

MINUTES: 2002 MEMBERS' MEETING, JUNE 5th, PARIS, FRANCE

The meeting was opened by Ingeborg Rossow (president) and Tom Greenfield (vice-president)

1. The minutes of the general assembly meeting in Toronto June 2001 were approved.
2. Report on the Paris conference. This was given by Marie Choquet on behalf of the local organizing committee. The conference had 157 participants from more than 20 countries. (xx? attendees were given partial support from KBS funds. The final figures for the cost of the conference are not yet in but it appears that these were in line with the original budget). One hundred and two (102) papers were presented and not all of these arrived in time to be uploaded to the conference Web site. Neither did all abstracts arrive by the deadline set for abstracts. As ever a lot of work was required to process abstracts and format papers for the Web. Abstracts and papers that arrived after the deadline and those that did not follow the guidelines were especially troublesome. Clearer guidelines and a stricter adherence to the published deadlines will be recommended to future conference organizers.
3. Report from KBS treasurer: Trygve Ugland described the financial situation as considerably healthier than the previous year, owing to the successful campaign at the last meeting and by e-mail to secure payments from members. As of May 2002 there were 212 members (as compared to 295 member by May 2001). Members can pay fees for several years in advance, and those lacking behind with paying membership fees are considered members for some time. The payment status of members in May 2002 was as follows:

1998: 4
1999: 18
2000: 36
2001: 58
2002: 47
2003: 43
2004: 4
2005: 1
2006: 1

After the Toronto meeting there was 1,810 USD on the KBS account. From the Toronto meeting to the Paris meeting membership fees have brought in a total of 6,161 USD. Further, closing of the Finish account added another 1,915 USD, and hence a total of 9,886 USD were on the KBS account before the Paris meeting. Out of this the local organizers in Paris got 4,000 USD, and 74 USD were used for gifts to the local organizers in Toronto, leaving a total of 5,812 USD on the account before the Krakow meeting. The issue of the increase in dues was again

discussed.

4. Candidates for presidency and co-com 2003–2004. Nominating committee: Kim Bloomfield, Etienne Maffli and Robin Room (Robin chaired the committee). Proposed candidates for presidency: Andree Demeres, Tom Greenfield, Pia Mäkelä and Jacek Moskalewicz. Proposed candidates for co-com: Zsuzsanna Elekes, Louis Gliksman, Ronald Knibbe, Ludwig Kraus, Guillermina Natera, Kate Graham, Isidore Obot and Jukka Törönen. In order to reduce the amount of administrative work with the election it was decided that members will be sent a voting ballot electronically and they will return the ballot in a neutral envelope within a larger one addressed to Robin Room.
5. Workshop reports: Sharon Wilsnack reported from the IRGGA/GENACIS workshop. They had 3 meetings and 46 participants. Sverre Nesvåg reported from the workshop on alcohol in the workfield who had 10 participants. No reports from a workshop on alcohol related crashes. Tom (Greenfield) reported from the alcohol consumption measurement workshop that had 15 participants. Jukka Törönen requested that a qualitative workshop be arranged in 2003.
6. Thematic meetings, recent meeting were referred, upcoming meetings presented briefly (see notes from the co-com meetings).
7. Future annual meetings: 2003: Jacek Moskalewicz has proposed to host the 2003 meeting in Krakow, Poland June 2 to 6. This was approved of by the general assembly. 2004: Marja Holmila and Jukka Törönen have proposed to host the meeting in Helsinki, Finland in June 2004. No other candidates yet for 2004. Gothenburg has proposed to host the meeting in 2005 or 2006 (Lena and Fredrik Spak). Mexico city has been suggested as a possible host for the 2005 meeting.
8. KBS web-site: After some delay, the domain names were transferred from Ron Roizen; Jan Bibel, webmaster for ARG is maintaining the KBS website as well and may be contacted regarding information for the KBS webpages at jbibel@arg.org Thanks for ARG's hosting the site was offered.
9. Various suggestions, comments, etc.

Meeting closed.