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The President opened the meeting and extended congratulations and thanks on behalf of the EC to Cigdem and Orguz KagitÁibasi for hosting the meeting and for extending extraordinary hospitality. He then recognized the achievements of EC members during the past year. They

included:

- * Nair received a citation from the Singapore Psychological Society; and the EC extended appreciation for her role in organizing the 2002 IAAP meeting in Singapore
- * Ardila was elected President of the Colombia Psychological Association
- * Kagitcibasi was elected to the ISSC Executive Board
- * Silbereisen assumed the Presidency of ISSBD; was elected to the Board of EFPA; assumed editorship of the European Psychologist
- * Ritchie received an award by the Canadian Psychological Association for Outstanding Contribution to the Development of International Psychology; was elected to the Committee on Policy & Scientific Research in the International Council for Science (ICSU)
- * Overmier was elected President of APA Division 1, General Psychology; was reelected to the APA Board of Directors
- * Cooper was appointed Principal and Vice President of the University of Durban Westville ; was awarded a prize from Rotary International for his accomplishments
- * Adair was awarded a prize from SIP; presented a Lecture following the InterAmerican Prize of Psychology
- * Bullock was appointed co-editor of the Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology; was re-appointed to the Board on International Science Organizations at the US National Academy of Sciences

Ritchie added that Denis was elected to the ICSU Executive Board, a longstanding goal of the Union.

The President extended thanks to institutions for support to travel to the EC meeting, including for Bullock (APA); Imada (Japanese Psychological Association); Ritchie (University of Ottawa); Poortinga (Tilburg University); Silbereisen (German Research Foundation - DFG).

1. Adoption of the Agenda and review of item codes

The order of agenda items to be discussed was noted. It was proposed that item 23.2.3 be recoded from Information to Action to address endorsement of a declaration from ISSC. It was proposed to add an item (8.8.2) on a proposal for book on Arab psychology.

The Agenda was adopted as modified

2. Minutes

The 2002 EC minutes were adopted by email vote and posted on the web. Corrections were noted: support to Imada was from the Japanese Psychological Association, not Japanese Science Council.

The draft 2002 Assembly Minutes were posted on the web.

The EC approved sending the 2002 Assembly Minutes to the National Members

3. Report of the President

The President began by noting that this EC meeting is special because this EC must complete its tasks by its final meeting in 2004. Part of the present meeting will be devoted to reviewing the work of the six Work Groups established in 2002 and the work of the Standing Committees, and to decide how to proceed over the next year. He noted achievements in relations with the global organizations to which IUPsyS adheres (ISSC, ICSU) that are due to longstanding efforts in the EC, especially efforts initiated by Pawlik and d'Ydewalle. These achievements -- IUPsyS representation in governance, are important for psychology, and important through facilitating interaction and partnerships with other sciences. He also noted continued partnerships and a growing spirit of true collaboration with other organizations including WHO, UNESCO, and IAAP. The President reiterated that after this year new people will be in charge of the Union; additional discussion will focus on changes to the Statutes and plans for the upcoming International Congress and regional conferences.

4. Report of the Secretary-General

Ritchie briefly noted that the work of the Secretariat is interwoven with agenda items and will be discussed there. He added that the extraordinarily large workload has not changed.

5. Report of the Treasurer

5.1 2002 Audited Financial Statements

The Treasurer reviewed the cash situation and presented the financial statements to the EC. It was noted that the proportion of activity costs and governance costs was about 33/67 percent of the total budget. There was a general agreement on a need to change this percentage. It was noted that although any international organization with members from around the globe will incur high costs, especially in travel and accommodation, it was important to keep overhead costs low and to support a public perception that the executive committee uses its funds wisely.

The Treasurer urged the Union to strive for structure and activities that will allow it to gain more financial support from outside organizations. There was discussion of grant monies allocations and the need for simple explanation and transparency.

The EC accepted the 2002 financial statements

5.2 2003 Budget

The Treasurer reviewed the 2003 budget.

