

**AASPP House of Delegates
Amsterdam Room, Lingotto Conference Centre
2:00 pm, Turin, 25 August 2008**

Present: Prof. David Guest (Chair; Australia; Vice President AASPP), Prof. Cheng-Gui Han (China; Secretary General AASPP), Dr Eun Woo Park (Korea; Treasurer AASPP), Dr Iftikar Ahmad (Pakistan), Dr Christian Camagun (Philippines), Ms Zhang Xin (Singapore), Dr Youliang Peng (China), Dr Sutruedee Prathuangwong (Thailand), Prof. Dov Prusky (Israel), Dr Nimal Adikaram (Sri Lanka).

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of previous meeting (Yogyakarta, August 2007)
3. Budget
4. ACPP 2011, Darwin
5. ICPP 2013, Beijing
6. ACPP 2014
7. AASPP Activities

Minutes

1. Apologies: Dr Greg Johnson (Australia)
2. No minutes of the previous meeting were available

3. Budget

The Treasurer, Dr Eun Woo Park, opened the discussion on AASPP finances. He informed the meeting that he had received no documents or statements on the financial position of the Society, and had no information on how the Society raised funds. He requested that the AASPP Standing Secretariat forward any financial documents it holds.

Without funds it is difficult for the Society to initiate any new activities. Proposals for raising funds were discussed. Among the options were a member societies joining fee, private sponsorship and sharing surpluses from ACPP to the Society. Calculation of member society joining fees should acknowledge the relative wealth and size of member societies, for example an algorithm combining membership with World Bank Income categories (high, medium or low) could be developed and agreed upon. The meeting agreed that the Secretariat should collect information on member societies. This information could be used to calculate proposed membership fees, and could also be made available on the AASPP website.

Discussion included what the funds would be used for, and they could support the AASPP purpose. Potential uses include establishing and maintaining an AASPP website, compiling and distributing a Society newsletter, paying a salary for a Business Manager at the AASPP Secretariat, contributing to travel costs of the AASPP Executive and providing bursaries for conference travel. A target of \$15,000 income pa was suggested to support these activities.

If the Society decides to raise funds it must be incorporated and set up a bank account. Dr Han (General Secretary) discussed issues surrounding establishing an AASPP bank account at the Standing Secretariat in China. He will report back to the next

meeting on the process required for agreeing on a constitution for AASPP, formal incorporation of the Society and establishing a Society bank account in China. Dr Han also proposed developing an action plan for 2008-2009.

4. 4th ACPP 2011, Darwin

The Australasian Plant Pathology Society is hosting the 4th Asian Conference for Plant Pathology in Darwin, Australia from 27-29 April 2011. The conference will be held jointly with the 18th Biennial Australasian Plant Pathology Conference. The Convenor of the Conference is Dr Lucy Tran Nguyen of the Northern Territory Department of Primary Industries.

5. 10th ICPP 2013, Beijing

The CSPP is hosting the 10th ICPP jointly with the CSPP Conference from 25-30 August 2013.

6. 5th ACPP

The host society and venue of the 5th ACPP, scheduled for 2014, will be decided at the House of Delegates meeting at the 4th ACPP in Darwin. Member societies are asked to consider presenting bids for this conference.

7. AASPP Activities

Prof. Han tabled a copy of the 2003-2008 report of AASPP to ISPP.

The meeting closed at 4:00 pm.