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#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD MEETING

Saturday, January 20, 2007 17h30 (22h30 GMT) Carolina Room, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel Washington, DC, USA

#### -APPROVED JANUARY 12, 2008-

The meeting was called to order at 17h35 by President Zollinger. All attendees introduced themselves (a list of attendees is attached).

#### **Officer and Committee Reports**

The October 2006 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved (Grove/Buch m/s).

It was announced that there would be a round-table discussion of concrete pavement curling and warping topics immediately following the meeting, to be led by Juan-Pablo Covarrubias. It was also announced that there would be a group dinner at the Pesto Ristaurante (ISCP-subsidized cost of \$20 per person) following the meeting and round-table discussion, with the initiated round table discussion after the meeting.

### President's Report (Zollinger)

President Zollinger stated the Society has grown significantly since its inception, and that some problems and challenges have accompanied that growth.

He noted that we need to increase the level of Society activities outside of the U.S. and he challenged Society members to promote the Society mission within local regions and environments. He observed that we can promote technology transfer because our membership is very knowledgeable and filled with internationally recognized speakers. We need to actively seek opportunities to promote what the Society is about.

Another challenge is to better define the scope of Society activities. What can we reasonably do for \$50 per year per individual member? What services can we provide? How do we justify member fees?

The continued success and growth of the Society depends on the contributions and activity of the individual members. President Zollinger challenged the membership to try to think of ways to "magnify yourself" in this Society. He also noted that many members serve on key committees in other national and international organizations and he encouraged everyone to seek out opportunities to establish recognition of ISCP's value in those organizations.

#### Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Snyder)

Mark Snyder presented the Treasurer's Report, summarizing the 2006 expenditures relative to the approved budget. He noted that overall revenue exceeded 2006 budget levels by more than 30 percent, largely because of improved investment returns and higher-than-anticipated individual membership retention, along with a partial reimbursement of some

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of the expenses of the 2005 pre-conference workshop. In addition, expenditures were almost 50 percent lower than projected, mainly because liability and D&O insurance policies were not implemented during the year, 9<sup>th</sup> Conference planning expenditures (travel, etc.) was much lower than expected, and International programs (and associated expenses) did not develop as quickly as expected. The bottom line was that the year produced a surplus of more than \$7000 instead of the planned deficit of more than \$8000.

The treasurer's report was approved (Armaghani/Wathne m/s)

There was no secretary's report, but Erwin Kohler (editor of the Society newsletter) provided a verbal accounting of the continued development of the Society e-newsletter (which is under the Secretary's responsibility). He noted that there have been 15 e-newsletters published since 2004 and that the rate of publication has been increased from quarterly to bi-monthly. Newsletters are typically e-mailed in html file format; Erwin asked the membership to advise if there are any problems with this. Dr. Kohler announced that three members volunteered at the recent Belgium board meeting to translate the newsletter into French, Spanish and Turkish and that Juan Pablo Covarrubias has already provided one newsletter translation into Spanish. Juan Pablo stated that it takes his staff about 15 days to complete a translation. Erwin observed that it would be ideal to release the newsletter in all languages simultaneously, which would require earlier deadlines for submitting articles to meet bi-monthly publication targets.

Dr. Kohler than asked the membership to consider submitting newsletter articles for one or more of the typical newsletter sections, including: "What's New?", corporate member profiles, research news, featured thesis abstract, industry news, upcoming events, and honorary member profiles.

It was noted that the newsletter helps to raise the visibility of the Society website.

#### Editorial Committee Chair Report on Journal Paper Transfers (Buch)

Neeraj Buch noted that the editorial board of the IJPE was meeting concurrently with the ISCP meeting and that he would have to leave to attend. He stated that 5 ISCP members have submitted papers to the Journal, and that 3 previously submitted to the now-defunct ISCP e-journal have been forwarded to IJPE. Anecdotally, there seems to be an uptick in concrete pavement-related IJPE papers. The special issue of IJPE dedicated to concrete pavement topics can now be ordered online.

### 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference Steering Committee Report (Hall)

Kathleen Hall reported on the planning for the 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference to be held in San Francisco in 2008. The selected hotel venue is the San Francisco Marriott. She distributed new "Conference Announcement and Call for Papers" brochures and solicited attendees to distribute them at various TRB committee meetings. She also noted that the

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steering committee decided, in the context of advance time required for planning, that the 10<sup>th</sup> Conference to be held in 2012 should be in Montreal or Quebec City.

She discussed the paper submittal process (directly to Nona Schaler, who would log them in before sending them to Neeraj for distribution and review), listed all of the current Conference co-sponsors, described proposed workshop topics and the proposed process for getting candidate workshop coordinators to develop tentative workshop programs for review and selection/approval by the steering committee.