Allocations, determined in consultation with the Finance Committee were:

Budget 2003 Research & Projects (n.b. These allocations are based on receipt of expected 10,000 USD grant funds from ISSC)

Dubai conference	5000
Health Policy Development - ISSC	8000
Third World Network	500
Healthnet	500
Website	1000
TOTAL	15,000

5.2.1 Year-to-Date Financial Statements (6 months)

The Treasurer reviewed the 6-month financial statement with the EC

The EC accepted the Year-to-Date 2003 financial statement

There was discussion about the length of tenure of the accountants. It was agreed to reappoint the present accountants for the next year and to consider new accountant bid tenders for the new quadrennial.

The EC moved to appoint Mizgala and Cie as auditors for 2003.

5.3 Preliminary 2004 Budget

The Treasurer reviewed the preliminary budget.

There was discussion on grant overhead costs and procedures and a request for a clear policy on grant overhead procedures. A second concern was to develop incentives for National Members to pay dues, such as restricting capacity building activities to National Members in good standing.

5.4 Revision of Dues

The Treasurer reviewed a draft proposal for dues revision.

There was a suggestion that National Member dues at least cover the costs of services provided (e.g., journal, communications, ARTS). There was discussion about mechanisms for assessing appropriate dues, including reviewing the membership structure and criteria for setting dues levels, such as country GNP, or psychology representation.

There was discussion of the Observer Category (Category O). There were various proposals for alleviating Category O issues, including allocating a proportion of dues revenue to a reserve against unforeseen economic hardship for countries; and asking each Board member to take personal responsibility for contacting and facilitating dues payment for Category O countries. There was discussion of criteria for raising current National Member dues, including inflation

rate.

The EC voted to send a proposal to the 2004 Assembly to raise the dues unit by \$30.00 starting in 2005.

5.5 Financial planning

5.5.1 WG on New Funding (Members: Sabourin (Chair), Silbereisen, Overmier)

Sabourin reviewed the Work Group written report, and summarized key areas for increasing revenue. The goal is to generate additional funds to allow more varied and further flexibility for Union activities. In discussion of the goals, it was suggested that another goal is to reduce dues for membership.

Among the several activities suggested in the report (increased publication portfolio; individual and/or corporate memberships; dues from affiliate organizations, for-fee workshops; adopting an accreditation function; serving as a for-fee consultant body; soliciting donations), there was support only for the publications portfolio and for exploring donations. Publications discussed as consonant with the goals of the Union might include supplements to text books; handbooks; manuals; ethical standards; regulatory information; classics in psychology on the internet; There was a suggestion to the funding sources group to focus on an analysis of National Member needs and to list possible services and activities in the interests of the Union's mission as a way of organizing a slate of possible activities.

The group was charged with investigating procedures for donations in countries where this might be advantageous to donors - including costs for setting up such a fund and the legal and accountability requirements. It was suggested to use three affluent countries (USA, Germany and Canada) as models. There was an additional suggestion to develop mechanisms to solicit individual donations for specific programs.

There was also discussion of EC meeting costs. It was decided that costs for EC members would be covered, and a decision to clearly separate costs accruing to accompanying persons.

The EC passed a motion that all activities held during the meetings will be covered for the EC members, and that all additional accompanying persons expenses will be charged in full.

6. Membership Issues

6.1 Recruitment

6.1.1 India

Adair reported that there is still a plan to form a federation organization but that procedures to change membership are proceeding very slowly. It was agreed that Adair will write to Janak Pandey imposing a procedure for forming a federation and remaining as the Union National Member for India. There will be a deadline in November. If India does not meet this deadline in writing the EC will pursue other options. The goal is to have an Indian representative on board by the 2004 Assembly meeting.

6.1.2 Brazil

Psychology in Brazil is very fractionated. There was discussion of recent attempts to contact the Brazilian psychological science community including through ICSU and ISSC.

6.1.3 United Arab Emirates

Ritchie introduced the application for membership and presented the constitution to the EC.

The EC passed a motion to recommend to the Assembly to admit the UAE as a national member of the Union.

6.1.4 Latvia

Attempts to contact Latvia were reviewed.

6.1.5 Ethiopia

Attempts to contact Ethiopia were reviewed.

6.1.6 Sudan

Contact was made by Sudan to inquire about Membership.

It was noted that the earlier strategy had been to solicit members that were well established associations. A newer one is to solicit National Member organizations that are not as well developed or active. The function has shifted to one of support for development.

