

## **International Federation of Endodontic Associations**

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Eighth Endodontic World Congress, October 6-9, 2010, Athens, Greece Ninth Endodontic World Congress, 2013, Tokyo, Japan

## IFEA General Assembly, Friday April 11, 2008

## Gazebo Room, Pan Pacific Hotel, Vancouver, Canada

Meeting called to order by President Hoskinson at 10:15 am. After some delay a quorum was present. Minutes of 2007 General Assembly Meeting accepted without change or alteration.

President reported that proposals were being formulated to revise the By-Laws (see below) He also reported that meeting held with the proposed IAE group on April 10 made some modest progress in addressing disagreements between the groups. Prior to adjournment it was agreed that the ESE representative, Gunnar Bergenholtz, would make a proposal to the ESE to invite all ESE countries to join IFEA to have voting privileges and that ESE collectively could have representation at IFEA Board of Directors meetings as an observer without voting privileges. Dr. Bergenholtz would also propose for approval a joint IFEA/ESE undertaking sponsored by ESE to identify research priorities in Endodontics.

President-elect Maggio reported on progress being made in the Web Site update and plans to create hyperlink to web pages of component organizations to facilitate future changes in their executive boards.

Secretary Torneck reported on progress made to update information on organization contacts and on plans to issue invitations to membership to several countries that are not yet IFEA members.

Treasurer Bogaerts reported balance of treasury as of January 31, 2008 as \$139,890.62 with pending expenses of \$17701.03. The 2009 dues to be increased to \$350.00 to address increase in cost of conducting IFEA business.

Regent reports received from Oceana (Wotzke- new regent welcomed by President on behalf of Board of Directors); North America (Dorn) and Europe (Ricci). Apologies had been received from Asia (Vizcarra) and Africa (Sidley)

Request received for Education Grant of \$8,000.00 to support 1 year endodontic training of a fulltime endodontic educator, Dr. Arpana Devi from Fiji. Approved. Dr Devi to be trained at the University of Western Australia and to return to Fiji to teach endodontics to undergraduate dental students.

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Research Chairman Ilan. Rotstein reported Dr. Amir Azarpazhooh of University of Toronto was recipient of \$4,000.00 Research Award.

Report from Terry Farmakis, representative appointed by Chair Panopoulos, on progress made in development of 8<sup>th</sup> World Endodontic Congress in Athens in 2010.

President Hoskinson reported on correspondence received from Professor Suda that date of the World Endodontic Congress to be held in Tokyo was May 2013. This date was in conflict with scheduled date of AAE meeting to be held in Hawaii that year. A request will be made to the JEA to make sure that they were aware of the date of the AAE Annual Meeting and to consider moving our Congress to late summer.

As part of re-organization discussed at BOD meeting, a proposal will be made to alter Bylaws and Constitution to appoint Treasurer as a voting member of the Board of Directors and to investigate possibility of establishing a world bank as official bank of IFEA to facilitate dues payments and reduce currency transfer costs..

Proposed that the term of office for Board of Directors be changed to 2 years (currently 3). Proposed that time of notification for changes to Constitution and By-Laws be changed to 60 days (currently120 days) if the proposal comes from a member organization. Proposed that Regents appointed by member organizations within the 6 geographical regions be re-elected every 2 years (currently 3 years) for a maximum of 3 terms of office..

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Next Annual General Meeting scheduled for Orlando, Florida, April 29 - May 2, 2009 in concert with the AAE Annual Session. Date and time to be advised.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.