

INTERNATIONAL CERAMIC FEDERATION

Minutes, Board Meeting
 11:00 AM-12:30 PM, 1 May 1991
 Omni Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio USA

Professor McLaren called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. The first order of business was the report of the Nominating Committee. Michael Sayer moved, and J. Martin Ruiz seconded the election of the following Executive Committee:

R. Metselaar	President
H. Hausner	President-Elect
J. Lowe	Vice President
R. Bowman	Vice President - Finance
D. Niesz	Secretary
M. McLaren	Past President - Ex officio for 3 years
P. Vincenzini	Academy of Ceramics

Additionally, the following Committee members were re-elected.

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At this point Professor Metselaar, newly appointed President, took over the Chair.

The continuing committees are:

B. Ben-Nissan	International Meetings and Listings of Professional Societies/Officers
H. Hausner	Research
N. Soga	Nomenclature
C. Frahme	Education-Workshops
S. Schneider	Standardization
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C. Palmonari	Traditional Ceramics

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The outgoing Secretary, Professor Bowman, wished to include in the minutes the following pertinent comments:

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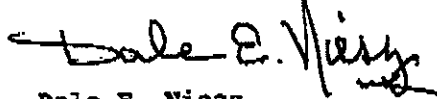
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As requested, I have started to revise both the Constitution and our By-Laws. I look forward to distributing copies for comment soon."

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There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Dale E. Niesz
Secretary

ATTENDANCE - BOARD MEETING
INTERNATIONAL CERAMIC FEDERATION

11:00 AM-12:30 PM - 1 May 1991
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ATTENDING	REPRESENTING
1. Wei-Ying Sun	Prof. T.S. Yen, China
2. W. R. Prindle	American Ceramic Society
3. George MacZura	American Ceramic Society
4. George Gotz	Silicate Society Czechoslovakia
5. Richard Bowman	Australasian Ceramic Society
6. Carlo Palmonari	Italian Ceramic Society
7. G. N. Babini	Italian Ceramic Society
8. N. A. Stone	South African Ceramic Society
9. Lynn Moore	American Ceramic Society
10. You Song Kim	Korean Ceramic Society-RIST
11. William Rhodes	American Ceramic Society
12. Dale E. Niesz	Center for Ceramic Research- Rutgers University
13. W. Paul Holbrook	American Ceramic Society
14. J. Martin Ruiz	Sociedad Mexicana de Ceramica, A.C.
15. Michael Sayer	Canadian Ceramic Society
16. Sung Do Jang	Korean Ceramic Society
17. Noboru Ichinose	Ceramic Society of Japan
18. Robert Enoch	Resco Products
19. William H. Payne	Ceramic Devices, Inc.
20. Pietro Vincenzini	Academy of Ceramics
21. Rudi Metselaar	Eindhoven University of Technology
22. Malcolm G. McLaren	Institute for Engineered Materials, Rutgers University

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ATTENDANCE
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Executive Committee Meeting
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1. Richard Bowman
2. C. Robert Enoch
3. Hans Hausner
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5. Christine A. Langton
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13. Dennis Readey
14. Thomas Reynolds
15. William Robbins
16. Edwin Ruh
17. J. Martin Ruiz
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19. Richard Spriggs
20. Nigel A. Stone



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23 May 1991

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Dear Rudi,

Many thanks for your letter of 6 May. I have prepared the accompanying **draft** minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on April 28. As I arrived slightly late for the Council meeting on May 1, Dale Niesz agreed to prepare the minutes for that meeting. However I hope that I can address your concerns.

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Executive Committee Meeting
Yokohama Pacifico Convention Center
Yokohama, Japan

Friday, 18 October 1991

President Metselaar called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M., a list of attendees is attached.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 28 April 1991 in Cincinnati, Ohio (USA) and the minutes of the Board meeting held on 1 May 1991 at the same location were both approved.

Report of Research Committee

Professor Hausner (Committee Chair) presented the report of the Research Committee. The recommended plan is to ask each member organization to collect information in their country and forward it to the research committee on a computer disc. The research committee will combine the information with data from all other countries and provide a computer disc containing all of the information to each member organization. Member organization will be responsible for collecting the information within their country and for disseminating the information from the overall survey within their countries. The reporting format has been modified based on discussions at our last meeting and now includes categories for traditional ceramics. Professor Hausner plans to test the system by making a test run in Germany before our February meeting in Toronto.

