Minutes of the IFEA Annual General Assembly Meeting
Sunday, May 26th, 2013, 10.50h
Hall B-5 (1), Tokyo International Forum, Tokyo, Japan

Meeting was called to order by President Patrick Bogaerts at 11:04 am with 53 people in attendance, representing 23 member associations.

The delegates were recognized. Regrets received from Joe Maggio (Imm Past President), Miguel Miñana Gómez (Europe Regent), Barry Chapnick (N. America Regent), Markus Haapasalo (Research Comm), Machado (S. America).

Minutes of the AGM held on April 20th, 2012 in Boston, USA were approved as circulated through the web site 90 days prior to the current meeting (Canada, USA).

The report of President Patrick Bogaerts reflecting the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 1) and accepted unanimously. The report highlighted the very successful Congress in Athens in 2010 and the outstanding Congress of this year’s Tokyo meeting. The President advised of the growing of IFEA with an increased number of member societies from 33 to 35 with incoming Iraq and Colombia this year, IFEA’s profit for Education and Research Grants, bidding of India, Thailand and Turkey for the venue of 11th WEC of 2019, and acknowledged Immediate Past President Joe Maggio, Treasurer Mark Wotzke, Secretary Luke Sung Kyo Kim, and President-Elect Sam Dorn, the Executive Committee members for their cooperation.

The report of President-Elect Sam Dorn reflecting on the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 2) and accepted unanimously. The report highlighted the President-Elect’s offering suggestions to email discussions, having offered to take the responsibility of the banking in the USA, offering to provide CERP credit for the WECs, and monitoring the Officers’ operations.

The report of the Secretary Luke Sung Kyo Kim reflected on the activities of his office during the past year was read (Appendix 3) and it was accepted unanimously. The report highlighted works during his term as the Secretary: the Minutes of the AGM held on April 20th, 2012 in Boston, USA were prepared and circulated, contacted non-member country endodontic association representatives from Iraq, Colombia, Indonesia, Egypt, Philippines and Hong Kong who showed interest in the membership of IFEA, and invited them to our organization. The Endodontic Society of the Philippines rejoined our organization and the Iraqi Endodontic Club and the Colombian Endodontic Society had already submitted their application. The Secretary also interacted with the Country Contacts and IFEA Regents and continued to update the contact information.
contacted the Organizing Committee of the 9th WEC in Tokyo and the Japan Convention Services for this AGM and announced the AGM to the member societies three times. For the bid to host the 11th WEC, India, Thailand and Turkey societies requested its guidelines and submitted their applications. Finally the Secretary stated that he has happily enjoyed this executive position with other Officers, President Patrick Bogaerts, President-Elect Sam Dorn, Treasurer Mark Wotzke, and Immediate Past President Joe Maggio.

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 showed Statement of Accounts of the past 2 calendar Years, highlighted that IFEA had 4 bank accounts, that overpayment by the 9th WEC organisers was returned. The Treasurer encouraged all Member Associations to keep the Secretary and the Treasurer regularly updated with the change of office bearers in their associations and pass the invoices onto the new office bearers to avoid overdue payment. There was 1 society out of 33 member societies that had not paid their Dues, being the association from Guatemala.

2012 expenses were the IFEA Education Grant to Dr M. Collins Okwen from Nigeria and the Laurichesse Research Award to the recipients, Dr A Shrestha (Canada) and Dr R Haddad in (Australia). IFEA has $157,292.50 total in account balance as of May 11th, 2013, The Treasurer congratulated Prof. Hideaki Suda and his Congress organising committee on the well organised and most successful 9th Endodontic World Congress in Tokyo, and finally thanked other Officers, Drs Patrick Bogaerts, Luke Sung Kyo Kim and Joe Maggio for their continued support and camaraderie.

The report of Asia Regent (Regent: Hideaki Suda) described activities of the member countries in his Region and was presented (Appendix 5) and accepted (Korea; Australia). Activities of the member countries in the region were reported, highlighting the 9th World Endodontic Congress being held in Tokyo on 23rd–26th May 2013, and the 17th Scientific Meeting of APEC (Asian Pacific Endodontic Confederation) which took place in Seoul on 23rd–24th March 2013. Efforts were made to increase IFEA members including the HKES (Hong Kong) and ESP (Philippines) which resigned from IFEA membership in 2009. ESP is supposed to rejoin IFEA in May 2013. As of April 2012, there are four IFEA member societies/associations in the Asian Regency from four countries; India, Japan, Korea and Thailand.

