## IASMIRT BOARD MEETING The Westin Charlotte, Charlotte, NC, USA Friday/Saturday February 9/10, 2018

#### 1. Call to Order

G-CP called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. The attendance was as follows (see attachment 1):

Goon-Cherl Park (G-CP) President IASMiRT

Rainer Gillot (RG) Custodian of the Statutes

Vernon Matzen (VCM) Advisor General

Bernd Klüver (BK) Deputizing for Astrid Petersen, Vice President and

Secretary; not eligible for voting

Abhinav Gupta (AG) Chairman SMiRT25 and President Elect

David Shepherd (DS) Treasurer

Ajaya Gupta (AKG) Permanent Member of AB

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda issued in advance of the meeting was approved with minor changes and the agenda items are reflected in these notes.

## 3. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting August 2017

The minutes of the Board meeting in Busan were signed by G-CP and DS during the meeting.

The minutes will be archived at the IASMiRT website.

Action 1: DS

It was stated at this time that the password for the Board login in the IASMiRT website should be changed on a regular basis.

Action 2: VCM/AG

#### 4. Review of Action Items

Al 1: Detailed report on SMiRT 24:

G-CP gave a report on SMiRT 24 including the number of participants (521 from 28 countries), the number of presented papers (439) and the number of sessions (86 technical, 18 special and 2 state of the art). The Jaeger Prize has been substituted by the Jaeger Lecture.

As decided in Busan there will be only one Special Publication with NED. Other publications are possible but will not run under special publications. G-CP will verify that only the NED Special Publication is planned and realized by the SMiRT 24 ISC.

Action 3: G-CP

G-CP reports about the time schedule for the Special Publication of approximately 50 papers. It is intended to present a good diversity of selected papers and have a transparent selection process. An update of the selection process is necessary.

Action 4: G-CP

The list of the 75 preliminarily selected papers should be provided to the Board members.

**Action 5: G-CP** 

Discussions of financial matters were deferred to a future conference call.

Adjourn meeting: 5:00 pm

Restart meeting: Feb. 10, 8:30 am

- Al 2: Not in the scope of this meeting.
- Al 3: Update of Conference Manual (here: Meeting with Division Coordinators) This point was incorporated.
- Al 4: Change of download of German statutes from pdf to html No action needed, opening of Al was result of browser incompatibility.
- Al 5: Letters to the AB members (re-appointments respectively ending; draft letter)

  Completed.
- Al 6: Update of IASMiRT website of the AB after changes have been promulgated to the individuals Completed.
- Al 7: Search for best candidates for invitation to AB to individuals from China Completed.
- Al 8: Guidance on reservations for Feb. 2018 Board Meeting Completed.
  - Al 9: Confirmation on dates for the Planning Meeting 2018 in Raleigh, NCSU (Oct. 24-26, 2018)

Reservations have been made for Oct. 24 through 26. The Planning and Board meetings will be held Oct. 25/26. This leaves time for a possible technical meeting on Oct. 24 but is not decided yet.

Al 10: Investigation in registering the name IASMiRT This action item is open.

## 5. Submission of the Minutes of the General Assembly

The minutes of the GA in Busan were properly signed and submitted to the district court in Berlin.

## **6. Report of the Secretary** Nothing to report.

#### 7. Report of the Treasurer

IASMiRT was dissolved in Germany at the end of 2017. As a consequence, any financial assets remaining after all creditors have been paid will become the property of the University in Berlin.

Therefore, unless imminent discussions with legal authorities in Germany show otherwise, it is not possible for the Treasurer to authorize payment from any of the three associated bank accounts except for expenditure directly related to closing IASMIRT in Germany. Payments that can be authorized include:

- Travel and subsistence expenses for Board members attending the Board meeting in Charlotte in February 2018, since that meeting is essential to the business of dissolving the organization in Berlin.
- Legal costs arising from the work authorized during the Board meeting in Charlotte to ensure proper management of the closure of business in Berlin
- Outstanding invoices from creditors for work authorized up to the end of 2017, including NCSU for work related to maintaining the IASMiRT website and managing abstracts and archives etc.

Following on from the dissolution, depending on advice from legal authorities in Germany and USA, the Board may wish to pass a resolution waiving all fees otherwise due from the SMiRT 24 conference. In addition the Board should note that no fees are expected from the SMiRT 25 and SMiRT 26 and subsequent conferences since they are scheduled to take place well beyond the date of dissolution of IASMiRT in Germany.

#### 8. Report of the Advisor General

Nothing to report.

### 9. Update of the Membership List

Nothing to report.

#### 10. Update on Website

The IASMiRT website was under extensive maintenance in 2017; furthermore, the SMiRT 23 proceedings are now available.

# 11. Legal IASMiRT Matters (signing of a letter to Berlin announcing new Board / dissolution of German association)

The Berlin district court accepted the letter of dissolution of IASMiRT. As of December 31, 2017, the dissolution of IASMiRT is in effect. IASMiRT is now in the stage of liquidation. The next letter to the district court has to be sent in January 2019; that letter needs two signatures signed in front of an attorney and an apostille.

Further steps during the dissolution of IASMiRT were discussed (see also agenda item 7). It was decided to involve a German lawyer competent with nonprofit organizations. Based on the confident questions included in attachment 2 Bob Saunders will be asked to name a German lawyer connected with Brooks Pierce, unless anyone from the Board can provide a respective specialist. After that a conference call (Board, German lawyer, Bob Saunders) will be set up to discuss the legal advice given and the next steps.

Action 6: VCM/RG

Signed A Petersen

The Board authorizes expenditures of up to \$ 3,000.- each in Germany and the US to take the above decided legal steps.

#### 12. Statutes and Bylaws

Nothing to report.

#### 13. Archival Matters

Nothing to report.

#### 14. Miscellaneous

Nothing to report.

## 15. Adjourn

The meeting was closed at 3:00 pm.

"Signed G-C Park

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