

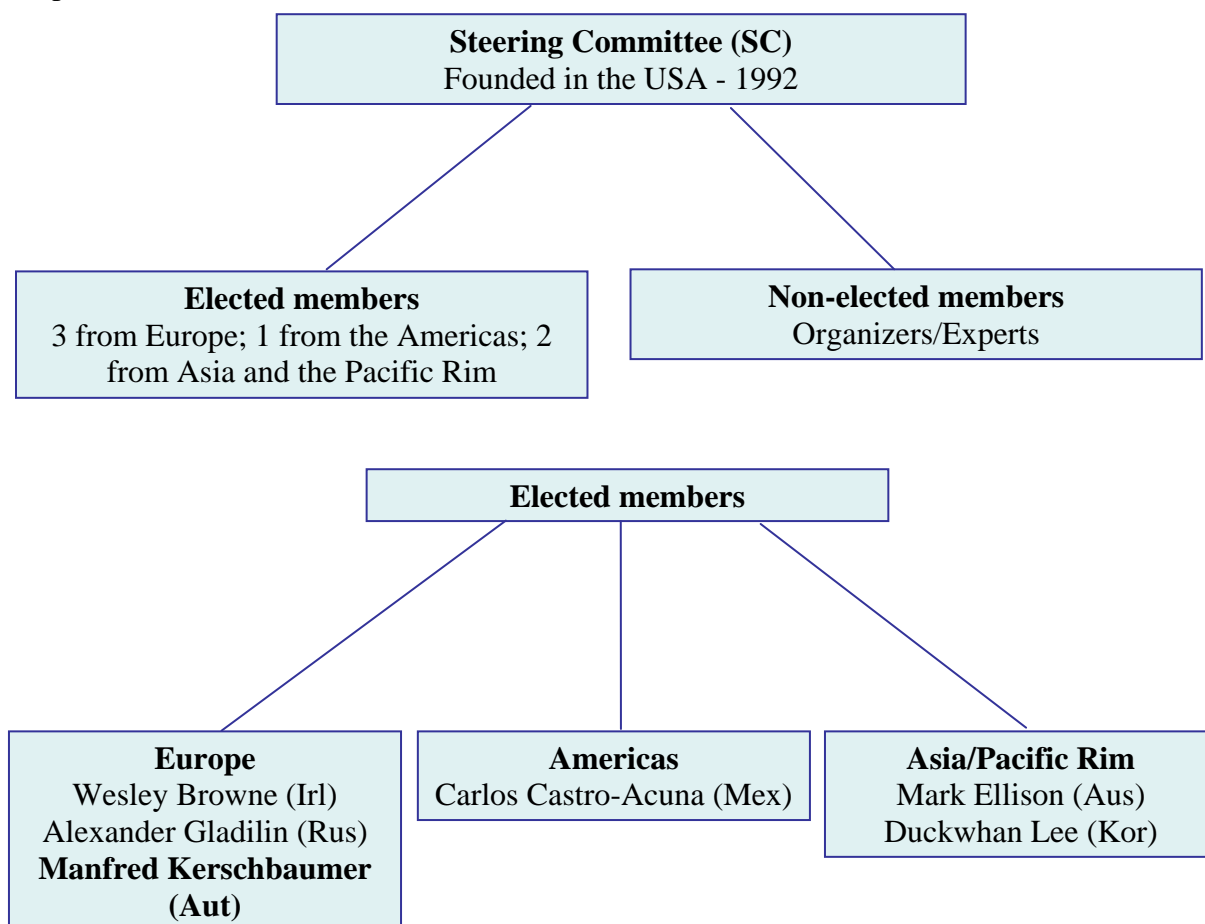


MINUTES

of the BUSINESS PART of the 1st JURY SESSION at the 40th ICHO/BUDAPEST

1. Introduction of the SC-members and description of the role of the SC and experts

Dr. Kerschbaumer introduces the members of the Steering Committee to the International Jury. Additionally he describes the role of the Steering Committee, especially the work of the “experts”.



Role of the SC :

- to collect information about problems in the ICHO,
- to try to find solutions for these problems,
- to help the future hosts to organize the competition,
- to handle and to conduct business sessions in the ICHO,
- to decide about the IUPAC-support.
- Experts: people who contribute to and help in the organisation of ICHOs due to their experience as long time participating mentors or former hosts.

„Time table“ of the SC :

- Constitution of the new SC after elections in one of the business sessions of the International Jury
- New SC elects its chairman and decides about the experts
- December meeting at the site of the upcoming ICHO
- Whole time: intense communication via email between the SC-members
- Meeting at the next ICHO

Comment from The Netherlands: If somebody is not elected and appears afterwards as an expert, why should there be an election at all.

Reply from András Kotschy (Hun): Electing should be for not against somebody. The SC elects and nominates the experts, not the International Jury.

2. Rearranged syllabus:

Gabor Magyarfalvi will present and discuss the rearranged syllabus in the third jury meeting. The draft version was sent out with the prep-problems.

3. Honesty issues - Moscow/Budapest:

- Severe indication of cheating in the theoretical competition in Moscow by one country ⇒
- The mentors of the particular country were offered 0 points in the theoretical part, they accepted.
- There is no regulation for consequences in the case of breaking rules for future Olympiads, so the country in question was invited to Hungary.
- The SC decided in December to ask the country urgently not to send any of the persons involved in 2007 (mentors, observers, students).
- Another consequence: “Awareness of regulations...”, which every student had to sign.
- Manfred Kerschbaumer reminds all delegations to § 11, section 7 of the regulations, and makes clear that the organizer of the 40th ICHO and the SC will apply respective consequences to cheating countries and the persons involved.

3. Agenda for the Business Session (3rd Jury session) of the IChO (draft):

- Election of new SC-members: two from Europe, one from the Americas (proposals!)
- Schedule for arbitration
- Detailed information and voting on the acceptance of the restructured syllabus
- Proposal and voting about changing the participation fee
- Action to include a point in the regulations about safety

4. Agenda for the 4th jury meeting (draft):

- Report on the IUPAC support
- Allocation of the medals
- Presentations by future hosts
- Introduction of the new SC
- Miscellaneous: statements and suggestions

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