

Minutes of the ISCE Business Meeting, Kyoto 2017

Friday August 25, 2017

Chair: Christer Löfstedt, president ISCE

Agenda

1. Opening

2. Results of elections

Vice-president: Coby Schal. *Treasurer:* Junwei (Jerry) Zhu. *Secretary:* Irena Valterová. *Councilors:* Vincas Būda, Gabrielle Nevitt, Sandra Steiger, Sybille Unsicker.

3. Information on future meetings

2018 Budapest, Hungary (Miklós Tóth). The date will be August 12-18, 2018. It will be co-organized by Miklós Tóth (Plant Protection Institute, Centre for Agriculture Research, Hungarian Academy of Sciences) and Zoltán Imrei (Hungarian Plant Protection Society). The venue will be Hotel Flamenco, located in the city centre and near the Agricultural University. The hotel has capacity to accommodate 300 people; cheaper alternative for students will be offered in student dormitories of the university. Three parallel sections are planned for oral presentations. Website of the meeting will open in November 2017, registration will start in December 2017, and deadline for abstracts is planned for April 2018.

2019 Atlanta, USA

2020 Cape Town, South Africa

2021 Malaysia (joint meeting ISCE+APACE)

2022 Bangalore, India

4. Treasurer's report 2016

Treasurer's report 2016 was given by Jeremy Allison. The society paid the student travel awards (12 students), student poster and presentation awards, and invited speakers of the 2016 meeting. We paid the 2016 webmaster fees to maintain the website. We also paid \$990 for the

development of a website for the 2016 ISCE annual meeting. We reimbursed the Silver Medal, Silverstein-Simeone and Early Career Award winners for their travel expenses. The Medals are sponsored by DELWART BIOTEC, Trécé Incorporated and Springer Publishing Co. The report was audited and endorsed by Elisabeth Eilers and Andrés González Ritzel; it was approved by the present members.

5. Travel awards

Twelve winners of travel awards were announced : Claire Duménil, UK, Srishti Batra, India, Edita Ritmejerite, Australia, Erika Tóth, Sweden, Marc Bouwer, South Africa, Caroline De Clerk, Belgium, Youngsun Joo, Germany, Adrian Brückner, Germany, Ruth Schmidt, Netherlands, Ching-Wen Tan, USA, Aino Kalske, USA, and Johanna Chemnitz, Germany.

Certificates were handed over to those awardees that were present.

6. Information on Kyoto meeting

Short information on present meeting was given by the local host, Junji Takabayashi. The president expresses the Society's appreciation for the efforts of the local organizers making the meeting very successful.

7. Request from ALAEQ

The Latin American Association of Chemical Ecology (ALAEQ, represented by Paulo Zarbin and Jan Bergmann) has requested that the Journal of Chemical Ecology would become the official journal also for ALAEQ. JCE is already the official journal of the International Society of Chemical Ecology (ISCE) and the Asia-Pacific Association of Chemical Ecologists (APACE)

The Editor-in-Chief Garry W. Felton supports affiliation with ALAEQ and the ISCE Executive Committee and the Councilors approved the idea unanimously.

8. Journal of Chemical Ecology, Editor-in-Chief's report (Garry W. Felton)

The transfer of duties between John Romeo and Gary Felton took effect after the January issue. John Romeo was awarded for his outstanding service to the society (Outstanding Service Award).

J. Chem. Ecol. is running under the same rules as earlier. In spite the IF dropped from 3.15 to 2.36 this year, all hope that it will not be a trend, rather a fluctuation. The rejection rate is 70 %. Obtaining reviews is time

consuming & difficult, time to decision needs to improve. The editor gets a significant number of manuscripts that are not relevant to the journal. We need more high quality submissions. Two special issues are planned for next year. The Editor-in-Chief would like to add an additional Associate Editor. His/her field of expertise is subject of discussion.

9. Other business

No other business.

Minutes approved

Irena Valterová

Secretary

Christer Löfstedt

Chairman, president