

## **Minutes IPS General Business Meeting, Udine, 2016**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2016**

The meeting was chaired by the Secretary: Allison McKendrick.

### **Board positions**

The following positions retired at this meeting and were thanked for their service:

- David Henson, Past Secretary
- Chris Johnson, President
- Mitch Dul, Treasurer.

A vote was obtained for the following new appointments that were adopted by the membership:

- Chota Matsumoto, President
- Chris Johnson, Past President
- Mitch Dul, Treasurer (for a second 4 year term)
- Lyne Racette, Member at Large
- Ryo Asaoka, Member at Large

**The following items arising from the IPS Board meeting held on Tues 27<sup>th</sup> September were tabled and discussed:**

### **IPS Website:**

The iPS website has been maintained for some time pro-bono by Trish Duffel. The current arrangement is not sustainable. The board decided that the website needs upgrading to a more streamlined and contemporary look. A decision has been made to enlist the service of Jessica Bramow (Iowa) to work on a new website design for the society.

### **Secretary's report**

Prof McKendrick reported that the IPS has received and processed 7 new applications for membership since the New York meeting.

For the Udine meeting, a total of 62 abstracts were received: 10 poster preferred; 41 oral preferred, 11 no preference. Reviewing of the abstracts was conducted by 18 reviewers who each scored between 3-8 abstracts. All abstracts were reviewed by 2 people and a cumulative score given. All abstracts were deemed of acceptable standard for presentation at the meeting. The score did not influence the allocation of oral versus poster presentation, however, contributed to ranking for prizes and travel awards.

At time of abstract processing, there were 77 active members with paid dues. The IPS has another mailing list of approximately 100 members with unpaid dues. It was noted that a significant differential between the number of active paid members and listed members has been ongoing for the history of the IPS.

### **Treasurer's report**

Prof Dul presented a report to the business meeting. In summary, the balance at Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 2016 is \$US 92,520, up from \$US 61,570 at January 2014, primarily due to a surplus of \$27,387 from the 2014 IPS New York meeting.

### **Travel grants and Heidelberg Award**

There were 7 applications for the 6 travel grants. The travel grants were assessed by the Awards Committee (chaired by Dr Fritz Dannheim). The awardees were Nikki Rubinstein, Shindy Je, Lindsay Rountree, Jack Phu, Luke Saunders, Shuichiro Aoki.

The following changes to the travel grant process adopted at the 2016 Board meeting were presented:

- To change the travel grants to also include registration for the meeting, and membership for the next 2 years as complementary, in addition to the \$1000 for travel expenses
- To clarify the wording of eligibility for the travel grants to include "up to 3 years of initial postdoctoral training".
- To promote the Heidelberg Award on the website, including promotion after the conference with photos of the awardees to be posted on the main IPS website.

### **Revision of constitution**

It was noted that there are several areas of the current constitution that do not describe the current practice of the organisation. It was noted that any changes to the constitution require two months notice to be provided prior to a vote at a general business meeting. In order to facilitate this process to occur in a timely fashion between biennial general business meetings, an edited version of the constitution will be circulated to the current financial general membership for voting via an online survey.

### **Visibility of the IPS**

Members were encouraged to do their best to improve the visibility of the IPS. The new website was seen as a key enabler for this effort. All members were encouraged to participate as advocates for the society, in particular in regard to ongoing promotion of the next meeting at local events in their home country.

### **Poster sessions at IPS meetings**

A discussion regarding the format of the poster session was held. For the Udine meeting, the program has been arranged to have 3 minutes for each individual presentation and then the poster display. Further feedback from the general membership was welcomed regarding the poster format for future meetings.

### **Open Perimetry Initiative**

It was reported that the OPI is being used by nearly 20 different sites internationally, with increasing uptake from industry partners in the past 2 years since the last meeting. The Open Perimetry Interface is now implemented on the following devices: Haag-Streit Octopus 900 and 0600, Kowa AP7000, Heidelberg Edge Perimeter. Ongoing discussions are occurring with several other industry partners.

### **Voting for Honorary members**

The following honorary members were proposed: Hans Bebie, Doug Anderson, and Enrico Gandolfo (in memoriam). There was a consensus to adopt these nominations. Invitations will be sent via the Secretary, signed by the President and Vice Presidents.

### **2018 meeting Kanazawa, Japan**

The 2018 meeting will be held in Kanazawa, Japan hosted by Dr Iwase and Prof Sugiyama from May 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> 2017. Preparations for the Kanazawa meeting are progressing well. A powerpoint presentation regarding the planned venue and social program was presented by Prof Sugiyama.

### **2020 meeting San Francisco, USA**

A bid was received from Prof John Flanagan to host the 2020 meeting in San Francisco