Reply to: Professor Dale E. Niesz, Center for Ceramic Research, Rutgers University, P.O. Box 909, Piscataway, NJ 08855-0909 USA
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of Electrical Engineers and the American Chemical Society, respectively. The question of fund raising was discussed, and it was agreed that funds should not be sought from companies. However, it was felt that member societies, individuals and foundations would probably provide the required funds. It was agreed that member societies should be asked to provide lists of potential patrons. Professor Kingery will provide (to the secretary) a one page write-up describing his recommendation. The write-up will be sent along with the request for a list of potential patrons to each member society.

Report of Committee on Traditional Ceramics

Professor Palmonari provided an excellent written report which the Executive Committee accepted. President Metselaar will write to Professor Palmonari to thank him for his excellent report and tell him that the Executive Committee accepted the report and that the Research Committee has added categories to their reporting format to cover traditional ceramics. He will also report that the Executive Committee agrees that traditional ceramics are important. President Metselaar will also ask Professor Palmonari to chair our committee on traditional ceramics.

Report of Committee on Protocol for Endorsement of Conferences

Professor Sayer (Committee Chair) provided an excellent written report. Although he was unable to attend the meeting, Professors Hirano and Spriggs, the other two members of the committee, did attend. The discussion centered on whether the proposed protocol could be accomplished in a timely manner. It was agreed that a fast-response form was needed to get early information on the proposed meeting with the detail requested in the proposed request-for-endorsement form to be supplied at a later date. The committee was requested to modify the protocol in accordance with the discussion.

Review of Bylaws

Secretary Niesz reviewed the parts of the bylaws that needed to be changed to bring them in line with the proposed future ICF operation. A list of proposed changes will be provided for discussion at the Executive Committee meeting in Toronto in February.

Inclusion of Central America as a Participating Member

M. McLaren moved that this agenda item be tabled. Dr. Niesz seconded. Motion passed.

ICF and Academy of Ceramics Relationship

Professor McLaren reported that relationships are going well at this time and proceeding as originally planned (refer to minutes of May, 1990, meeting).

ACTION ITEMS

- H. Hausner 1. Make a test run in Germany of the proposed system for selecting and dissemination information on ceramic research.
- D. Niesz 2. Write to members and ask each to appoint a contact person for the Research Committee.
- B. Ben-Nissan 3. Recommend a computerized operations procedure similar to the one proposed by the Research Committee for collecting and up-dating information for an international meeting calendar and for member officers.
- N. Saga 4. Request information from member on available nomenclature compilations and provide a bibliography to members.
- M. McLaren 5. Discuss standardization committee charge with S. Schneider.
- D. Kingery 6. Provide Dr. Niesz with a one-page write-up describing recommended History of Technology Fellowship that can be sent to members by D. Niesz to member societies along with a request for a list of potential patrons.
- D. Niesz 7. Send letter as per 6.
- R. Metselaar 8. Write letter to Palmonari regarding traditional ceramics committee.
- M. Sayer 9. Modify prepared conference endorsement protocol to provide for a fast-response form.
- D. Niesz 10. Provide recommendations for bylaw changes for discussion at the Toronto meeting.
- P. Holbrook 11. Check on cost for printing ICF letterhead in four colors.
- R. Metselaar 12. Respond to request by the Tanzania Ceramic Association's request for ICF membership.
- D. Niesz 13. Prepare a write-up to publicize the ICF and send it to member societies with a request that they publish it or otherwise distribute it to their members.
- P. Holbrook 14. Consider reprinting extra copies of write-up in 13 when it is published in ACerS Bulletin.
- ALL 15. Future Meetings: Executive Committee: Sunday, 16 February, A. M. Toronto, Canada Council: Sunday, 16 February, P.M. Toronto, Canada

(Both of above in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Canadian Ceramic Society 16-18 February).

