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Protocol 2002/1

of the Meeting of the Board in the Institut fuer Rechtsmedizin, Zuerich/Switzerland, on January 25, 2002 at 09.00

Participants:

Angel CARRACEDO (AC)

Bjoernar OLAISEN (BO) Niels MORLING (NM) Peter SCHNEIDER (PS)

Christian DOUTREMEPUICH (CD)

Wolfgang MAYR (WM)

Protocol by WM

TOP 7

Conference 2003 in Arcachon

(due to the fact that CD had to leave rather early, this top has been discussed in the beginning of the meeting)

CD and Martine VASSARD (manager of the Conference Centre in Arcachon) present their ideas for the International Congress of the ISFG (9 – 13 Sept. 2003) which are gratefully accepted by the Board. Further discussions will take place during the next Board meeting.

TOP 1

Adoption of the Protocol 2001/3 (Meeting of the Board in Muenster (Halle Muensterland – August 28, 2001)

The protocol is adopted

TOP 2

Business of the Members of the Board

President

AC reports that the ISFG is a healthy society which, however, needs some promotion, especially in regions in which there are few members (eg South-East Asia, East Asia or Chile). During his visits of scientific meetings in these regions, he will try to promote the membership to the ISFG.

Secretary

Several new members are admitted:

AREVALO Jorge, Magdalena-Lima/Peru

MONTOYA Isabel, Magdalena-Lima/Peru

BUSTOS Indiana, Bogota/Colombia

CARABALLO Luis, Cartagena/Colombia

CATANESI Cecilia, La Plata/Argentina

WAGNER DELMONDES CABRAL Alberto, Sao Paulo/Brasil

ROSALES FRITZ Victor M; San Juan/Argentina

GONZALES Sergio, Santa Fe/Argentina

HERING Sandra, Dresden/BRD

INAKI Yurrebaso, Bilbao/Spain

NATSUE OZAKI Adriana, Sao Paulo/Brasil

PENAS Raul, Bibao/Spain

REY Manuel, Sevilla/Spain

RODRIGUEZ-SANCHEZ Alicia, Quito/Ecuador

RAMIRES SIFONTES Sylvia Teresa, San Cristobal/Venezuela

SKITSA Ioulia, Athens/Greece

VASQUEZ Patricia, Zaragoza/Spain

Treasurer

NM presents the financial report; the situation is ok with assets of € 61.278,63. He urges that the members should pay their membership fee by credit cards; this information will be included in the website.

Representative for all Working Parties

PS gives a short report. The meetings of the individual working parties will be included in the ISFG website. The situation in Japan remains unclear.

TOP 3

Company Membership

WM will formulate a draft letter which should be sent to all companies which took part in the conference in Muenster in order to see whether or not they are interested in a corporate membership.

TOP 4

ISFG Website

PS gives a short presentation on the actual state. The "discussion forum" is still open and will be installed in the "members only" area.

TOP 5

Newsletter 1/2002

This newsletter, which will be probably the last one produced on paper, should include

- minutes of the General Assembly
- information with regard to the Congress 2003 in Arcachon
- information concerning the website
- password for the website (isfg2001 / dna\$4org)
- membership list
- call to inform the secretary on e-mail addresses

TOP 6

Conference 2001 in Muenster

B. Brinkmann who cannot attend the Board Meeting informed AC that the Conference 2001 gave a financial plus of approximately € 35.000.-. This fact is gratefully acknowledged by the Board. The publication of the Proceedings seems to be slightly delayed; after the Conference in 2003, the Board should try to speed up the publication of the Proceedings (within 6 months).

TOP 8

Recommendations for Paternity Testing

In the meeting of the PTC (Paternity Testing Commission), which will take place on Jan. 25, 2002 after the Board meeting, the Board will try to come to the following end: accept EN ISO/IEC 17025, add specific recommendations and explain in a detailed introduction why it is not possible for the ISFG to give more specific instructions. The report of the PTC will be edited by NM, the chairman of the PTC.

TOP 9 Varia

AC reports that P. Gill has ideas for 2 new topics for the DNA Commission of the ISFG: interpretation of mixtures and low copy number PCR. The Board feels that these problems should be discussed and tested in the EDNAP; recommendations by the DNA Commission could be reached after such exercises. The project to lauch a "Journal of Forensic Genetics" is discussed; WM will try to organize a contact between AC and a representative of Blackwell (publisher of VOX SANGUINIS)

TOP 10

Date, Place and Topics of the Next Meeting of the Board

The next Board meeting will take place in Mainz (Institut fuer Rechtsmedizin) on June 5, 2001 at 10.00. Main topic: Congress 2003 in Arcachon

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FINCANCE REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR FORENSIC GENETICS. Registered Society

for the Board meeting on 25.1.2002, Zürich

Account balance on 21.8.2001 (= 38.464,47 DM)

19.666,58 €

<u>Income</u> (21.8.2001-14.1.2002)

Membership fees

11.504,71 €

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<u>Outgoings</u> (21.8.2001-14.1.2002)

Bank charges Postage Office work Travelling costs of the board members Prize for 2001 (2 x 300, €)	104,08 € 625,16 € 1.681,50 € 2.417,47 € 622,00 €
	5.450,21 €
Income	11.504,71 €
+ Account balance	19.666,58 €
= ./. Outgoings	31.171,29 € 5.450,21 €
Account balance on 14.1.02	25.721,08 €

Fond for scientific advancement (Prize account)

Fixed sum account:

Bank balance on 18.9.00	5.577,38 €

Buy of Securities for the amount of 10.908,40 DM, fixed until March 2002 with Purchase of 4,75 %.

FIXED SUM

Balance on 18.9.00 29.980,17 €

Buy of Securities for the amount of 58.636,11 DM, fixed until March 2002 with Purchase of 4,75 %

Total balance on 14.1.2002

Fixed sum account (Prize account)	5.577,38 €
Bank Account	25.721,08 €
Fixed sum account	29.980,17 €

61.278,63 € ======

Münster, 14.1.2002