

December 3rd 2007
Newcastle Town Hall
ASB Conference General Meeting

Meeting Opened 5.39pm by Chair

In attendance :

Chair B. Hambley

Minutes: P. Smith

27 ASB Members in attendance

6 Apologies with Proxies were submitted.

The Minutes of the ASB Annual General Meeting at the School of Physiology Uni. Of Sydney were presented

Motion to accept the minutes moved: P Kuchel

Seconded: B Martinac

Motion carried by Floor.

No Business arising from the Minutes.

Summary of Treasurer's Report presented by A. Coster.

Discussed financial position of Society and the current state of Membership.

Offered motion of thanks to Organisers of 20-06 Meeting.

C. dos Remedios moved motion to accept the Treasurers report and also thanks for Effort as Treasurer over the past year

Seconded M. Bielby

Carried with acclaim.

President's Report presented by B. Hambley

Discussed the efforts of the Executive Council and Working Committee on IUPAB bid for 2014.

Discussed IBRO Meeting July 2007

Discussed interactions of the Society with FASTS

Possible Grouping of Society with Medical Societies for enhancement of programs for teaching – Biomedical Education Society

Discussed retirement of A. Hope – Alex made financial Donation to ASB.

Business arising from reports:

No Further business from Reports.

IUPAB Bid for 2014

Report presented by B. Hambley.

Discussed the Efforts so far, the organisation of the Bid, the organisation of the Bid Committee.

Invited Allison Gardiner of Brisbane Exhibition Centre to address meeting.

Allison Gardiner:

Discussed how the BEC would input

Discussed competition and the selection process and how the Society is approaching the Bid process.

Plan to hold a Lobby Function in Long Beach 2008 US Biophysics Meeting.

Discussed Financial support from outside the Society so far.

An additional meeting for the Exec and IUPAB Bid Committee members was to be held after ASB General Meeting.

Discussion over the manner of the Bid Presentation highlighting Professionalism and Scientific content.

C. Dos Remedios discussed lobbying of IUPAB Council to make personal approaches. Thanked the BEC – acclaim from the floor.

The Executive Council and the State / Territory Reps unchanged

Remain on the ASB Website.

Business of which Notice given to meeting:

No Business of which notices were sent.

General Business

Alex Hope, life member of ASB donated significant sum to ASB

Asked to set up new award – Acknowledge Original and Innovative Biophysics.

Award Discussed – Acknowledged MacAulay – Alex Hope's PhD supervisor.

Award to be MacAulay-Hope or Hope-MacAulay Award

Not necessarily an annual prize but acknowledgement of Innovative Biophysics.

Award to be a Medal and Cash Prize.

A. Coster moved vote of thanks for A. Hope

C. dos Remedios seconded – carried with acclaim.

Discussion

ASB to match funds into a special account
Name of Hope and MacAulay Prize
Moved by P. Barry seconded P. Moens
Carried by Floor – to be taken for approval by A. Hope.

Discussed restart of Curtin Conference Ion Channels and Transport
Looking for Support to restart.
Biannually at Grammar School (ACT)
Possible timing January or Easter.
D. Adams co member AuPS and ASB – AuPS would support
Good mixing with other societies
Lorne Conference discussed , being in February – possible joining on some
years.
Meeting gave in principle support but more discussion with other societies
required.

Meeting Discussed the provision of support to overseas students attending ASB
or ASB member students attending overseas meetings such as US Biophysical
Society Meeting
Discussed Support of Fluoro Workshop
For overseas students or attendance, need to discuss further levels of support.

IBRO meeting July 2007 – papers into Special edition of European Journal of
Biophysics.
Acknowledged ASB

No other General business was forthcoming
Meeting Closed 6.45pm