Minutes of IC meetings held in Athens, Greece on 11 to 18 September 2004

In attendance

Donald Piele (United States) - Chairman

Ha-Jine Kimn Chairman IOI 2002

Jari Koivisto - Chairman IOI 2001

Krzysztof Diks (Poland) - Chairman IOI 2005

Arturo Cepeda (Mexico).- Chairman IOI2006

Ivo Separovic (Croatia) - Chairman IOI 2007

Mario Cruz (Colombia) - Elected member 2002/2003/2004

Yasser Abdel Ghany – Elected member 2003/2004/2005 Wolfgang Pohl – Elected member 2004/2005/2006

Lionel Hartmann - Executive Director

- 1.0 The Chairman welcomed members of IC to the meeting. There were no observers.
- 2.0 Apologies

All members of IC were in attendance and no apologies were due.

- 3.0 Minutes of the meetings held in Athens from 19 to 20 March 2004 having been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and approved as true and correct.
- 4.0 <u>Matters arising from the minutes</u>
 - 4.1 Lionel Hartmann reported on a proposal received from Andrew Morris for a publication on IOI. Andrew has been battling to get information for the publication and this is holding up progress.
 - 4.2 Lionel reported that he had explored several avenues to establish the legal entity of IOI, without success. IMO are in the same position. We are classified as an association for banking purposes.
 - 4.3 This item will be covered under an item on the Agenda
 - 4.4 Don Piele reported the findings of the sub-committee appointed to review the ED's performance. The review committee consisted of past Chairmen Jari Koivisto, Ha-Jine Kimn and himself. They rated the performance of the ED favourably on all counts except that of Fundraising. It was agreed by them that this activity would no longer be the responsibility of the Executive Director and in view of this had recommended a decrease in monthly salary from \$750.00 to \$600.00
 - 4.5 Don Piele reported that no Training material had been posted on the Website.

 After discussion it was agreed that Krzysztof would make available some material.

 Action KD

Jari and Jyrki would also research what was available.

Action LH

Don would have links with the USACO site installed.

Action

DP

- 4.6 IOI documentation was translated into Spanish, French, Bulgarian and Indonesian and posted on the Website. ED Lionel had sent a message of appreciation to those who had assisted.
- 4.7 Don Piele confirmed that minutes of GA and IC had been posted on the Website.

5.0 Chairman's Report

Chairman Don Piele delivered his report and highlighted a proposal received from France and Australia regarding the competition rules. It was agreed to refer this item to the informal GA meeting and depending on the outcome, it could be considered by GA.

6.0 Report by the Executive Director

- 6.1 ED Lionel tabled his activity report for the year ended 30 June 2004.

 The report had been circulated in advance and was approved.
- 6.2 The Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2004 were presented. As at 30 June 2004

There was a total cash balance of \$37137. IC approved the acceptance of the Financial Statements and agreed to them being signed by the Chairman.

6.3 An amount of \$360.00 to cover Administration expenses incurred by the office of the Executive

Director were approved.

6.4 After discussion and amendments the budget for 2004/ 5 was approved. A Registration fee of

US\$ 300.00 for 2004/05 was approved and would be recommended to GA. This budget was

not accepted by GA and an amended budget (attached) was subsequently approved.

7.0 Amendments to Rules and Regulations

7.1 Don Piele introduced the debate on a proposal received from Ireland to create a position of IOI

President. The proposal was discussed at length by members of IC. IC took no position on the proposal and agreed that it be referred to the informal GA. Arising out of this informal meeting it appeared that there was support from GA. As a result IC prepared a compromise proposal, which was presented and accepted by GA

7.2 Wolfgang Pohl led discussion on his proposal to scrap the Board of Patrons and after discussion

it was agreed to maintain the current position.

7.3 ED Lionel Hartmann proposed that the document embodying all our Statutes, Explications and

Appendices be referred to as the "Constitution" in future. It was agreed to retain the current description of Regulations.