6.2 Unpaid Dues for 3 years

6.3 Category O (Observer)

Current Category O

- * Chile has provided some dues money in the last three years but payments are not complete.
- * Israel asked to be placed in Category O. There was discussion about the status of the Israel Psychological Society and whether it actually represents the psychological science community. Kagitcibasi will contact them.
- * Korea - contact was made but not continued. Nair will follow up on Korea contact.
- * Mongolia has been a new member for 4 years but has never paid
- * Peru - it is likely that the organization that is a member is not the appropriate one. Sanchez-Sosa will follow up
- * Ukraine has been a member for 4 years, but never paid.

Potential Category O:

- * Italy: Remo Job- will be contacted by Lunt

Sabourin noted that the problem of non-paying members exists in other Unions. They are generally not called Observer Category but are called "Associate Members". It was suggested that the Presidential Work Group on Union Statutes consider names for this category (suggestions included "Associate Member" or "Lapsed Member").

The question of Observer Category status will be part of the dues revision discussion, as will the issue of restricting union activities to individuals from countries that are National Members or making activities available on a priority basis to National Member countries. There was discussion that the Union cannot afford to undermine its member base by preferential treatment to some countries. It was noted that the Congress is traditionally structured around individuals, not National Member membership.

6.4 Communication with National Members

6.4.1 USNC proposal re: Free Circulation of Scientists

(to be considered with 9.14)

7. Standing Committee on Research and Special Projects

The Chair Overmier indicated that there is no report from the committee.

7.1 2002 Annual Reports to ICSU & ISSC

Ritchie reported that Union is perceived as exemplary in reporting and feedback

7.2 Projects

7.2.1 ICSU - 2002

7.2.1.1 Block Grant for Capacity Building

7.2.2 ICSU - 2004

7.2.2.1 Category I primary submission -

Human Dimensions of Global Change: Human Perceptions & Behaviour in Sustainable Water Use was the only submission and the EC is cautiously optimistic about funding for this project. The supporting partner is the International Geographical Union.

7.2.2.2 Category II sponsored submissions

We were supporting partner for Human Dimensions of Biodiversity; and for a proposal from the Astronomical Union on the human impact of asteroids.

7.2.3 ICSU - 2005

Ritchie reported that ICSU has further refined their procedures. Each organization will be eligible for funding for 1 Category per funding round.

7.2.3.1 Category I prospects

7.2.3.2 Category II prospects

The EC considered potential proposals for categories I and II. Ritchie advice is that relative to amount of work for Category I, not try to prepare it. Nothing is ready to go in the immediate term. Category II prospects include:

Research Regulation

Alert researchers to barriers, requirements. The proposal from 2002 can be expanded.

Archiving

Great need for protocols; infrastructure; training; compendium. Union could serve as seed to give more importance to data sharing, data archiving. There are many justifications - foster cross-national research, allow researchers in many countries to have access who cannot collect primary data.

There was discussion of the range of possible projects and the need for interdisciplinary collaboration. The timing for archiving is good. The WSIS conference will be held in the coming years with its emphasis on data and technology; ICSU also has 4 priority area assessments with global impact and one of these is on data, broadly defined. It was also noted that the Union can pursue submitting a project on archiving to several venues - to ICSU, workgroup, task group within CODATA.

Ritchie noted that action was required to identify topics, choose the EC liaison to the project, develop an expert group, and create mechanisms for developing the proposal.

The EC moved to endorse the topics of research regulation and data sharing / archiving as EC projects

It was noted in discussion that any choice between these two research directions would be subjected to a later vote.

EC liaisons are Silbereisen and Sabourin for archiving; Bullock and Adair for research regulations. Application deadlines are Sept 15 for a letter of intent (5 pages); December 1 for full draft; February 1 for final submission. There is up to \$50,000 for each project. Part of the proposals will include sponsoring a Union symposium on data archiving and on research regulation at the Beijing conference.

7.2.4 ISSC 2002-03

7.2.4.1 ARTS 2002 - deferred until Friday

7.2.4.2 Capacity Building for Psychological Scientists in Asian Countries 2002

See Annual Report

7.2.4.3 Health Policy Development and Transferability of Knowledge 2003

The Secretary-General reported on new procedures in ISSC and noted that although there was verbal confirmation of the current projects, funds have not yet arrived.

