

IIS Board of Trustees Meeting 9th November 2018

Present: Jens Atzrodt, Alban Allentoff, Dave Hesk, Brad Maxwell, Bruce McKillican, Tomas Elbert, Chad Elmore, Matt Hrapchak

Apologies for absence: Marwan ElMasri, Volker Derdau, David Schenk

1. BoT changes

JA opened the meeting by thanking outgoing members of the BoT (AA, DS and Tomas Moenius) who will be leaving the board at the end of the year. In addition, he welcomed new members (CE and MH) to the 2019-2021 board. JA also thanked TE for his service to the BoT as the organizer of the Prague meeting

2. Prague Update

TE updated the BoT on the final outcome of the Prague meeting. There was a total of 196 participants. A net surplus of \$16,485 was realized from the conference of which \$3,400 will be returned to the CED. As the Czech Chemical society played a key role in the Prague conference organization and have already pledged to sponsor the 2019 CED meeting, it was agreed that from the remaining \$13,000 net, one third of these funds will be given to the Czech Chemical society. The remainder will be transferred to the central IIS funds to be used as seed money to support the 2021 International meeting.

The proceedings will be published as a special edition of JLCR. All presenters have been contacted for contributions, which will be full papers and go through the normal peer review process. To date three commitments have been received. The deadline for submissions is March 31st, 2019. Publication is planned for late June of 2019.

3. Raleigh 2021 update

BMK updated the BoT on the current status of the 2021 meeting. The venue at NC State for the meeting has been reserved. Work is underway to put the SAB together. Cvent will be used to host the conference website, which was previously used for Chicago, Princeton and recent North American Chapter meetings. Following a recent move to join RTI in the Raleigh/Durham area, DH stated he would be happy to offer his help to BMK in organization of the meeting.

4. Membership Update

DH updated the BoT on current membership status. Updating of the membership lists for the membership renewal process for 2019 is in progress. Current membership stands at 150 members paid through 2018 with 65 paid through 2020 and 46 paid through 2021. Exploring new ideas to increase membership will be a focus for the 2019-2021 BoT

5. Financial update

AA stated that there is currently about \$184,039 held in the main IIS accounts of which \$72,438 is earmarked for support of international meetings. Additional funds (ca \$30,000) are held in the Garden State Community bank, which is primarily used to collect membership dues via credit card payments. These funds are periodically transferred to the main accounts. AA will be transferring the role of CFO to BM for the 2019-2021 BoT.

6. BoR

BM stated that following the BoT elections, he will be reaching out to members of the BoR to ask members of the BoR to determine whether any one of them would have interest in serving at BoR chairman and hence be a member of the 2019-2021 BoT. JA stated that the role of the BoR needs to be better defined to make it a more effective body.

7. IIS website

BM stated that he has provided ME the contact information of the IIS webmaster to begin efforts to redesign and update the website. This will be a major objective for 2019.

Post meeting note: The required login information has been provided to ME and ideas from members of the Bot are now needed to help with the website redesign process.

Next BoT meeting

This will be held in early 2019 and will be organized by MH.

David Hesk
IIS Executive Secretary