

Agenda for KBS Online Business meeting Helsinki 2021

Friday, 4th June 2019 11:00 – 12:30 hours EEST

Chair: Petra Meier

Minutes: Sandra Kuntsche

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1. Welcome **11.00-11.05**

2. Approvals **11.05-11.10**

Agenda 2021 Approved (Robin Room), second (Justyna Klingemann)

Business meeting minutes 2020 Approved (Robin Room), second (Henk Garretsen)

4. Helsinki symposium report **11.10-11.15**

46th symposium finished last night with about 126 papers and 200 participants, 169 paid, 11 scholarships and overall, about 25 countries represented. Online conference was a success based on feedback from participants. The program planning was appreciated, and the organizers highlight the importance of finding a good fit between discussant and presenters and put together the right set of presentations. Time zones were a challenge. Currently there is a surplus but final budget needs to be finalized and the organizers will see if they can refund KBS.

5. Next year Symposium: Warsaw, 30 May -3 June 2022 **11.15-11.20**

Justyna Klingemann presents next year's hosting city and venue. A central venue was chosen and there are cheaper accommodation options around the conference hotel. Conference costs will be around 300 Euros for members and 350 Euros for others. Partial and full scholarships will be made available. Welcome reception will be hosted in the Warsaw Castle and the venue for the social dinner as well as ideas for the social tours are presented.

6. Update on future symposia 2023/24 **11.20-11.30**

- a. North Carolina, USA (Kate Karriker-Jaffe: KKJ)
- b. Johannesburg, South Africa (Neo Morojele)

a) Host organization would be RTI international experienced in organizing conferences. Funding would be requested from NIH and NIAAA. Nonstop international flights to Paris, London and many North American cities. Conference facilities can host not only up to 300 in the auditorium but there are options for breakout rooms. Accommodation is available and cultural and natural experiences are presented.

Questions: 94% approval, 6% abstaining. KKJ asks about flexibility in dates as there are parallel holidays and other conferences. Kim Bloomfield suggests to also take European holidays into account.

b) 3- 7 of June but it will be cold so up for discussion. Great connection around the world with direct flights. Two self-contained venues were identified as potential hosting venues with both having cheaper accommodation close by. Dinner options were also sought, and three options are available. The mayor's office already gave support and will facilitate the welcome, transport and dinner. Social tours were explored.

Questions: Appraisal. Questions around the security situation in Johannesburg. This is the reason of the self-contained venues and travel would be escorted, if necessary, as a service from the mayor's office. Organizers also request if there a possibility of changing the dates. Indicative vote as the final will be next year. Accepting the venue 79% acceptance, 18% abstaining. Remark from the membership that all members should be asked not only those attending especially if the plan is to move dates from June to March.

7. Alcohol Industry Conflict of Interest - Proposal for by-law amendment (Petra Meier) **11.30-11.50**

Discussion around employees / representatives from the alcohol industry, not researchers having received funding from the industry. With suggestion to start the process here and charge the COI committee with closing the loopholes in any COI statements in time for the next conference. For the present conference it was impossible to prohibit industry representatives from presenting and or attending.

Attendance is also seen as problematic as preliminary work is shared in the uploaded papers and presentations, and it could create difficulties to share with industry prior publication.

Three votes are brought forward:

1. Who can be a member, attend and present with two options (cannot or can attend)
2. COI declaration moving from website to by-laws
3. COI Committee to review, police and monitor Col
- 4.

Remark from the membership (Pia Mäkelä) that these changes need to be made in the bylaws to allow refusal of abstracts and or participants as otherwise upload of work should be made available. Wording of the proposed bylaw change is presented to the membership and was circulated previously.

Robin Room favors attendance as KBS are public meetings and putting it in the bylaws will likely make a promise to the membership we may not be able to live up to.

Discussion about whether all science should be open and not behind closed doors, but upload of draft papers should be kept voluntary as usually only 2/3 of papers are uploaded.

Kim Bloomfield supports Robin's suggestions and that industry groups will likely change to counteract the move.

Several members disagree with this opinion as these difficulties need to be overcome because may find it uncomfortable presenting unpublished work when industry is present, KBS may lose parts of the membership.

Vote results (43 attendees)

- By law option 8a industry not attending on top of not being eligible to be a member or present: 80% in favor, 10% No, 10% abstain. Given the clear vote we will not vote on b (attending)
- By law 9 requires COI Declarations: 95% in favor
- By law 10 establishes a COI committee to advise and monitor: 92% in favor and 8% abstain

Working group is formed consisting of Peter Miller, Niamh Fitzgerald, Taisia Huckle, Joanna Reynolds.

Petra Meier thanks the group of people who have contributed to this change in bylaws and surrounding discussions.

8. Brief reports

11.50-12.15

- Treasurer's report & growth of membership (Elin Bye)

5780 Euros in Membership fees with a balance of Euro 34'240 but KBS currently has only 130 members (including 19 new members)

-- O-J Skog award committee (Taisia Huckle)

Committee is thanked and a call for new members goes out as Taisia Huckle is leaving as the chair and the committee needs new members.

This year's submission included 11 applications (10 from high income countries). Sarah Callinan and Giovanni Aresi volunteered for the committee., Michael Livingston and Gillian Shorter express interest.

-- KBS Elections 2021 (Florian Labhart)

Election committee consisted of Sawitri Assanangkornchai, Henk Garretsen and Florian Labhart. 130 members received the ballot and 81 completed (62%)

Results:

- President elect: Justyna Klingemann
- Vice President: Neo Morojele
- CoCom members: Surasak Chaiyasong, Pia Mäkelä, Catherine Paradis, Gillian Shorter

-- Website and Social Media (WSM) Working Group (needs volunteers!)

Petra Meier will email out a list of committee options and this will be part of it.

-- Webmaster (nothing to report)

-- New KBS award (Robin Room/Neo Morojele)

Neo Morojele acted as chair, Robin Room and Guilherme Borges were remaining members and Franca Beccaria and Kate Graham will join next year

9. IJADR (Anne-Marie Laslett/Neo Morojele)

12.15-12.25

Anne-Marie Laslett presents the current situation of the Journal and the proposed changes to the bylaws.

By-law 20 to make IJADR the official journal of the society

By-law 21 low and middle income, ECR researcher fees would be covered by KBS in the context of an allotment of funds to be decided by the CoCom

Discussion whether this will be an indicative vote and the vote will be presented to the larger membership or not. Robin Room explains that the business meeting is the location for making definite decisions.

There are questions regarding the definite sum requested and whether ECR / LAMI country support could be limited to members. Anne-Marie Laslett sees it as general support, not support to the KBS membership only.

After discussion, the amount was left open to accommodate the different financial situation of the society. The operationalisation and deciding on set amount or what we can afford year on year will sit with the Co-com.

Vote results (36 attendees at the time)

- By-law 20: 84% in favour, 10% no, 6% abstain
- By-law 21: 6% abstain, 81% in favour and 13% no

10. Past and proposed thematic meetings**12.25-12.30**

Options around COVID-19 and Youth Drinking are discussed. There was no thematic meeting in 2021.

Niamh Fitzgerald proposes a meeting around community and local government in 18 to 24 months' time but asks for support from other interested people (beyond the UK). She is asked to send out a NOI to the membership.

11. Any other business

Kim Bloomfield raised concerns about the new KBS award and will contact CoCom about this.

12. Thank you and farewell