7.2.5 ISSC 2004-05

Secretary-General described the UNESCO relationship with ISSC and the talk by Mme Van Furstenberg at the ISSC Assembly meeting. The present Secretary-General of ISSC Hassan Kazancigil - was a UNESCO participant for many years. He is Turkish, and was a long time UNESCO bureaucrat. He reports that UNESCO is engaging in a more extensive review of its relations with science organizations and it is anticipated that there is going to be less support in the next biennium 2005-2006, because of financial issues with UNESCO.

The Secretary-General described meetings with the new ISSC Secretary-General in April.

Kagitcibasi reported on the EC meeting in May. Mme Van Furstenberg was more positive in her attitude to ISSC at this meeting.

There was discussion that there is considerable uncertainty within UNESCO, in particular because there is a new DG.

7.2.5.1 Future of ISSC / UNESCO Grants Programme

Discussion of the ISSC organizations and status continued. It was clear that there will be continued uncertainty. However, it is expected that there will be a call for submissions this fall with likely due date in December.

7.2.5.2 Potential projects

There was discussion on the number of proposals to submit (ARTS, National Capacity Building) and concern for assuring sufficient ARTS resources. It was noted that ARTS will receive \$4000 per year annualized, either out of grants or out of central treasury. There was discussion of other topics such as a civil society project. Names suggested Judith Torney-Purta; James Youniss from the US; Turkish colleagues and cross-disciplinary activities.

7.3 Preparation of Grant project submissions & reports

The EC endorsed exploring two topics for ISSC submissions: National Capacity Building and ARTS

Nair is EC liaison for National Capacity Building and Lunt is EC liaison for ARTS. Overmier will explore developing a third submission on civil society; Cooper will contact Lionel Nicholas for development of a submission on AIDS.

8. Standing Committee on Communications and Publications

8.1 International Journal of Psychology

The International Journal of Psychology is in the Journal Citation Report. Its impact factor is .783,

which is not bad for a general journal. Ranked 45th. Online access is successful - page views 7026; content view 11068; article page view 8421; full text 1351. The IJP brings revenue in terms of royalties. The number of special issues has increased.

Challenges to the journal include:

- * An unexpected drop in number of subscriptions to the journal (455 subscription copies from 700)
- * The subscription agent for many institutional subscriptions went bankrupt and Psychology Press had to cover the loss

d'Ydewalle reviewed the Editor's report from Hernandez:

- * Changes have been made to the process: Each article is totally double blind reviewed.
- * The quality of submissions has not been as high as desired, and writing quality has suffered.
- * Revisions have been unexpectedly slow in arriving.

There was discussion of proposals to increase journal subscriptions by offering subscriptions at low rates to individuals and to students and to developing countries.

8.2 Resource File

d'Ydewalle reported that Resource file is very successful.

The EC reviewed applications for incoming Resource File editors.

The EC approved appointing Daniel Wedding and Michael Stevens as the new CD editors to begin in 2005.

Overmier noted that the deadline for revisions for the 2004 edition is September 1, 2003.

The EC passed a motion to negotiate with Psychology Press that every attendee at the Beijing Congress receive the CD Rom for 2004 if possible or 2003 if more feasible

8.3 Newsletter

There was an update on new features

8.4 Website

There was an update on upcoming changes

8.5 Meeting with Psychology Press

A number of projects were discussed:

- * History of the Union - this will be translated into Chinese
- * Conceptual History project - half of the manuscripts are in, and the target is to have all by the end of 2003. The title is "Concepts in Psychology - A Historical Perspective". The target is a 300 pp advanced undergraduate book. 14 concepts will be included.
- * Proceedings of XXVII Congress (Stockholm)- copies are still being sold; figures are lower than Montreal; important to emphasize that Psychology Press is eager to see how the proceedings will be sold in Beijing as measure of future sales

8.6 Future activities

- * A project on Teaching & Learning of Psychology has been accepted for a special issue of the journal, with special editor Bill McKeachie. This will be based on a conference held in Russia.
- * A Psychology in the Middle East North Africa Area publication could grow out of the MENA conference. Sabourin reported that there was interest from Psychology Press. There was discussion of whether this should be pursued as special IJP issue and suggestions that it be published as special issue with stand alone translations.