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INSTITUTE FOR ENGINEERED MATERIALS

March 7, 1991

Dr. P. Vincenzini, Chairman
Academy of Ceramics
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48018 Faenza, Italy

Dear Pietro:

Thank you for your letter of 25 January 1991 enclosing the final translation of the discussion and results of the General Assembly of the Academy of Ceramics relative to the agreement with the ICF. We are very pleased to receive the good news that you agree with us that this makes good sense and that you and I can work out any details. The conditions stipulated by the Academy:

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are noted and agreed to as this was the ICF position also.

You will note the attached meeting schedule of the ICF in Cincinnati and hope you will be able to attend. I had a small meeting at the Canadian Ceramic Society Convention with several of the executive officers of the ICF, and they were also pleased to review your letter.

To establish the interaction I would like you to think about a title for your participation at the ICF meetings.

Please respond by FAX if you can come to Cincinnati.

Best regards,

Mal McLaren

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Dear Prof. McLaren; *Marleau*

many thanks for your Fax of March 7.

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I took note of the Points included
I plan to attend the AcerS meeting but unfortunately I
have not received from ACerS any news regarding information
on the list of Hotels in Cincinnati.

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May you be so kind to Fax me the appropriate forms for inscription and Hotel accommodation.

Prof. R. FARRAR
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The meaning of the last sentence of
your Fax (To establish etc...) is not very clear to me,
would you please explain better.

Prof. G. PETERLIN
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In Cincinnati I would also discuss
with you about the possible agreement of ICF to endorse
the next CIMTEC; although it will take place in June '94,
it is better to define the possible cooperation well in
advance.

Kindest regards.

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Prof. Malcom G. Mac LAREN
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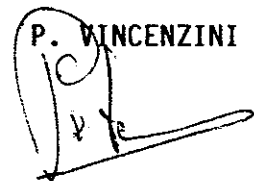
Dear Malcom,

enclosed please find copy of the final traslation of the deli-
beration taken by the General Assembly of the Academy of Ceramics
concerning the proposed agreement with tne International Ceramic
Federation.

I suppose that the difficult international situation creates
you some problems for your planned tour to Europe. Please inform
me if you intend to confirm your plans and meet in Europe, or if
it is better to pospone our meeting until the next ACerS meeting
in Cincinnati. At that time we also could talk about the possi-
ble involvement of ICF in the next CIMTEC.

Please inform me as soon as possible on the above topics,
in order to enable me to make plans for my travel to the US.

Kindest personal regards

P. WINCENZINI


ACADEMY OF CERAMICS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Sassuolo - 9 November 1990

On November 9, 1990, the General Assembly of the Academy of Ceramics met at the Studio Poppi S.p.A. in Sassuolo, Italy. On this occasion, the General Assembly also functioned as the Council of the Academy. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. with the following agenda:

- 1 - Approval of the deliberations taken by the Board of Trustees during the meeting of June 28, 1990 held in Montecatini (Italy) concerning the following:
 - Constitution of the Nominating Committee responsible for proposing new professional members of the Academy of Ceramics
 - Constitution of the Program Committee for the 1st Forum of the Academy to be organized in Italy in June 1992
 - Constitution of the "Ad Hoc Committee" of the International Ceramic Prize 1992
- 2 - Deliberation regarding the length of the term of the Nominating Committee
- 3 - Deliberation concerning the renewal of the present Board of Trustees for the 3-year period 1991-1993
- 4 - Deliberation on the general rules relative to the election of the Members to the Board of Trustees by the Council of the Academy
- 5 - Request for suggestions regarding the acquisition of new Institutional Members of the Academy
- 6 - 1991 dues and admission fees for Membership
- 7 - Miscellaneous

All the Institutional and Individual members were present at the meeting with the exception of the Industrie Bitossi S.p.A., who delegated Ing. Mauro Poppi to represent them.

Dr. Vincenzini, Chairman of the Council served as President of the meeting and Ing. Mauro Poppi acted as Secretary. The President asked for and obtained a modification in the agenda consisting of the insertion as the first point of discussion of a proposal from the International Ceramic Federation (ICF) received by the Academy via Fax on November 8, 1990.

Successively, the President illustrated, one by one, each of the points on the agenda and in turn opened them to discussion. All subsequent deliberations cited here were passed unanimously.

