



## **PENSIONS, BENEFITS AND SOCIAL SECURITY SECTION (PBSS)**

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the PBSS Section held on Tuesday 8 May 2012 from 08:00 to 8:45 hrs at the Sheraton Hotel, Hong Kong**

#### **1. Introductions and Apologies**

The Chairman (Chris Daykin) welcomed everybody to the meeting. It was attended by 24 members of PBSS. The apology of the secretary of the PBSS for not attending the meeting was noted.

#### **2. Adoption of Agenda**

The Chairman briefly discussed the agenda whereafter it was adopted without change.

#### **3. Chairman's report**

CD noted that there were some 280 attendees at the colloquium, and that a solid PBSS track was included in the program. Membership was steadily increasing, although it was noted that there was some issues with national organisations, which we were trying to resolve. A special word of thanks was extended to Geoff Rashbrooke for updating the reading list on a monthly basis. This duty was now being taken over by Abe Hernandez, and he would be pleased to receive any suggestions. CD referred to the Virtual Library which was not a comprehensive list of papers. It was only meant to include papers that had a particular interest. However, we were open to suggestions to add specific papers. It was noted that the ASTIN bulletin was being rebranded. It was now intended to also cover scientific contributions from all practice areas.

A particular word of thanks was extended to Christian Levac from the IAA secretariat, who had given lots of support in various ways. The PBSS aimed to have contact with other organisations, e.g. ISSA. Some of the PBSS committee members were to attend the forthcoming ISSA conference. It was also noted that we were considering future cooperation with IPEBLA. There was a possibility of having a joint meeting in the future.

#### **4. Treasurer's report**

Doug Andrews presented the treasurer's report. It was noted that we had a successful year, and that our surplus had almost doubled. The surplus was now in excess of 1 year's revenue. It was noted that there was an increase in membership (and hence dues), and that there were no extraordinary expenses. We did not carry any financial risk at the colloquia. It was noted that the IAA was looking to change the method of recovering our contribution to the IAA secretariat, but there was no detail available yet. It could be expected to increase slightly. With reference to the ASTIN bulletin, it was noted that we were in the process of revising the publishing arrangements. A more electronic option was being considered which have a positive effect on our finances.

#### **5. Membership dues for the coming year**

The dues for the coming year (2013) were proposed to remain at the same level as currently, i.e. CAD50. This proposal was unanimously accepted.

## 6. Election of Committee Members

CD explained that should an election be needed, Junichi Sakamoto, who was the IAA representative, would oversee the election. The committee had 12 elected members and 2 members nominated by the IAA.

The current committee members were:

- Chris Daykin - Chairman
- Marius du Toit – Secretary (up to October 2011)
- Nobu Shimizu – Secretary (from October 2011)
- Doug Andrews - Treasurer
- Ken Buffin
- Alvaro Castro-Gutierrez
- Deborah Cooper
- Alf Gohdes
- Abraham Hernandez
- Rodrigo Ibarro
- Florian Leger
- Geoff Rashbrooke

The current IAA representatives were:

- Gary Hibbard
- Junichi Sakamoto

CD extended a special word of thanks to Alf Gohdes, Alvaro Castro-Gutierrez and Ken Buffin for roles they played in the committee. They had not made themselves available for re-election.

The current committee members continuing on the committee were:

- Nobu Shimizu (JAP)
- Doug Andrews (CAN)
- Abraham Hernandez (MEX)
- Florian Leger (FR)

The nominations for the rest of the committee members were:

- Chris Daykin (UK) (for 2 years only)
- Marius du Toit (ZA)
- Klaus Heubeck (D)
- Rodrigo Ibarra (ECU)
- Geoff Rashbrooke (NZ)
- Wang Wenliang (China)
- Doug Carey

There were no new nominations from the floor, and hence all the nominations were declared to be properly elected. There was still one vacant position, and anybody was invited to come forward and make themselves available.

## 7. Future activities

The next Colloquium would be held in Lyon, France, from 24 – 26 June 2013. Thierry Poincelin presented the details of the colloquium, and showed a short video. CD expressed the view that we were looking forward to seeing everyone present at the colloquium in France.

## 8. Close

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting, and thanked all for their attendance.