9. Standing Committee on the Development of Psychology as a Science & as a Profession

9.1 Framework paper

Poortinga has received no comments. Paper was translated in Spanish.

9.2 WG on National Capacity-Building

Poortinga reviewed a document he produced on Workgroup activities. The workshop organizers are waiting for details on financial obligations (hotels, accommodations) from the Chinese organizers. The EC discussed the principle of increasing the deficit to accommodate the capacity building workshop in Beijing. Costs will include registration fees; travel; accommodations ; food. An application will be submitted to ISSC for the workshop.

The EC approved to support the Beijing workshop by guaranteeing a minimum amount of funding from Union funds with the proviso that external funding will be sought and if secured will be used to cover the activities. The EC will be provided with a draft proposal not later than September 1.

9.2.1 Dubai Workshop

The workshop planning was discussed including funding and program visibility and eligibility. It was noted that it is important for this meeting to be a visible adjunct to the conference and not an ad hoc meeting within the program. There was a discussion of the relative allocation of resources for this activity among other capacity building activities.

There was discussion of the criteria for attending as a participant - participants must be officers of a national association. They will be invited ex officio - and will not be funded. Make it clear that this is expected to be part of their attendance.

There was discussion of potential funding through the small German pool of money.

The EC approved moving forward with the Dubai workshop and charged the organizers and the Secretary-General with applying for funds to the German Psychological Society.

9.2.2 Beijing Workshop

Discussion of the capacity building workshop in Beijing led to a suggestion to focus on "Asian Regional Capacity Building" activities. This would have the advantage of extending activities begun in Singapore (regional group) and of minimizing required resources. There was also a suggestion for each regional group involved in workshops to assume leadership to building continuity and capacity infrastructure. It was agreed that the Beijing activity will be supported through the Union.

Zhang noted that ARTS and capacity building activities have always been considered separately by the organizers. Participants will be eligible for support from the assistance program. The organizers support the regional aspect. However, if someone is invited it will be from the Union, not from the Chinese. Meeting rooms will be made available for the capacity building workshop. The capacity building organizers were requested to draft a proposal that specifies the roster of participants and presenters and estimates of required funds for the Beijing workshop. The focus will be on national capacity building and enabling National Members to fully participate in Union's activities. It was suggested that National Members be asked how the Union can most benefit National Members.

There was discussion of cost estimates and of timing of the workshop. It was agreed that the workshop should dovetail with the International Congress, so that the participants can participate in scientific and conference activities (e.g., 2 days after the Congress). The focus will be for officers of associations from National Member countries. The organizers will prepare a budget that includes a minimum from the Union for meals, travel for two days, and accommodation. If a grant from ISSC for this activity is secured and if the funds can be channeled to 2004 the organizers would like to add travel support but only after Union costs are returned. The Facilitators will be primarily EC members.

9.3 Sub-committee on Women's Issues

The Sub-Committee will meet in Beijing. There is nothing to report at this point.

10. Elections Committee

10.1 2004 Elections

10.1.1 Call for Nominations

d'Ydewalle will disseminate the call for nominations. New statutes will be posted on the web.

11. ARTS

11.1 ARTS 2004

Adair described the current status of ARTS programs and distributed a printed program. He noted that the announcement has appeared on the IUPsyS website, in the IAAP newsletter, IACCP Bulletin, ISSBD newsletter, and is included on the Chinese Congress web site. He reviewed the range of contacts made to facilitate ARTS.

Adair then described new ARTS initiatives, including

- * a revised ARTS Web page with announcements, donor recognition, information for prospective conveners;
- * a proposal for an ARTS social hour during the Congress that would provide an opportunity for participants to meet and to recognize and thank the sponsors;
- * an ARTS alumni gathering.

Other issues discussed included fund raising issues, donations, projected ARTS attendance including funded and paying attendees; and the timing of ARTS with respect to the IACCP and

IUPsyS meetings.

11.2 Transition to new ARTS Coordinator

Lunt commented that she would increasingly take the lead and direct ARTS for Athens and Berlin. The expectation is that the EC will appoint another coordinator in 2006 who will take the lead beginning in 2008.