1 - Proposal of the International Ceramics Federation (ICF)
The President informed the Assembly that on the occasion of the 7th CIMTEC - World Ceramics Congress, he was invited by Prof. Malcom G. McLaren, President of the ICF to attend an informal meeting at which, upon the invitation of Prof. McLaren, Prof. H. Hausner, President of the European Ceramic Society and Prof. W.D. Kingery, President of the Board of Trustees of the Academy also participated. On this occasion, Prof. McLaren formulated an invitation, appropriately motivated, to the Academy of Ceramics to consider the possibility of close collaboration with the ICF, which he suggested could take the form of an affiliation of the AC as an independent Class or Division of the ICF. The proposal was favorably received by Prof. Kingery and Prof. Hausner. In expressing appreciation for Prof. McLaren's interest in the Academy of Ceramics, Dr. Vincenzini stated that he personally looked upon the proposal with favor and was completely available to discuss the proposal with the Academy members.

Prof. McLaren also presented the proposal to the Board of Trustees of the Academy of Ceramics, at the June 28 meeting in Montecatini and received their unanimous agreement. At that time, Dr. Vincenzini asked Prof. McLaren to present a formal proposal to the Academy of Ceramics from the IFC.

At a meeting of August 27 in Perth, Australia, the Council of the ICF expressed their agreement with the proposal of Prof. McLaren and delegated Prof. McLaren the responsibility of settling the details in the case that a positive response was received upon deliberation of the proposal by the Academy of Ceramics.

After thorough consideration of the documentation received, with the participation of all those at the meeting, the following resolution was passed:

- The Assembly expresses its maximum favor to the formalization of the agreement proposed by the ICF and delegates Dr. Vincenzini to agree upon the relative provisions with Prof. McLaren, which however must be in agreement with the following conditions:
 - The Academy of Ceramics must remain both structurally and functionally independent from the ICF.
 - The equal standing between the ICF and the Academy of Ceramics must be assured also with respect to the possible presence of the ICF in the Council of the Academy and the presence of the Academy in the Council of the ICF.

2 - Constitution of the International Committees of the Academy

Upon deliberation of the General Assembly, the following three Committees were constituted according to the composition suggested by the Board of Trustees:

Membership Committee

- Dr. W.H. Rhodes, U.S.A. (Chairman)
- Prof. H. Hausner, Germany
- Prof. M.G. McLaren, U.S.A.
- Prof. R. Metselaar, The Netherlands
- Dr. K.D. Reeve, Australia
- Prof. H. Yanagida, Japan
- Prof. T.S. Yen, China
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September 18, 1990

Dr. Pietro Vincenzini
Seventh Cimtec World
Ceramics Congress
P.O. Box 174
48010 Faenza, Italy

Dear Pietro:

I am very pleased to inform you that at the Executive Committee meeting of the International Ceramic Federation in Perth, Australia, 29 August 1990, sponsorship of the Cimtec World Congress on Ceramics and also the International Academy of Ceramics as a class of the ICF were unanimously endorsed. The Executive Committee was very enthusiastic about both of these actions and will look forward to working with you as closely as possible in order to help make the greatest use of these opportunities.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in Cincinnati at the Annual Meeting of the American Ceramic Society, April 28-May 2, 1991. Perhaps you will be able to attend that meeting. Please let us know.

Again, I look forward to working closely with you in these activities, and I hope your Board of the Academy has already approved the association with the ICF.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,



Malcolm G. McLaren
President
International Ceramic Federation

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August 30, 1990

Professor Pietro Vincenzini
International Academy of Ceramics
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Dear Pietro:

First, let me thank you for all the many courtesies extended to me on my recent visit to Italy and the wonderful 7th CIMTEC meeting that you organized. I think that it was a great success, and you are to be congratulated on attracting the many world-recognized ceramic experts that attended and contributed to that meeting. Both Dale Niesz and I were pleased to be included in that program and certainly benefited from it.

Attached to this letter you will find the two proposals we discussed while I was with you in Montecatini Terme. They relate to the inclusion of the International Ceramic Federation (ICF) with the CIMTEC meetings on a four year basis in the future. This would be parallel to the procedure used by the International Commission on Glass. Also, as we discussed, would be the inclusion of the International Academy of Ceramics as a class or division of the ICF. I think our discussions at your Trustees meeting seemed to indicate that this was a possibility. I know that you are having a meeting of your Council in August, and I hope that you will have the opportunity of reviewing these discussions with them at that time and that you will be able to persuade them to adopt our recommendations.

