

**Division VI - Chemistry and the Environment (DCE)  
Conference Call Meeting – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

**Minutes**

**1. LM: Opening, welcome,**

*a. Members confirming participation,*

Laura McConnell- US- Division President-	(LM)
Petr Fedotov- Russia- Division Vice President-	(PF)
Hemda Garelick- UK- Division Secretary-	(HG)
Sirpa Herve- Finland-	(SH)
Supawan Tantayanon- -Thailand	(ST)
Rai Kookana- - Australia	(RK)
Nadia kandile – Egypt	(NK)
Manos Dassenakis- Greece	(MD)
Doo Soo Chung- Korea	(DSC)
Baoshan Xing- US	(BX)
Heinz Rudel- Germany	(HR)
Ana Aguiar-Ricardo – Portugal	(AAR)
Maria José Gonzalez-Spain	(MJG)
Kleter, Gijs – Netherland	(GK)
Roberto Terzano- Italy	(RT)
John Unsworth –UK	(JU)
Philippe Garrigues- France	(PG)
Pradeep Kumar- India	(PK)
Jasim Uddin Ahmad- Bangladesh	(JUA)

*b. Guests attending*

Nicola Senesi-Italy- Past President and chair of the Election Committee-	(NS)
Bradley Miller- US-	(BM)
Sherine O. Obare- US	(SO)

*c. Apologies,*

Vlasta Pilizota- Croatia
Tepavitcharova Stefka- Bulgaria
Hiroto Tamura –Japan
Chris Swyngedouw – Canada

**2. HG: Approval of Minutes Division Annual Meeting 8th and 9th August 2014- San Francisco**

**Approved Unanimously**

### 3. Update on DCE Election – NS

- a. NS Detailed the process which can also be found in the IUPAC site: Elections for the 2016–2017 Term (<http://www.iupac.org/news/news-detail/article/iupac-elections-for-the-2016-2017-term.html>) –
- b. NS emphasised that Call for Nominations Deadline is: 31 March 2015  
Nominations (including invitations to Chemical societies)
- c. The first step is to elect the nominating committee membership and propose it to the Secretary General for approval.
- d. The following was proposed and voted on
  - i. Nicola Senesi- Chair
  - ii. Ken Racke
  - iii. Willie Peijnenburg
  - iv. Ole Hertel

**The nominating committee was approved unanimously**

- e. LM explain the TM election eligibility .  
6 TMs are to be elected as well as Vice President post.
- f. NS also raised the election of IUPAC Officers and Bureau Members  
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(<http://www.iupac.org/news/news-detail/article/2015-election-of-iupac-officers.html>) -- Call for Nominations  
Deadline: 12 June 2015

**Action: NS to contact all members and inform them about their status and other required information. Action is complete. All committee members have agreed to serve. LM has forwarded information on the election committee to Lynn Soby and Fabienne Meyers.**

#### 4. LM : Presentation of the budget, and Projects

LM presented the budget and the project costs to the participants

Division Financials	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total Biennium Budget \$59,800</li> <li>Operations Expenses \$9737 to date \$8203 remaining based on 30% limit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project Proposals Funded</li> <li>Kleter - \$4000</li> <li>Groening - \$2000</li> <li>Letcher - \$5500</li> <li>Prohaska - \$1000</li> <li>Unsworth India - \$2000</li> <li>Total Expense - \$14,500</li> <li>\$27,360 Remaining if we use all operational funds</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project Proposals Received               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Friedrich - \$5750</li> <li>Karpouszas - \$5000</li> <li>Obare - \$8000</li> <li>Purchase - \$10000</li> <li>Unsworth Chile - \$2740</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>After approving proposals and including the EC Poster prize, the approximate balance of remaining funds is:</p> <p>\$59800 – Initial Balance            Commitments            \$14,500 – Earlier Projects Approved            \$9737 – San Francisco meeting            \$16740 – Newly approved projects            \$1000 – Poster prize            Remaining Funds  <b>\$17832</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposals Approved &amp; Amount               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Karpouszas - \$5000</li> <li>Obare - \$4000 (\$4000 to be provided next biennium)</li> <li>Purchase - \$5000 (\$5000 to be provided next biennium)</li> <li>Unsworth - \$2740</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other commitments            Environmental Chemistry Poster Award at WCC - \$1000            Action: Need to put together a short proposal for these funds.</li> </ul>