12. Presidential Work Group on Union Statutes

The President reviewed the membership of the Work Group, its work outline, and the 6 major issues that were considered, and reviewed the Workgroup report.

There was discussion of a range of issues including the size of the EC; the definition of EC officers; country representation constraints on the EC; EC member portfolios.

The EC charged the Working Group to prepare a statute amendment or amendments to present to the Assembly specifying (a) that the EC will be reduced so that there will be 1 Vice President and (b) that the officers include the President, Past President, Vice President, Secretary-General, Deputy Secretary-General and Treasurer.

12.2 Strategic Planning

The EC appointed a Work Group on Strategic Planning with Ritchie (chair), Silbereisen, Overmier, Lunt and Denis.

The charge to the Work Group is to generate a synthesis of the outcomes of the other Union Work Groups and to develop a strategic plan to be used as the basis for the next quadrennial.

This synthesis and plan will be submitted to the 2004 EC and Assembly.

12.3 Mail ballot to revise voting threshold for Statutes amendments

The President reviewed the history of this amendment and the requirement that the EC consider just whether the wording is appropriate. The EC approved revised wording of the amendment for sending to the GA as a mail ballot

13. WG on Union Activities

Adair (chair) turned to Poortinga, who reviewed his draft of the white paper. It was noted that the draft had not been discussed with work group members. There was discussion of the issues raised in the paper including activity funding and developing mechanisms to more broadly involve National Members in Union activities and to allocate resources according to National Member needs and priorities.

The EC developed a motion to provide guidance on activities and resource allocation.

The EC passed the following Motion:

Whereas the Union is committed to the development of the science and profession of psychology internationally, the Union will use its best endeavours to engage with National Members in good standing and will continue to encourage participation from regions of the world currently underrepresented in the Union, and will therefore utilize its limited resources for the benefit of 1) National Members in good standing, especially of low income countries; 2) developing Union membership of countries that are not Union members, and/or where psychology in its scientific form and content required consolidation, and will only thereafter consider sponsorship of psychologists coming from Category O countries

It was decided that this Work Group would no longer continue given the action taken to convene the strategic plan workgroup.

14. WG on Public Policy Issues affecting Psychology & Psychological Organizations

Silbereisen noted that the document produced by this Work Group addressed a slightly different question than the charge. There was discussion of two case studies - a letter from a National Member asking for a policy statement, and Union responses to disagreement in the field.

There was discussion about the appropriateness of IUPsyS making policy statements on substantive areas and its reluctance to enter into professional debates. It was suggested that the strategic plan group address the kinds of issues that IUPsyS policy statements might address including free flow of science, human rights issues, and backup help for National Members.

Discussion of a letter sent to the Union from the US National Member The EC commended the

intent of the letter on policy statements as being within the mission and obligations of the Union. It was felt that the wording of the final sentence would be difficult and ambiguous to implement. The Secretary-General will write to the USNC suggesting alternate wording as follows: "it is an obligation of the IUPsyS EC to act to address involuntary restrictions using appropriate and adequate channels."

15. WG on Psychology Prize (Cooper not present) Denis (chair), Ardila, Lunt
Denis reviewed the history and initial steps of this initiative and communication from Nilsson, in which he indicated that there would be no competition from the Nobel committee, and suggested the Union move ahead on the initiative.

Discussion focused on the categories of prize that might be offered (e.g., for scientific contribution; for contribution to international psychology) and the advantages and challenges of each, including required funds, infrastructure and political issues. There was discussion of different goals of such a prize, e.g., international recognition and international promotion of psychology, and of other prizes in psychology. The Work Group will continue its exploration.

16. International Congresses of Psychology

16.1 XXVIII Congress (Beijing)

Zhang referred to the Congress announcement and the call for papers. d'Ydewalle recounted liaison activities in two visits to Beijing, including working on the scientific program (along with Chen from Hong Kong); He reported that the overall program is well structured and discussed geographical representation. He commended the organizers on maintaining low registration fees. There was discussion about abstracts, registration discounts; promotional activities and solicitation of travel funds for young psychologists, especially from low income countries.

