Minutes of IUPAC Division I GoToMeeting call

May 12, 2020 (1300 h GMT), Tuesday

Attendees: Tim Wallington (TW, chair), Fabienne Meyers (FM), Angela Wilson (AW), Attila G. Császár (AGC), Ronald Weir (RW), Lynda Ngoz-Olehi (LNO), Frances Separovic (FS), Hiroko Tokoro (HT), Theo Christian Kurtén (TCK), Luis A. Montero-Cabrera (LMC), Modou (M), Mohamed Deyab (MD), Pierangelo Metrangolo (PM), Renata Orinakova (RO), Zhigang Shuai (ZS), Jeremy Frey (JF), Majdi Hochlaf (MH), and Ilja Voets (IV)

1. Welcome and apologies (Tim Wallington)

TW opens the meeting saying that this is already the second GoToMeeting of the biennium 2020/2021, the first was held at the end of January.

Agenda is approved.

2. Budget, projects, activity update (Tim Wallington)

TW: The 2020/2021 budget has been allocated, it is around 35,000 USD.

TW led the discussion about past-end-date projects. A document about the ongoing projects was circulated. There are 14 ongoing projects, no scientific projects have been started since 2018.

AW: There are seemingly no project proposals in the pipeline. Involve more people, advertise this opportunity. The brand name IUPAC is still very appealing.

PM: If there is progress on a project, do not push the TG chair too much, allow extra time to complete the project.

3. Matters arising from the 30 January, 2020 GoToMeeting (Tim Wallington)

JF: Discussion about the connection between the Green Book and the Gold Book. Fourth edition of the Green Book will come out this year, deadline for the 5th edition is December 2022.
RW: He is on the Gold Book committee, they are in phase 2.

Discussion about translation of the IUPAC color books. There is a German translation (Quack & Stohner) and an Italian one (Pavese), the Green Book is also available in Portuguese (in versions for colleagues in Brazil and Portugal). Not a core activity, no funding from IUPAC, useful for undergraduates.

FS, RW, PM: Discussion about the improvement of the Gold Book. Last discussion was in Paris last year during the GA. RM had a vision but no action was taken after there was no response to RM from PM and RW. The document prepared by RM will be sent around in Division I. MH volunteers to help if a subgroup is set up to pick up this project. ZS would also be happy to join this group and involve young Chinese chemists. LAM: how to put documents online. FM: approach Division IV colleagues to learn how they treat terms and definitions.

4. Approval of Minutes from the last GoToMeeting (circulated)
Approved.

5. Bureau meeting 25 April, 2020 (Tim Wallington)
TW: Update about the status of the Division is provided. TW will distribute to all Division I members the Report to the Bureau, a document detailing the financial situation of the Task Groups, as well as a summary of the budget after this call ended.

6. 2021 GA, Congress, symposia proposals (Pier Metrangolo)
PM: Asks FM about the general situation surrounding next year’s GA.
FM: The situation is not fully definitive. Call for propositions is over. There is still no decision about the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization. Online version of sessions is under planning. Hybrid solutions are considered.
GF: GA vs Congress. GA benefits from face-to-face meeting but hard to justify the cost of the Congress (difficult to run & possible travel restrictions).
7. **IUPAC organizational update (Fabienne Meyers)**
All important points have been discussed during this GoToMeeting call.

8. **Next meeting (Fabienne Meyers)**
Agreed to meet in about four months, Sept/Oct 2020.

9. **Any other business (Tim Wallington)**
PM: There is a PAC call for papers.
FM: Explained the details.
TW, AW: Ask previous TGs to contribute. Perhaps the division can fill half an issue with updates on successful past projects.
FS: Invite young people (e.g., Young Observers) to contribute.