

Minutes IPS General Business Meeting, Berkeley, 2022

1.15pm Saturday August 15th

The meeting was chaired by the Secretary: Allison McKendrick.

Board positions

The following positions retired at this meeting and were thanked for their service:

- David (Ted) Garway-Heath, Vice-President
- Mitch Dul, Treasurer
- Fritz Dannheim, Chair of Awards Committee

A vote was obtained for the following new appointments that were adopted by the membership:

- Mitch Dul, Vice-President
- Lyne Racette, Treasurer
- Giovanni Montesano, Member at Large
- Hiroki Nomoto, Member at Large

It was noted that Ryo Asaoka was appointed as the Chair of the Awards Committee at the IPS Board Meeting held on Weds August 10th, as this position is a board appointed position.

The following items arising from the IPS Board meeting held on 10th August 2022 were tabled and discussed:

Secretary's report

The Secretary reported that the IPS has received and processed 22 new applications for membership since the Kanazawa meeting. Due to the cancellation of the meeting in 2020, and then 2021 (COVID-19), membership applications were received in blocks prior to each of the scheduled but then cancelled symposium.

For the Berkeley meeting, a total of 53 abstracts were received. Reviewing of the abstracts was conducted by 14 reviewers who each scored between 6-7 abstracts. All abstracts were reviewed by two people and a cumulative score given. All abstracts were deemed of acceptable standard for presentation at the meeting. The score contributed to ranking for prizes and travel awards.

The annual call for dues was sent in November 2021. Uptake was slow, presumably due to uncertainty regarding the state of the COVID-19 pandemic and whether the 2022 Symposium would go ahead. The membership database has 191 contactable members

Treasurer's report

The summary position of the society at the time of the meeting is a balance of \$US 91,500, which is similar to the average balance over the past 8 years. Since the last meeting, annual dues were moved to PayPal from RegOnline, which has been a simpler system with fewer

issues. The society will investigate the pros and cons of becoming a registered “not for profit” organisation in the USA.

Travel grants and Heidelberg Award

There were 13 applications for travel grants and 8 awardees. Travel grants were assessed by the awards committee: Paul Artes, Lyne Racette, Ryo Asaoka, Andrew Turpin according to prescribed criteria. Scoring is a composite of the “travel grant score” and the “abstract score”. There were 13 grants received. Originally 8 grants were awarded, however, 4 of the applicants were unable to physically attend the meeting due to visa issues/COVID restrictions etc. Consequently, additional travel awards were awarded close to the meeting.

Final awardees: Riccardo Cheloni, Aoife Hunter, Bethany Higgins, Takashi Nishida, Stephen Kelly, Alireza Kamalipour, Peter Reddingius, Akihiko Sugino

Seven applications have been received for the Heidelberg Engineering Award. Selection occurs post presentations at the meeting, to be awarded at the final banquet.

Visibility of the IPS

Members were encouraged to do their best to improve the visibility of the IPS. All members were encouraged to participate as advocates for the society, in particular in regard to ongoing promotion of the next meeting at local events in their home country. The concept of a “History of the IPS” section on the website was promoted to members, with a request to send in information once a format has been provided.

Open Perimetry Initiative

It was reported that the OPI is being used by over 22 different sites internationally, with increasing uptake from industry partners, and development of the VisualFieldsPackage. The Open Perimetry Interface is implemented on the following devices: Haag-Streit Octopus 900 and 0600, Kowa AP7000, Compass Perimeter, imoVifa (coming soon). Ongoing discussions are occurring with several other industry partners.

An OPI webinar was held during the pandemic via Zoom with 54 registrants, 9 presentations by OPI users, breakout room discussions, OPI tutorial, visualfields tutorial. Videos demonstrating the OPI are available on youtube.

Voting for Honorary members

The following honorary members were proposed:

- Dr Fritz Dannheim: founding member of IPS, attendee at all meetings until 2022, long-standing IPS Board member including terms as Treasurer and Awards Committee Chair.

There was a consensus to adopt this nomination. A invitation will be sent via the Secretary.

2024 meeting Cardiff, UK

The 2024 meeting will be held in Cardiff, Wales, hosted by Tony Redmond and colleagues. Proposed dates are early August 2024.

2026 meeting Switzerland.

A bid to host the 2026 meeting in Switzerland has been received from Dr Mario Zulauf. A brief proposal was presented and general support for the meeting location was received.