

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PURE AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY
MINUTES OF THE 59th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
held on the premises of The Hotel International, Prague,
on
Saturday - 2nd September, 1967

PRESENT:

Prof. V.N. Kondratiev, President
Dr. A.L.G. Rees, Vice-President
Prof. W. Klemm, Past-President
Dr. R. Morf, Secretary General
Prof. J.C. Bailar, Treasurer
Prof. J. Lecomte
Prof. H.W. Thompson
Prof. O. Wichterle

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AGENDA

1. Budget
2. Appointment of an Executive Secretary
3. Company Associates
4. Clinical Chemistry
5. Co-operation with the European Common Market (CEE)
6. Vote of thanks
7. Next Meeting

Minute 364

BUDGET

The draft budget estimates which had been given at the beginning of the Conference were adjusted according to the programme decided during the Conference by Council and the Divisions. The following items were decided:

Symposium 1968 on Natural Products in Mexico "provided that sufficient guarantee be received at the office of the Secretary General; deadline 2nd February, 1968 when a meeting of the Finance Committee will be held in Zürich."	\$ 4,000
Symposium 1968 Analytical Division, Poland	\$ 2,000
Division on Macromolecules (the meeting of this Division in 1967 is included in the account for 1967)	\$ 8,000
Section on Clinical Chemistry	\$ 5,500
Increase in the allotment to Teaching of Chemistry Commission	\$ 5,500

It was

Resolved: that the Treasurer compile a detailed budget on the basis of the new membership and the now known place of the next conference and distribute this revised budget by 1st December. This budget will include a revised item for expenditure on the Secretariat.

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APPOINTMENT OF AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The desirability of appointing an Executive Secretary full-time was resolved as early as at the Conference in 1955 and has been the subject of much discussion since. Lord Todd, who had been specifically invited by the President to attend and to introduce the subject

urged the Executive Committee to take immediate action. The urgency is dictated by the fact that although there is full confidence in Dr. Morf's work and efficiency, the present situation could lead to a deterioration of the effective execution of the Union's work. During the last 15 months, as the Secretary General has not had the appropriate staff and clerical help, he has frequently had to write correspondence in long-hand in order to meet requirements of great urgency. This procedure, dictated by the special circumstances, is no longer tolerable. IUPAC must also be aware that a necessary increase in the size and the activity of the Secretariat cannot be carried by the Basle Companies, but that it must move towards accepting the full financial support of the Secretariat. A detailed discussion was held and it was

Resolved: that the committee appointed at the 58th meeting be reappointed and empowered to take the necessary steps to appoint immediately the necessary staff and make proposals to the Executive Committee on the possible location of the Secretariat.

Minute 366

COMPANY ASSOCIATES

Now that applications from some sixty Company Associates have been received it is necessary to frame a precise procedure. After discussion it was

Resolved: (a) that the minimum annual unit subscription be \$ 250 on payment of which a Company Associate shall receive the following privileges:

1. One or more copies of such IUPAC publications as the Journal "Pure and Applied Chemistry", Comptes Rendus and Information Bulletin and of other publications as approved by the Executive Committee, the total number of each publication not to exceed the number of units for which the Company Associate has subscribed.

That Company Associates who are qualified to receive more than one copy of these publications should be asked how many copies they wish to receive.

2. Advance notice of IUPAC-sponsored meetings.
 3. The right to designate a delegate to attend IUPAC Congresses at a reduced registration fee (for the present the maximum remission has been set at \$ 10).
 4. The right to use any travel facilities which may be arranged for IUPAC meetings.
- (b) That Company Associates be asked to designate their official delegates to a particular meeting and to so notify its organizers.
- (c) That the organizers of IUPAC Congresses and Symposia be requested to send advance information on the Scientific Programme and abstracts of papers to the Secretary General so that he can inform Company Associates about the possible topics of IUPAC Scientific Meetings well in advance.
- (d) That the organizers of Congresses be informed that IUPAC will reimburse them to the extent of \$ 10 (or less if the registration fee is less than \$ 10), for each delegate that attends the meeting.

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CLINICAL CHEMISTRY

A letter dated 5th August, 1967, from Dr. Sanz to the Secretary General was in the file of the Executive Committee advising that the Congress on Clinical Chemistry is to be organized by the Société Suisse de Chimie Clinique jointly with the French and will be held in Geneva in 1969. It was

Resolved: that IUPAC sponsorship be offered provided that the question of publication of the general lectures be cleared by the Editorial Board.

Minute 368

CO-OPERATION WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET (CEE)

Based on the Minutes of the meeting held on the 26th July, the Secretary General informed the Committee about the precarious staff situation in the Secretariat. In the best spirit and with the intention to help the Secretary General advice and addresses of

possible experts were given. Such possible candidates wanted to be fully informed about details of the work and promised a quick reply. In spite of great effort it had been impossible to recruit suitable personnel to re-draft the material on analytical methods for criteria of purity in food additives in a formal language and style consistent with the prestige of IUPAC. It was hoped that during the meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee, to be held on Sunday, 3rd September in Prague, advice could be given and a realistic working programme set up.

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VOTE OF THANKS

Votes of thanks be extended by the Secretary General to the Czechoslovakian Academy of Sciences by letter.

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the last week of February 1968. An invitation was extended by Prof. Thompson to meet in the new premises of the Royal Society in London. The invitation was accepted provisionally.

The meeting closed at 19.00.

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