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Tenth Endodontic World Congress, 2016, Cape Town, South Africa

Minutes of IFEA Annual General Assembly Meeting

12.00h April 20th (Friday), 2012
Tremont Room, Marriott Copley Place, Boston, USA

Meeting was called to order by President Joseph Maggio at 12:15 pm with 26 people in attendance, representing 15 member associations.

The delegates were recognized. Regrets received from Hideaki Suda (Asia Regent, 9th WEC 2013 Committee), Miguel Miñana Gómez (Europe Regent), Alan Nerwich (Oceania Regent) and Heath Mark (10th WEC 2016 Committee).

Minutes of the AGM held on September 16th, 2011 in Rome, Italy were **approved** as circulated through the web site 90 days prior to the current meeting (Canada, USA).

The **report of President** Joseph Maggio reflecting the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 1) and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted the increased number of member societies of IFEA to 31, the very successful 8th WEC in Greece with representatives from 61 countries and profit to support continuous awarding of funds to support research and education, and a change of AGM during non-Congress years from in conjunction with only the AAE to the Rome ESE meeting in 2010. He thanked the ESE and Italian Society of Endodontics for all their help and support. Finally the redesigned web site and its archiving function for old reports is the next project. He thanked Tony Hoskinson, Patrick Bogaerts, Mark Wotzke and Luke Sung Kyo Kim, the Executive Committee members for their cooperation.

The report of President Elect Patrick Bogaerts reflecting on the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 2) and **accepted** unanimously. He highlighted the gathering information from Australia, Belgium, New Zealand and USA on the requirements to receive Continuing Professional Development (CPD) or Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) credits.

The report of the Secretary Luke Sung Kyo Kim reflecting on the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 3) and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted works during his term as the Secretary: the Minutes of the AGM held on September 16th, 2011 in Rome, Italy were prepared and circulated. The Secretary contacted non-member country endodontic association representatives from Portugal and Iraq who showed interest in the membership of IFEA. The Secretary invited them to our organization and the Portuguese Society of Endodontology had already submitted its application. The

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Secretary also interacted with the Country Contacts and IFEA Regents and continued to update the contact information.

The Secretary announced the calling for the nomination of the Officers and Regents and contacted the Organizing Committee of the American Association of Endodontists and their Convention Services for this AGM and announced the AGM to the member societies three times. Several requests were received from the 9th WEC Committee regarding updated contacts of member societies and places for the circular invitation letter, and from the 10th WEC Committee regarding Congress guidelines. Finally the Secretary stated that he has happily enjoyed this executive position with other Officers.

The report of the Treasurer Mark Wotzke reflected on the financial status of IFEA (Appendix 4, 4 – 1) was read and was **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted that IFEA had 4 bank accounts, the income for this year to the end of March had been significantly bolstered by the marvelous profit from the 8th World Endodontic Congress in Athens in September 2010, that overpayment from the Congress organisers, ERA, was returned in January 2012, that the number of paid member societies was 26 out of 31, that IFEA has \$164,608.88 on deposit as of March 31, 2013, that the primary **expense** for 2011 was the first 50% installment (US\$10,000) for the **Education Grant** to The University of Texas, Houston School of Dentistry for Dr Mbachan Collins Okwen of Nigeria, with a pledge for another US\$10,000. He finally thanked other Officers, Drs Joe Maggio, Patrick Bogaerts, Luke Sung Kyo Kim and Tony Hoskinson for their guidance and support.

The President announced that Regent reports will be posted at the web site and they were **accepted** unanimously.

Report of Education Committee (Chairman: Sam Dorn) reflecting on the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 5) and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted the endodontic education situation in Nigeria (Appendix 5-1) and a proposal for an additional \$2,000 of Education Grant to support the air fare and hotel for Dr. Mbachan Okwen from the University of Benin, Nigeria. The Chairman encouraged needy countries to apply for the purpose of training an educator to start a department of endodontics, and asked current members to give this information to any dental school in the world to apply for the grant.

Report of Research Committee (Chairman: Markus Haapasalo) reflecting on the activities of his office during the past year was read by the IFEA President (Appendix 6, 6 – 1) and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted the recommendation of the recipients for 2010/2011 and 2011/2012, list of members of the Research Committee, and suggestions for future: advertising the IFEA 2012/2013 Grant and adding “Annual IFEA Research Grant” at the IFEA web site. The Report presented the IFEA grants reviewer ranking and reviews for years 2010/2011 and 2011/2012. The BOD approved these two research grants.

