicated to budget revision and management. Ignacio thanks MU staff for enabling this process and all EB thanks Organizing Committee of ICNCT-18 to make the Congress without the help of MU remaining funds, generously offering the transfer directly to Granada.

Ignacio presented a provisional budget for ICNCT-19, foreseeing an average fee of 500 Euro. Yuan-Hao asked if there will be more sponsors and if the support of local government is expected. Ignacio answered positively. Document attached for reference.

Iiro presented his proposal for a 3-days YBNCT meeting in Finland, tentative dates in early September (slide included).

Silva presented the 4 candidates that would propose their ideas for ICNCT-20 in the BOC meeting afterwards.

The discussion on the new Constitution document and new features of the Society (including membership fees and working groups) was postponed to the next BOC meeting.

Followed a summary on the BOC members election modalities: nominations for candidates are accepted from the beginning of the Congress until early morning of the day of the General Assembly. Written nominations will be collected from Monday morning until approximately 9:00 AM on Wednesday at which time the Congress staff will compile the nominations into a single ballot for voting, that will be available at the desk. Voting is foreseen for a slot in the program during Thursday before the Assembly. Each member will be instructed to choose two names in each scientific field, for a total of eight votes. Votes will be collected and counted, and the results announced during the Assembly. Two more BOC members will be elected by EB during the post-Congress meeting, after new BOC will be completed, 4 EB members will be elected by BOC in the same meeting.

A short discussion about TecDoc production and handling was carried out. Yuan-Hao asked who should be in charge of the evaluation and approval of the different chapters: EB or a dedicated working group? Iiro suggested that each report should be published as a stand-alone paper, and afterward, a working group should summarize everything in a guideline document that may be presented to IAEA. Andrés asked whether we really need to publish another IAEA TecDoc, we could also circulate the guidelines in our community. Akira observed that the previous TecDoc still exists, thus it would be good to publish another one. EB agreed on the fact that all the solutions proposed can be adopted and that the presentation to IAEA can be the last step of a more general process where the new EB promotes the production of reports that should become new reference points of scientific BNCT activities.

Session closes at 13:20.