The report of Oceania Regent (Regent: Alan Nerwich) described activities of the member countries in his Region and was presented (Appendix 6) and accepted (Japan; Australia). Activities of the member countries in the region, the Australian Society of Endodontology and the New Zealand Society of Endodontics were reported highlighting the 3rd Trans-Tasman Endodontic Conference on the Gold Coast, Qld, Australia in June 2012.

The report of Europe Regent (Regent: Miguel Minana) was presented (Appendix 7) by the Secretary (Appendix 6) and accepted (France; UK). The report highlighted the next meeting of the European Society of Endodontology (ESE) which will take place in Lisbon on 12–14 of September 2013,

The report of North America Regent (Regent: Barry Chapnick) was not submitted, but the Secretary mentioned that the report of AAE(Appendix 8) was submitted

The report of the Education Committee (Chairman: Sam Dorn) was reported by the Chairman and accepted (Korea; India) (Appendix 9). The report highlighted the progress of endodontic department of University of Benin, Nigeria which was initiated by Dr. Collins
Okwen who was supported by the IFEA education grant. (Appendix 9−1). A proposal was submitted by Prof. Paul Abbot, in which he requested money from the Education Grant for the Dental Faculty of the Cambodia International University in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, in order to set up endodontic education.

**Research Committee** Chair (Markus Haapasalo) was not present but the report of the Research Committee was read by the IFEA Secretary (Appendix 10) and **accepted** (Australia; Japan). The report highlighted the recommendation of Dr. Xenos Petridis as the recipient for the 2012/2013 award and this recommendation was **accepted unanimously**. There was a suggestion to increase the award sum and number of recipients.

The report of the 9th World Congress Committee Chairman (Hideaki Suda) reflected on the activities during the past year, and was reported (Appendix 11), and **accepted** unanimously. The report highlighted that all is progressing well for the 9th Congress and the registration number is over 1,500 from 49 countries.

The report of the 10th World Congress Committee Chairman (Dr. Peet van der Vyver) announced the date of the Congress as 3rd to 6th June, 2016 and the venue as Cape Town International Conference Center. The report (Appendix 12) was **accepted** unanimously. The Chairman requested help in collecting information on speakers and supporting companies.

**Research grant**
Two motions were proposed:
1) That IFEA increases the Research Grant to US$6,000 maximum for either one recipient or distribution between two recipients, Motion was **approved**. (Italy; Japan).
2) Moved that IFEA requires the Research Committee to forward the research proposal(s) from the Research Committee recipient(s) to the Executive Committee to be voted on by the Board of Directors. Motion was **voted down** (Australia, India).

**Education grant**
A motion was proposed: That IFEA supports US$4,000 for endodontic education in Cambodia. Motion was **approved** unanimously.

**Membership: Amendment of the IFEA By−Law** (Article IV (Membership), 1. Eligibility, iii) was proposed to remove the number of members required for a society to join IFEA and was preannounced before this AGM. The proposed amendment was: iii) **In order to be eligible for membership in the Federation, endodontic societies/associations must have enough dues−paying members consisting of endodontic specialists or dentists with a strong interest in endodontics to responsibly and legitimately represent Endodontics in that country. The number of members required for country membership will be at the discretion of the officers and Board of Directors and can be revisited if situations within a country change.**

Vote for the amendment of the By−Laws was conducted and amendment **was passed after modification** as follows: iii) **In order to be eligible for membership in the Federation, endodontic societies/associations must responsibly and legitimately represent Endodontics in that country. The number of members required for country membership will be at the discretion of the officers and Board of Directors and can be revisited if situations within a country change** (Appendix 13).
Membership Due for 2014 is $360, the same as for 2013.

The credentials for membership of the Iraqi Endodontic Club and the Colombian Endodontic Society were presented to the Assembly (USA: Italy) and unanimously accepted and approved for provisional membership until payment of the membership dues.

For the next (11th) WEC venue, three country societies submitted applications to hold the 11th World Endodontic Congress in 2019, Dr. Gopi Krishna from India, Dr. Kwanta Jaru-ampornpan from Thailand, and Dr. Hakki Sunay from Turkey presented official presentations on behalf of their endodontic organizations. They discussed venues, transportations, tour and cultures etc. The choice was determined by a closed vote of the member country societies. India was chosen for the 11th WEC in 2019 and approved.

The date and place of the next Annual General Assembly Meeting of IFEA were scheduled to be held in conjunction with 2014 Annual Scientific Meeting of AAE, April 30 ~ May 3, 2014, Washington DC, USA.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:58h.

Respectfully submitted by

Luke Sung Kyo Kim, Secretary