

Date: September 17, 2008
From: Gary L. Messing, Secretary-Treasurer
To: Akio Makishima, President

Minutes of the ICF Council meeting held in Verona, Italy, July 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Nicola Babini, The agenda, as approved by the Executive Committee, is attached as Appendix A. A list of the official representatives and those attending is attached as Appendix B.

Dr. Alida Bellosi, Chair of ICC-2 gave a brief report about ICC-2. There were 900 participants from 62 countries with 150 students in attendance. See the program for technical details about the meeting.

Dr. Koichi Niihara, Chair of ICC-3 announced the meeting will be held in Osaka, Japan from Nov 14-18, 2010 and will incorporate the 23rd fall meeting of the Ceramic Society of Japan and the 20th Iketani Conference. See www.ceramic.or.jp/icc3 for details

Dr. Nicola Babini reviewed the agenda but because of time constraints it was not followed in order. He encouraged the attendees to continue with the road-mapping activities at the meeting. He also reviewed the annual President's Report which summarizes the renewal of ICF. (to be posted in the web)

Dr. Babini introduced Mr. Jose Lepri Neto, Director of the Brazilian Ceramic Society as new applicant for membership in ICF. The application was approved unanimously.

Dr. Gary Messing requested attendees make corrections on the list of Representatives. The corrections are reflected in Appendix B

Dr. Robert Freer, chair of the Nominating Committee (A. Makishima and P. Zannini) reported that the candidates for the position of President-elect and Secretary-Treasurer are Gary Messing and Juergen Heinrich, respectively. Sylvia Johnson motioned and Derek Thompson seconded the motion to affirm the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. The motion passed by a hand vote of 15 yeas and 3 nays. Since this was Robert Freer's last meeting as a member of the Executive Committee, President Babini thanked him for his many years of service on behalf of ICF.

It was recommended by Paolo Zannini and Nicola Babini that the Executive Committee better represent all of the main countries federated to ICF, and in particular those organizations that are in charge of future ICC congresses.

Gary Messing requested approval of the changes to the Constitution. The changes were approved unanimously (Appendix C). The updated Constitution will be posted on the ICF website.

The reports of the ICF Technical Committees were not discussed but are attached as Appendices D - F. The Executive Committee will meet to discuss approval of new technical committees either by phone or at its Jan 18, 2009 Daytona Beach meeting.

The ICF website has been reorganized by the Ceramics Society of Japan. See the new website at www.cersj.org/icf/index.html.

Secretary-treasurer Messing reports that ICF has \$3,000 in the bank.

The meeting adjourned without finishing the agenda because we had to leave the building at a set time.

The next meeting of ICF Council will be held during PacRim 8 in the afternoon of June 4, 2009 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.