

Minutes IPS General Business Meeting, Kanazawa, 2018

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
- Aiko Iwase, Vice-President
- Allison McKendrick, Secretary

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

- David (Ted) Garway-Heath, Vice-President (second 4 year term)
- Aiko Iwase, Vice-President (second 4 year term)
- Allison McKendrick, Secretary (second 4 year term)

The following items arising from the IPS Board meeting held on 9th May 2018 were tabled and discussed:

Secretary's report

Prof McKendrick reported that the IPS has received and processed 17 new applications for membership since the Udine meeting.

For the Kanazawa meeting 64 abstracts were received: 29 poster preferred; 33 oral preferred, 2 no preference. Reviewing of the abstracts was conducted by 18 reviewers who each scored between 6-7 abstracts. All abstracts were reviewed by 2 people and a cumulative score given. Only 1 abstract was not deemed suitable for presentation. The score did not influence the allocation of oral versus poster presentation, however, contributed to ranking for prizes and travel awards.

At time of abstract processing, there were 58 active members with paid dues. The IPS has another mailing list of approximately 100 members with unpaid dues. It was noted that a significant differential between the number of active paid members and listed members has been ongoing for the history of the IPS.

Treasurer's report

The summary position of the society at the time of the meeting is a balance of \$US 96,000, which is a slight increase on the \$US 92,520 at the last board meeting (September 27th, 2016). The payment of travel grants for the 2018 Kanazawa meeting was not included in this balance position. Aside from membership dues income and travel grant expenditure, the other main expenses since the last board meeting include the purchase of the website domain name (5 years) and payment to the web designer (Jessica Bramow).

Travel grants and Heidelberg Award

There were 7 applications for the 6 travel grants. The travel grants were assessed by the Awards Committee (chaired by Dr Fritz Dannheim). The awardees were Serife Kucur (Bern, Switzerland), Mark Christopher (San Diego, USA), Muen Yang (New York, USA), Catarina Joao (Netherlands), Luca Torres (Dalhousie, Canada), Melissa Wright (Cardiff, UK). Six applications were received for the Heidelberg Engineering Award.

Revision of constitution

A vote was taken to modernise the language of the IPS constitution and amend to reflect the current practice of the organisation. The draft edits to the constitution were sent to members on March 12th 2018. The revised constitution was agreed to be adopted.

Visibility of the IPS

Members were encouraged to do their best to improve the visibility of the IPS. The new website was seen as a key enabler for this effort. 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.

Open Perimetry Initiative

It was reported that the OPI is being used by over 20 different sites internationally, with increasing uptake from industry partners in the past 2 years since the last meeting. The Open Perimetry Interface is now implemented on the following devices: Haag-Streit Octopus 900 and 0600, Kowa AP7000, Heidelberg Edge Perimeter, and Compass Perimeter. Ongoing discussions are occurring with several other industry partners.

Voting for Honorary members

The following honorary members were proposed:

- Dr Richard Mills: IPS Secretary from 1990-1996, IPS Treasurer from 2000-2004, Local host of the meeting in Washington in 1994
- Prof William Hart: Member IPS board from 1992-2002; Actively involved in first computer graphics perimeters and in the exploration of colour perimetry

- Prof Kazutaka Kani. Local organising committee, 1992 Kyoto meeting; Local organising committee 2008 Nara meeting, has attended every IPS meeting since inception.

There was a consensus to adopt these nominations. Invitations will be sent via the Secretary, signed by the President and Vice Presidents.

2020 meeting Berkeley, California, USA

The 2020 meeting will be held in Berkeley, California hosted by Prof John Flanagan and Prof Linda Zangwill. Proposed dates are from 19-22nd August, 2020.

2022 meeting England

A bid to host the 2022 meeting in England has been received from Dr Tony Redmond and Dr Jonathan Denniss. A brief proposal was presented by Dr Tony Redmond and general support for the meeting location was received.

Posters at IPS meetings

There was a general discussion regarding the variation in format for the poster sessions at recent IPS meetings leading to confusion for delegates and inconsistent experiences. A motion was proposed and carried that the Program Committee puts together a series of general principles for the poster sessions that future meetings will try to adhere to as close as possible.