##### Presentations of project proposal

- HG: proposed that the meeting approve the funding #2014-032-1 (Karpouszas) - \$5000

The reviews from Division members as well as external reviews were provided and they were very positive 7/9 reviews rated it very suitable of these 2/2 external reviews rated it as very suitable.

**The proposed funding of \$5000 was voted on and agreed unanimously**

HG explained the status of the other projects

All have been through divisional review and comments were sent to the project leaders.

- i. Friedrich is yet to respond with a revised proposal. This proposal is tabled until a revision is received.
- ii. Unsworth responded but no external reviewers were provided.

**Action: JU and LM to provide external reviewers and LM to email Fabienne. Completed.**

JU presented his case for urgent funding to his project #2014-038-1 (Unsworth) as the time scale is very short.

**The proposed funding of \$2740 was voted on and agreed upon unanimously subject to external reviews.**

- iii. Purchase responded on Jan 5<sup>th</sup> and the revised proposal and a request for external reviews was sent with a deadline of 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan but no reviews came

**Action: HG to sought new external reviewers and email Fabienne. Completed.**

HG was invited to present the case for the project and explained the context and the objectives, as well as the link to a satellite meeting in 15th EuCheMS International Conference on Chemistry and the Environment, Leipzig, Germany.

- A discussion took place and it was suggested that there should be a vote in principle subject to the external reviews.
- LM suggested that the budget should be divided over two years so subject to external reviews \$5000 will be provided this biennium and the other \$5000 will be provided in the next biennium which will start in Jan 2016.
- A suggestion was made by GK to connect with Young Observers via social media as the topic was raised at the last WCC by YOs. The YOs have a LinkedIn group called "IUPAC Young Observers" and can be found via search of LinkedIn.

**Both motions were voted on and passed**

- iv. Obare responded on Jan 13<sup>th</sup> and the revised proposal and a request for external reviews was sent with a deadline of 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan but no reviews came

**Action: SO and LM to follow external reviewers**

SO was invited to present the case for the project and explained the context, objectives and proposed activities.

- A discussion took place and it was suggested that there should be a vote in principle subject to the external reviews.
- LM suggested that the budget should be divided over two years so subject to external reviews \$4000 will be provided this biennium and the

other \$4000 will be provided in the next biennium which will start in Jan 2016.

**Both motions were voted on and passed**

## 5. LM: Korea

- a. LM explained the schedule of events and in particular provided the schedule for the General Assembly. The division meeting will be on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015.
- b. LM presented the Division involvement in the World Chemistry Congress
  - i. Poster prize – *We will need volunteers for judges*
    - LM proposed members who volunteer should have some contribution towards their expenses
    - This was unanimously agreed in principle although the sums are yet to be determined.
    - Current Volunteers: PG, NK, GK
    - The Environmental Chemistry Poster prize is now high
  - ii. WCLM– volunteers may also be needed to work with Young Observers as part of the World Chemistry Leadership Meeting. We will know more by the next conference call.
  - iii. LM presented the involvement of the Division in the World Chemistry Leadership Meeting (WCLM) aimed at young observers. –  
**Action: There may be a need volunteers to work with YOs. This may need another conference call in approximately 3 months.**

## 6. 15th EuCheMS International Conference on Chemistry and the Environment

HR and PF presented the information on the EuChem conference in Leipzig and have proposed that the Division forge better collaboration with EUChem. We already have one satellite meeting there but would benefit from more. Currently attending HR, PF, PG and Diane Purchase

In particular HR suggested that the Division may support Young Scientists from Developing Countries to attend the Congress.

**Due to shortage of time it was agreed that this could be voted on electronically through email.**

***Submitted to the Division Committee by Hemda Garelick 09/02/2015***