The report of the 9th World Congress Committee (Chairman: Prof Hideaki Suda) reflecting on the activities during the past year was read (Appendix 7) by Dr. Kawashima, a member of the Committee, and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted that all is progressing well for the 9th Congress to be hosted by the Japanese Endodontic Society in Tokyo, May 23 ~ 26, 2013. He stated that the Pre-Congress program is on May 23 and the main program is on May 24 to 26, that the web site is open and registration has started already, that call for abstracts will start soon, and that main speakers and plenary sessions are prepared, and that Drs. Ken Hargreaves, Paul Abbott, Simon Friedman, Neil and Lee SJ will be the main speakers. Finally, he asked that this information be circularised to the

regional journals.

The report of 10th World Congress Committee reflecting on the activities during the past year was read (Appendix 8) by the IFEA Secretary and **accepted** unanimously. The Secretary Luke Sung Kyo Kim stated that a presentation of power point format was received from the Committee and the Secretary converted it to a word format. He stated that the 10th World Congress will be held at CTCIC, Cape Town, South Africa on October 11th to 13th, 2016 (Appendix 8-

1). He stated the pre-congress program of October 10th, Congress highlights, Congress marketing, social events, accommodation, activities to date, and further works for the Congress.

The IFEA web site was renovated and is going to keep archives with all minutes, reports and history, and to link to the web site of the member societies, and to show the calendar of future meetings so as not to conflict with other meetings.

There are now 5 societies out of 31 member **societies that have not paid their dues** to this time, being the associations from Argentina, Brazil, India, Iran and Israel.

The Executive Committee of IFEA had a **joint meeting with the Executive Committee of the AAE**. IFEA Officers explained IFEA business and requested AAE assistance with obtaining CERP recognition to be able to provide CE credit to American dentists attending the IFEA congress, and suggested to provide AAE with a link to the registration site for the 9th World Congress, to be posted on aae.org. It is hoped that sharing web links could enhance coordination efforts between organizations in meeting planning.

For **CERP/CPD requirement** from member countries: USA, Australia and Belgium are candidates for their approval of the requirement.

The Bureau of Speakers was not used at all during the past 8 years and there was no request. Therefore it was **approved** it be discontinued.

The Education grant of \$2,000 was requested to support the air fare and hotel for Dr. Mbachan Okwen from the University of Benin, Nigeria. It was tabled for more information and for the applicant to also consider seeking other possible sources of funding. There was no vote taken.

The **credentials for membership** of the Portuguese Society of Endodontology were presented to the Assembly (USA: Italy) and unanimously **accepted** and **approved** for provisional membership until payment of the membership dues.

IFEA provisionally accepts new members with less than 100 dues paying members at the moment and the By-Laws can be **amended** at the next AGM to remove the number of members required for a society to join IFEA. The amendment of IFEA By-Law needs to be preannounced before the next AGM, and it was **accepted** unanimously. The required number of member will be at the discretion of the executive committee and regents.

A suggestion to remove the IFEA's requirement to **translate into English the entire constitution** of the country association applying for membership, and only the section that deals with who is eligible for membership in the applicant's constitution requires translation, was unanimously **accepted**.

Most members are paying the membership with credit card and some with bank transfer or check. **Electronic transfer charges** more fee than credit card. It was announced to the member societies that the members' bank costs for their electronic transaction must be paid by the member and not by IFEA, and Membership due for 2013 is \$360, the same as for 2012.

A **nomination slate for new Officers** was presented to the Assembly with Sam Dorn as the Pres. Elect (France, USA). As no other nominations were submitted in accordance with the ByLaws the slate was accepted and approved. The Officers for 2012/13 are: Past Pres. - Joe Maggio, President - Patrick Bogaerts, Pres. Elect –Sam Dorn, Secretary – Luke Sung Kyo Kim, Treasurer - Mark Wotzke.

A **nomination slate for new Regents** was presented to the Assembly with Manoel Edvardo (Merchado) as the Regent for S. America (USA, France). As no other nominations were submitted, in accordance with the ByLaws the slate was accepted and approved. The Regents for 2012/13 are: Asia - Hideaki Suda, Europe - Miguel Minana, N. America – Barry Chapnick, Oceania - Alan Nerwich, S. America Manoel Edvardo (Merchado), Africa – to be recommended. Committee Chairs are, Education - Sam Dorn, Research - Markus Haapasalo.

President Bogaerts gave a gift of a crystal ice bucket with the IFEA mark engraved to Immediate Past President Maggio for his contributions to IFEA as the President.

The date of the next AGM of IFEA was scheduled at the 9th WEC for May 23 – 25, 2013 in Tokyo, Japan.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:56h

Respectfully submitted by

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