

## **Minutes of the ISCE Business Meeting, Champaign-Urbana 2014**

Chair: Stefan Schulz, president ISCE

### ***Agenda***

1. Opening

2. Results of elections

Vice-President Kenneth Haynes, secretary Irena Valterová, councilors Astrid Groot, Elisabeth Eilers, Patrizia d'Ettorre, and Resen Zeng

3. Information on present meeting (local host, May Berenbaum)

310 participants from 33 countries, 70 student participants, 50 volunteers, sponsors

4. Information on next meeting (Christer Löfstedt)

June 29 – July 3, 2015 in Stockholm, Sweden, organizers Anna-Karin Borg-Karlson and Christer Löfstedt, conference venue: Stockholm university scientific program: 2 parallel sections, invited speakers, keynote speakers, award speakers

registration is expected to open in September/October

deadline for abstracts is planned for March 1<sup>st</sup>

ISCE members are invited to organize symposia

5. The ISCE Annual meeting in 2018 will be hosted by Miclós Tóth and Zoltán

Imrei (Hungarian Academy of Sciences) in Hungary (Budapest or vicinity)

6. Journal of Chemical Ecology, Editor-in-Chief's report (John Romeo)

average 390 incoming manuscripts per year

2013 – 136 papers published, 23 reviews, special issues

special issues are 3 times more cited than “regular” issues

rejection rate is about 70 %, 27 % rejected without reviews

publication time in average 2.5 months

40. birthday special issue 6/2014

strong competition of other journals

ISCE members are strongly encouraged to submit their good work to J.

Chem. Ecol.

Press releases by Springer were suggested to increase the “visibility” of good papers in chemical ecology

7. Webmaster’s report (Rob Mitchell)

The website has approx. 1000 visits per month (with peaks after publishing Newsletters)

most visited section is “employment”

personal access with login and password is under consideration

8. Small changes in bylaws will be announced in the next Newsletter

9. Treasurer report 2013 was given by Jeremy Allison and approved by the present members.

10. Financial guidelines – the discussion needs more time. Main question: should the Society spend more money on meetings and awards or should the money be saved for future? A closer committee has been established to discuss the guidelines in detail and come with suggestions at the next ISCE Annual meeting

11. Christer Löfstedt was suggested as a candidate for the next Vice-President. People are encouraged to suggest candidates for councilors (5 outgoing councilors have to be replaced: 4 by vote, one past-president).