16.1.1 Scientific Programme

There was agreement to add two Union symposia to the program (on research regulation and on data archiving).

16.1.2 Budget & Finances

Zhang presented a report on behalf of the Chinese organizers

16.1.3 Promotional activities

There was discussion of promotional needs. Each EC member agreed to make special efforts in their departments, countries and areas of work expertise to promote submissions to the Congress.

16.1.4 Abstract Book

It was agreed that there does not need to be a hard-copy abstract book and that the complete set of abstracts should be provided on CD rom to each attendee. The organizers will assure that there are sufficient computer monitors and facilities onsite to view CD roms. After the Congress, the abstracts will be published in the usual way as a 2-volume issue of the journal.

16.1.5 Proceedings

d'Ydewalle, in consultation with Sabourin, Ritchie and the Chinese organizers, will complete the negotiations on the contact for proceedings

16.1.6 Article in IJP

There will be an article on China prepared by the Chinese organizers

16.1.7 Contingency Plans

The President encouraged the Chinese on behalf of the EC to consider contingency plans in the case of challenges such as SARS that are beyond their control. Discussion concerned emerging issues and safety concerns with international congresses, and the impossibility of providing assurances. Any international congress will face issues.

16.1.8 2004 Assembly

The agenda for the Assembly will be prepared with discussion/action and information items.

There was discussion of the need to ensure that people who have worked on projects have time in the Assembly to discuss them. The EC was urged to review the agenda carefully and to notify the Secretary-General if there are items on which they will need to speak.

There was discussion of contingency plans if there is no Assembly or no quorum attained in Beijing. Advice from the statutes, past Presidents, the lawyer who incorporated the Union in Canada converged on suggesting a principle of continuity whereby if a quorum is not obtained in

Beijing, the EC is maintained until the Berlin Congress. Although not presently part of the legitimate election procedure, there was discussion about whether mail ballots could be used and agreement this was an issue that the Statutes Work Group should consider. The general sentiment of the EC was to explore options for mail or other ballot types in the event that elections could not be concluded.

16.2 XXIX Congress (Berlin) Progress Report

Denis as liaison noted that a contract is in the draft stages and should be available soon for consideration. It is expected that a detailed report and extensive presentation will be submitted to the 2004 EC. There is an expectation that the reception of the closing ceremony will be sponsored by the next congress organizers and that they are featured prominently in the closing program.

17. Regional Conferences

17.1 Report on South Asia (Mumbai) 2001

This report was published in the IJP

17.2 Progress Report on Middle East & North Africa (Dubai) 2003

Sabourin reported that the MENA conference planning, stalled because of the war, is now back on track. A website is up, there has been a call for papers, and the organizers are presently making decisions about registration fees. The organizers and psychological association President are well connected although they have little conference organizing experience. Sabourin reviewed the structure of the congress (organizing committee; scientific committee), preliminary arrangements (hotels, dormitories, travel funds). The expected attendance is difficult to estimate because there is little organized psychology in Dubai but there is contact across the region (Yemen, Kuwait, Egypt); and more broadly.

There was discussion of the conference logistics and the capacity building workshop logistics.

17.3 Future Regional Conferences

Ritchie provided information that IAAP is considering options of Southeast Asia (Thailand or Viet Nam), West Africa, Central America for 2005.

18. International Network of Psychology & the Developing World

Ritchie presented a report from Cooper (who was absent during this part of the meeting). Cooper will convene a meeting during the next year of African national associations to further inter-association collaborations.

19. International Network of Psychology and Global Change

Kagitcibasi reported on the good success of the network's development of a successful grant.

20. HealthNet

Sanchez-Sosa reported that Healthnet is going well but would not have been possible without the collaboration of his university role and IAAP connections. Distributing Healthnet in paper form has become prohibitively expensive. A reduced number of copies is still being produced for those countries that have requested it.

21. Committee for the Psychological Study of Peace

Ardila submitted a report. Questions were raised about the status of this committee within the Union and the lack of follow-through and communication with the Union.

The EC charged the President to send a letter to the Committee chair inquiring about its status and stressing the Union's need to know and be informed of the committee actions if it is to remain a Union committee.