- 7 8.0 Report by host/s
- 8.1 Spyros Bakoyiannis

Spyros reported on the current status of IOI2004 in respect of Finances. 95% Of support had

come from the Public Sector with the balance from the private sector. Security had been a major part of the costs as all guests, contestants and leaders had to be accompanied by security officers at all times. There were 77 countries participating with one observer. There were 6 girls participating.

8.2 Krzysztof Diks delivered a report on the plans for IOI 2005 in Poland. The proposed dates are

18 to 25 August 2005 in Nowy Sacs. Arrivals would be in Krakow with transport being provided

from there. Airport is well served by International airlines. Financial support has been promised

from several quarters.

IC meetings will take place from 20 to 24 April 2005.

8.3 Arturo Cepeda – Chairman of IOI 2006 in Mexico submitted a written report and distributed a

CD promoting the attractions of the area. Dates for IOI2006 are 16 to 23 September 2006.

Financial support seems positive with the Ministry of Education agreeing to purchase

computers after IOI for use in schools. Budget is \$900000.

8.4 Ivo Separovic – Chairman of IOI 2007 in Croatia delivered a written report and also supplied a

letter of support from the Central Government office for e-Croatia. The main patron is the

Government of Croatia and at this stage several of the organizing and technical committees

have been set up. The competition will be held at the University of Dubrovnik.

9.0 <u>Potential future hosts.</u>

A proposal to host IOI 2008 had been received from Egypt. After discussion the IC approved the proposal. Letters of intent had been received from China Taipei and Bulgaria to host 2009.

There has also been a verbal intimation for 2010 from Singapore.

10.0 Report of ISC

10.1 Jyrki Nummenmaa delivered his progress report on the workings of the ITWG and the ISC

which he chaired in the absence of Tom Verhoeff. Copy of the document containing his report is

attached. Tom Verhoeff also submitted a private report, which was noted by IC.

10.2 Jyrki also reported on progress with the IOI database project which is also covered in the

attached document.

11.0 General

11.1 Discussion took place on the way forward for the Awards and Recognition programme. It was

agreed that the three past Chairmen (Don Piele, Ha-Jine Kimn and Spyros Bakogiannis) would

drive the initiative to identify potential candidates. Names would be submitted to the IC meeting

in April 2005 for consideration. They would also obtain brief backgrounds and photographs of

potential candidates.

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DP/HK/SB

11.2 It was agreed that the Awards and Recognition programme and criteria should be included in the

Regulations. Action LH

11.3 Wolfgang Pohl submitted proposals for development projects, which could be tackled by IOI.

He presented a list of possible topics, which could be covered in such workshops. He would

prepare a concept document for one or two such workshops. During IOI Wolfgang participated

in a discussion with interested parties and tested some of his ideas. An amount was set aside

in the Budget for these workshops during 2004/05.

Action WP

11.4 Members of IC felt that the organization should be in control of its records and documents. The

ED was asked to investigate the possibility of outsourcing these functions to someone under the

supervision and control of Tom Verhoeff. IC required a Budget and once approved this function

would no longer be treated as a voluntary activity. A contract would be entered into with Tom

to guarantee delivery. Tom indicated that he did not require financial assistance for this

function. He would continue to provide the service to IOI.

11.5 Jari agreed to make available a document prepared detailing the process involved in organizing

an IOI. This would be sent to the ED.

Action LH

11.6 The Chairman expressed his thanks and appreciation on behalf of IC to outgoing IC members

Jari Koivisto and Mario Cruz. They had both served IOI and IC for many years and their inputs would be missed.

11.7 New IC member Ricardo Anido was not able attend the IC meeting. Yasser Abdel Ghany would

be the representative for Egypt on IC.

12.0 Dates of next IC meetings

 $\,$ It was agreed that the next IC meetings would take place in Poland from 20 to 24 $\,$ April $\,$ 2005

13.0 Closure

The Chairman thanked all members for their contribution to the meetings.

There being no further business the meetings of IC was declared closed.