Again, many thanks for your genuine hospitality and thoughtfulness during our stay. Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Malcolm G. McLaren
President
International Ceramic Federation

CC: Executive Committee ICF
D. Kingery

PROPOSAL

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FROM

INTERNATIONAL CERAMIC FEDERATION

Malcolm G. McLaren, President

Institute for Engineered Materials

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AUGUST 1, 1990

On behalf of the International Ceramic Federation (ICF) we are formally requesting to the International Academy of Ceramics that it become a division or class of the ICF in the future. We recognize the leadership and distinction that this Academy has brought to the field of ceramics in the past and wish to include it in the ICF based on the globalization that we think that ICF has recently brought to this field. In our opinion they are a natural melding of the paths of both of the organizations. The ICF would not intend to regulate the Academy in any structural way but would let it develop its own agenda and remain independent in its structure and operation while remaining attached to the ICF. This would be in accordance with the structure of many organizations that have independent professional or academic units attached to it. We hope that at the next organizational meeting of the Academy that this can be brought to their full board and reviewed for adoption.

Professor McLaren appeared before the Board of Trustees meeting of the Academy in Montecatini Terme in July, 1990 and made this proposal and opened the discussion. We hope that this discussion will continue and that it can be an accomplished fact in the near future. There will be an Executive Committee of the ICF in Australia in August, 1990 and at that time it will be brought before the ICF for their inclusion in the agenda there. We hope that by that time there may be some action on the part of the Academy so that we can develop this plan further.

PROPOSAL

TO

PIETRO VINCENZINI, DIRECTOR

CIMTEC - WORLD CERAMICS CONGRESS
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FROM

INTERNATIONAL CERAMICS FEDERATION

MALCOLM G. McLAREN, PRESIDENT
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AUGUST 1, 1990

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CERAMIC FEDERATION

The growing activities in advanced ceramics lead to increasing numbers of conferences and sometimes duplications and unwanted overlap. On the other hand, the rapid developments ask for more intensive contacts between scientists and technologists in different countries throughout the world. These sometimes conflicting realities have led to discussions between ceramic societies aiming at a better exchange of information and closer collaboration.

About a year ago initiatives were taken to achieve a formal cooperation in a federation of ceramic societies. On April 25, 1990 in Dallas, Texas, delegates representing 21 countries signed the "Objectives and Constitution of the International Ceramic Federation" and adopted operating by-laws. This Federation is a voluntary, non-governmental, not for profit association of organizations, each representing the ceramic community of the member countries. The purposes of the Federation are to promote and stimulate understanding and cooperation between persons and societies from different countries for the exchange of information on the art, science and technology of ceramics by:

- Serving as an international center for the exchange of materials.
- Promoting an understanding of ceramic materials, including their application to components and systems, among the user community.
- Maintaining a world calendar of meetings on ceramics and providing a central clearinghouse for coordination of international meetings on ceramics.

- Preparing and issuing reports and surveys having an international character.
- Improving and facilitating communication among ceramic societies, including an exchange of a list of officers of national and regional societies.
- Preparing a list of research institutes and research programs on a country by country basis that pertains directly to ceramic materials and process.

Each country can be represented by one society or research institution. The American Ceramic Society will act as the Secretariat in the initial stage and will take financial responsibility for the Federation. Also at the Dallas meeting, the following slate of officers and executive committee members of the ICF were duly elected to serve for the next year.

Officers:	Professor M. G. McLaren	President
	Professor R. Metselaar	President-Elect
	Professor H. Hausner	Vice President
	J. C. Lowe	Vice President-Finance
	Professor R. Bowman	Secretary
	W. P. Holbrook	Treasurer

Additional Executive Committee members elected were:

Dr. B. Ben-Nissan	Australia
Dr. J. A. Buslaev	USSR
J. C. Buxton	South America
Dr. S. Hart	Africa
Professor K. Inamuri	Japan
W. H. Payne	USA
Dr. D. S. Yan	Peoples Republic of China

The suggested activities of the ICF will commence immediately and an Executive Committee will be held in Perth, Australia during the Australasian Australasian meeting "Austceram 90" August 28-31, 1990.

