

International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry

106th MEETING OF BUREAU

Virtual, 1 Sep 2021

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A post 51st Council Bureau meeting was convened to which all current and incoming Bureau members were invited:

Christopher Brett (President), Javier Garcia-Martinez, Richard Hartshorn, Qi-Feng Zhou, Colin Humphris, Ehud Keinan, Wolfram Koch
Christopher Ober, Russell Boyd, Mei-Hung Chiu
Bipul Behari Saha, Ghada Bassioni, Gloria Obuzor, Ken Sakai, Petr S. Fedotov, Mary Garson, Laura McConnell, Zhigang Shuai
Tim Wallington, Pierangelo Metrangolo
Lars Öhrström, Lidia Armelao
Nikolay E. Nifantiev, Amelia Rauter
Christine K. Luscombe
Zoltán Mester, David Shaw
Hemda Garelick, Roberto Terzano
Rita Cornelis, Helle Møller Johannessen
Alan Hutton, Michelle Rogers
Leah R. McEwen
Pietro Tundo, Buxing Han
Jan Apotheker, Marietjie Potgieter
Anna S. Makarova
Francesca Kerton
Jurgen Stohner
Jan Reedijk
Lynn Soby (Executive Director), Fabienne Meyers (Observer)

Short agenda:

- Election of Executive Committee members 2022-25
- Analysis of and feedback from the Virtual GA
- Next steps in the organizational structure changes to governance following feedback from NAO engagement sessions
- Any other business

1. ELECTION OF BUREAU REPRESENTATIVES TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Prof. Hartshorn explained that in addition to the five officers (President, Vice President, Past President, Treasurer, and Secretary General), the Executive Committee (EC) includes three elected members (EM) of Bureau. With Chris Ober and Russell Boyd retiring, two positions shall be filled.

Mei-Hung Chiu (China/Taipei) was first elected in 2015 and will continue her second term until 2023 (2016-2019, 2020-2023).

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Following the President's invitation, self-nominations from seven Elected Members of Bureau willing to serve on the Executive Committee have been received.

The following nominations were announced:

- Ghada Bassioni (Egypt)
- Hemda Garelick (UK)
- Laura McConnell (USA)
- Zoltan Mester (Canada)
- Bipul Saha (India)
- Ken Sakai (Japan)
- Zhigang Shuai (China/Beijing)

The Bureau was asked to vote for 2, with election requiring a majority of votes cast. Laura McConnell and Zhigang Shuai were elected.

2. ANALYSIS OF AND FEEDBACK FROM THE VIRTUAL GA

Positive feedback was received about how the virtual GA allowed for a widespread audience to take part in committee meetings which in normal circumstances will have been attended by fewer participants.

A continued reflection is needed to decide clearly what the next GA should be in terms of format and if, in 2023, the schedule as previously followed in GAs such as in 2019 shall be repeated or adapted with features experienced this year.

3. NEXT STEPS IN THE PROPOSED ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE CHANGES

Following the engagement sessions organized with the NAOs in August, and approval by Council to proceed, the Officers are going to revise the Statutes, Bylaws and Standing Orders, and this draft will be circulated to the EC first, and later to the Bureau.

An extraordinary meeting of the Bureau, with current and incoming Bureau members present, will be organized this year and at which current Bureau members will vote on the proposed revisions to the Statutes, Bylaws and Standing Orders. If the proposal is approved and recommended by Bureau, this will trigger an invitation to NAOs for a Special Meeting of Council a minimum of 6 months after the proposal for revision is received by the Secretary General, at which Council will be invited to vote on the revision of the Statutes, Bylaws and Standing Orders.

Date suggested: 20 November 2021.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.