22. Relationships with Other Psychological Organizations

22.1 Joint Committee on IUPsyS/IAAP Cooperation

Denis reported on meetings during the European Congress in Vienna. He reported good collaborations in regard to regional conferences. The Union will support the IAAP application for recognition in the UN. They have just gotten consultative status to DPI and will assist with

ECOSOC.

22.2 EFPA

Ritchie reported on the EFPA General Assembly and noted considerable progress in addressing concerns of the science community. The statutes were revised to introduce mention of science and scientific activity for further clarity. The European Diploma initiative was the hottest topic, and it is likely there will be an EFPA special general assembly in late 2004 to consider it.

22.3 International Test Commission

Adair reported as liaison. He noted that it was time for a new liaison appointee to the ITC. The IUPsyS appointee is a member of the council of the ITC and should be someone with a testing orientation who will plan on participating actively on the committee. Adair will correspond with the ITC on this new appointment with copy to the Secretary-General.

22.4 International Psychology Student Organization

Ritchie reported on the successful founding of the student organization and its focus on research oriented graduate students. It is an individual organization that taps into regional or national structures as much as possible.

23. Relationship with Other Organizations

23.1 ICSU

The President reported on the Executive Committee meetings and noted that ICSU is launching priority areas on the environment; on data; and is establishing a policy committee on developing countries. Other issues of note include support of "bio-unions" including exchanging congress participation and increased collaboration and interaction; emergence of health as central issue area.

Ritchie sent a report on activities of the Committee on Scientific Planning & Research.

23.2 ISSC

KagitÄibasi reported on activities of the Executive Committee in May under the chair of the new President, Lourdes Arizpe. She also reported on the General Assembly, which followed on a conference on social sciences and social policy. She noted there is uncertainty about the role of UNESCO and its funding of activities and programs in ISSC.

Ritchie added that as the UNESCO and ISSC structures change there is a danger of getting the funding calendars out of sync so that proposals might miss one funding period and called on KagitÄibasi to be vigilant about this. There is a plan to modify funding procedures so that there will be smoother and more efficient proposal planning, evaluation and funding.

23.2.1. Declaration from the Vienna conference

The EC endorsed IUPsyS endorsement of the Vienna resolution.

23.3 United Nations System

23.3.1 UNESCO, WHO, UNICEF

Ritchie noted that anyone interested in receiving the adherence report should send an email to the Secretariat.

The Union has submitted an application to UNICEF but there has been no response. This will be pursued.

Sabourin referred to his report on the UN Secretariat (DPI and ECOSOC) and described increased activities.

23.4 Global Forum for Health Research

A report on activities is included in WHO report

23.5 InterAcademy Panel (IAP)/ Third World Academies of Science (TWAS)

KagitÄibasi reported on involvement in IAP activities through the Turkish Academy of Science , including a workshop on capacity building for primarily Moslem countries held in the Third World Academies of Science center and a symposium on science, religion and values, concentrating on Islam. It was suggested that the Union support the nomination of majority world psychological scientists to the TWAS. Sanchez-Sosa and KagitÄibasi were charged with collecting information from the President of the TWAS (Sanchez-Sosa) and Secretary General (KagitÄibasi) on the nomination and election process with the goal of increasing participation of psychologists.

23.6 World Mental Health Federation

Bullock reported on a meeting of the (Ad Hoc) World Consortium for the Promotion of Mental Health and Prevention of Mental and Behavioral Disorders and IUPsyS involvement.

24. Preparation of 2004 Assembly (SEE 16.1.8)**25. Dates of 2004 Executive Committee**

The International Congress begins Aug 8. The EC will meet Aug 6, 7 and the morning of Aug 8. The Assembly will meet Monday 9 August, and Wednesday 11 August. The incoming EC will meet Friday 13 August.

26. Other Business

There was discussion about work products made on behalf of the Union. It was noted that there is need for clarification of EC review about products that are made on behalf the IUPsyS (such as WHO modules; policy statements) and that are tied to the Union name. There is also need to develop a statement indicating that work produced under the name of the Union is the work of individuals not IUPsyS unless that work has been reviewed and endorsed by the Union EC and, in some cases, Assembly. There was a request for making access to the papers and products of work groups available. It was agreed to place such products on the web.

27. Adjournment

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