Since the main body of work to be performed by the ICF will be in its committee structure, there must be some well organized focus for these committees to come together and review their accomplishments. The International Commission on Glass has found it to be necessary to have a meeting every five years in order to accomplish this task and also to have an international meeting for technical papers.* It is our proposal that the ICF endorse the CIMTEC meetings which Pietro Vincenzini has so successfully managed over the last twenty years and to use the CIMTEC as the principle focus for the committee work of the ICF. Professor Vincenzini has truly integrated both East and West into CIMTEC programs and the theme has included both advanced and traditional ceramics which is the science and technology of ceramics as we know it today. In addition, there has been stress put upon both the engineering aspects as well as the science of ceramics at all of the CIMTEC meetings. Since the ICF has a membership which embraces most all of the professional ceramic societies of the world and since its agenda includes the science and technology of both traditional and advanced ceramics, its purposes and goals are very similar to those of CIMTEC.

*The experience of the International Commission on Glass has covered over a 50 year reign and the history was reported in a pamphlet which is being attached to this document showing the development and successes of this parallel program.

While we believe that the ICF should have the main sponsoring function for the CIMTEC it is not assumed that there would be exclusivity for other sponsorship from other organizations that have traditionally supported CIMTEC in the past. In fact, it should be welcomed.

The discussions that were held between Pietro Vincenzini, Dr. Kingery, Dr. Hausner, and Professor McLaren certainly constituted the groundwork for this program, and we believe it makes good sense to implement such action.

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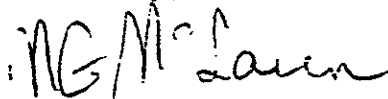
Dr. Pietro Vincenzini
Seventh Cimtec - World Ceramics Congress
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Dear Pietro:

Thank you for your Fax of August 3rd with your letters regarding the proposals of 1) ICF acting as the main endoring organization of future Cimtec Congresses and 2) the International Academy of Ceramics becoming a class or division of the ICF. Although in principle it makes such good sense that these actions be adopted, nevertheless they must be reviewed and voted on by our Executive Committee which meets at the Austceram 90 meeting at the end of August. Again, many thanks for your prompt and clear response to our proposals.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,



Malcolm G. McLaren
President
International Ceramic Federation

CC: Executive Committee - ICF
D. Kingery

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TO

Prof. Malcom G. Mc LAREN

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DATE August 3, 1990

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MESSAGE

Dear Malcom,

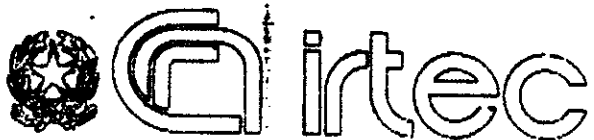
enclosed please find an answer to your Fax. I am leaving today and will be back at the office not before August 24. Any communication in the meantime should be addressed by fax to the above number. Nevertheless I hope my letters will suffice to proceed with discussions within ICF, during the Executive Committee at the end of August.

The original copies of the letter are being sent you by air mail.

best personal regards

P. VINCENZINI

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Prof. Malcom G. McLAREN
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New Jersey USA

Dear Malcom,

many thanks for your fax of August 1 and for your appreciation of the 7th CIMTEC. It was a pleasure for me to have met you again in Italy and to have had with you fruitful discussions.

As I anticipated to you in Montecatini, I am personally very honoured and prone to cooperate with the International Ceramic Federation and I will do my best in order the proposals of the ICF regarding the (International) Academy of Ceramics and CIMTEC will have a positive output.

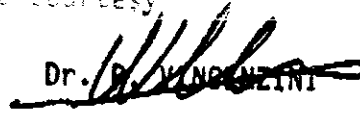
Unfortunately after the Congress in Montecatini and in Trieste, I have had many personal and institutional obligations and I went back in Faenza only in these days. Also you know that August in Italy is a "sacred" period for holidays. So it will be impossible at the end of August a meeting of the Council of the Academy in order to formalize an official deliberation. Nevertheless I informally have contacted some of the outstanding Founding Members of the Academy and I received an almost general consensus to proceed with the discussions with ICF according to your proposal. So, although you will have not in hand the official deliberation of the Council for the Executive Committee meeting of ICF to be held at the end of August, you have suitable positive elements to be brought before the ICF as an agenda item.

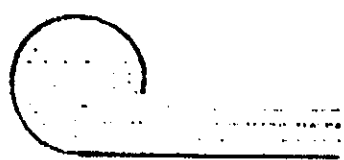
As far as CIMTEC is concerned, I feel your proposal as an ideal arrangement with mutual benefits both for ICF and the Congress. In fact ICF will benefit of a well established forum and from the other hand it is expected that the close involvement of ICF will contribute to a further growth of the cultural interactions worldwide which is the consolidated objective of the CIMTEC series of meetings. Final decision of this matter is in my hand. So I am pleased to inform you that the CIMTEC organization agrees with ICF proposal of endorsement of the CIMTEC and to use the CIMTEC as the principle focus for the Committee's work of the ICF.

Enclosed please find a letter from the Academy and another from the CIMTEC.

I hope these will suffice to you for the discussions within the ICF Executive Committee.

Thank you! Again for your consideration and courtesy

Dr.  VINCIGUERRA



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Faenza August 3, 1990

Prof. M.G. McLAREN
President International
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Rutgers University
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Dear Prof. Mc Laren,

many thanks for your fax of August 8, 1990 where you confirm the interest of the International Ceramic Federation for a close cooperation with the CIMTEC series of international congresses that I manage as from 20 years.

You very kindly and efficiently focussed those that were the main objectives of the CIMTEC : promote cultural interactions worldwide of the ceramics community and particularly of East and West countries in a period where these cultural interactions were not easy because of the different political realities which only recently underwent radical changes; consider on a global basis science and technology of both classical and advanced technical ceramics.

I founded this series of meetings and I managed them without interruption from 1970 to 1990 following the above policy.

The purposes and goals of the ICF are very similar to those of CIMTEC as it embraces on a world basis professional ceramic societies and deals with the science and technology of both classical and advanced technical ceramics. So I feel that your proposal that ICF endorse the CIMTEC meetings and use it as the principle focus for the committee work of ICF may be an ideal combination of mutual usefulness.

Therefore I am most pleased to inform you that the CIMTEC organization agrees that ICF will act as the main endorsing organization of the future CIMTEC congresses and that discussion should proceed to formalize an appropriate agreement for the next editions and eventually a long-term plan for possible future deeper involvements of ICF.

Many thanks for your interest in the matter.

M.G. McLaren

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Faenza August 3, 1990

Prof. Malcom G. McLAREN
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Dear Prof. Mc Laren,

on behalf of the Council of the Academy of Ceramics, I extend you our most heartfelt appreciation for the proposal made on behalf of the International Ceramic Federation (ICF) that the Academy of Ceramics become a division or class of the ICF.

The ICF proposal is based on the consideration that there exists a natural melding of the paths of both organizations and on the opportunity to enter the idea of globalization that ICF is pursuing.

Discussions were held recently within the Board of Trustees, which acts as the main advisory body to the Council of the Academy, and the general consensus was expressed to warmly recommend the Council to adopt a positive resolution. I also personally made you accounted of my position in supporting the proposal of an affiliation of the Academy of Ceramics as an independent division or class of ICF.

August is an "holiday month" in Italy; unfortunately there are no chances to organize an "ad hoc" meeting of the Council of the Academy in order to formalize an official deliberation before the date of the Executive Committee meeting of ICF to be held at the end of this month. Nevertheless most probably the Council will agree on the recommendations of the Board of Trustees. I will push on this direction. So there are suitable positive elements for you to proceed with discussions during the Executive Meeting.

Also, please remember the possibility open to ICF on Prof. Kingery suggestion, for an Institutional Guest Membership (Founding Members) in the Academy. It will allow the President of ICF to participate in the meetings of the Council of the Academy and bring the views of ICF directly within the Council.

I will be pleased to hear from you on the matter at your earliest convenience in order to proceed with appropriate actions on our side.

With kindest personal regards

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