Mike Darter: Need to add CalTrans and UC-PRC to the co-sponsor list (Mark Snyder responded that they were being added and were, in fact, already in agreement about assisting with conference management and possible financial support.

Leif Wathne: Suggested adding a sustainability theme for one workshop and agreed to be a chair. Mike Darter: Suggested a workshop on pavement surface characteristics (i.e., noise, friction, surface texture, etc.).

Hermann Sommer – Suggested a workshop on soil-cement topics.

Some discussion followed concerning desirable formats for the workshops...

#### **Old Business**

#### Presentation of Budget/Planning for Strategic Planning Meeting

Bryan Perrie described the concept of the meeting for the general membership, which is that the expenses of travel, room and board for an extended Board meeting would be largely covered by the revenue generated by an accompanying conference featuring presentations by the Board members of previously written papers, of which a compendium would be published. It is expected that such a conference will be well attended because few South Africans attend TRB, PIARC, the LLPC, etc.

The proposed schedule is to have the Board members fly in on the first weekend, rest on Monday, strategic planning meeting on Tuesday, travel on Wednesday, Seminar on Thurs-Fri, fly out on the second weekend. The week of August 13-18 is proposed, with the conference to be held in Johannesburg or Pretoria.

Single accommodations will be proved for up to 20 board members (with members paying any differential for attending spouses). The Cement and Concrete Institute will organize the event and plans to charge 3500 rand (about \$500U.S.) to attendees. They will also run an exhibition and will seek sponsors to further reduce costs. Any surplus would be used to subsidize travel. Need to confirm date, promote conference as joint ISCP/CCI.

The Board discussed and confirmed the dates. Mark Snyder and Bryan Perrie will work out conference details (i.e., confirm speakers, topics, etc.) over the next two weeks.

#### Planning for Pre-Conference Workshop in San Francisco

Jeff Roesler described current plans for this event, which will be in the same vein as the CROW Workshop and the pre-conference workshop held at Copper Mountain, Colorado, USA in 2005.

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ISCP will be the primary workshop sponsor and Jeff and Lev Khazanovich will be co-chairs. The event is planned to be revenue-neutral and will probably cost \$700 - \$800 per person, which will include the cost of 3 nights in a hotel, all meals, snacks, etc. The tentative theme is "Fundamental Modeling of Concrete Pavements," and the event is tentatively scheduled for August 7-8, 2008 (Thursday and Friday before the 9<sup>th</sup> Conference). Tentative workshop sites include Lake Tahoe, Monterey and the Napa/Sonoma valley area. Would probably try to run a bus shuttle to the San Francisco and Oakland airports for attendees.

#### Planning for IBRACON/ISCP Workshop

José Balbo reported on the planning for this workshop. He reported that they have received 40 abstracts for the October 21-23, 2007 workshop, which will be held in Recife, Brazil. These include 15 from the United States, 9 from Brazil, 2 from Belgium, 1 from South Africa, 1 from Iran, etc. Topics include Materials, Management, Design, Analysis, etc. He then described the conference mechanism and noted that online registration for the conference would be available in a few months, after additional conference details and registration fees were determined. mechanism.

#### **New Business**

### <u>Induction of New Honorary Members</u>

President Zollinger led the induction of new ISCP Honorary Members Hermann Sommer (AUSTRIA) and Shiraz Tayabji (USA). Drs. Sommer and Tayabji each gave nice induction acceptance speeches.

#### Presentation of Proposed 2007 Operating Budget (Snyder)

Mark Snyder presented the proposed 2007 operating budget for ISCP. Highlights of the budget include a projected flat revenue stream from 2006 (minus the payment received for the pre-conference workshop) and much higher expenditures as the Society ramps up for the 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference and as board travel to the mid-year meeting is partially subsidized. The budget provides for a net shortfall of more than \$38,000.

The proposed budget was approved as presented (Bablo/Darter m/s)

### Review of Accounting and Insurance Proposals

Mark Snyder presented a proposal from John A. Knutson Company of St. Paul, MN to do the Society taxes and audit the books for \$1500, and a proposal from Lamb, Little and Company of Schaumberg, Illinois to broker general liability and D&O insurance for about \$1900. While a formal vote on these proposal was not obtained, the board directed the Secretary to proceed with both proposals.

Discuss possibility of Member Recruitment Program and Reciprocity with Other Organizations
It was briefly mentioned that some members have inquired about the possibility of obtaining reduced registration rates for ISCP members at other organization conferences (e.g., ACI, ASCE, PIARC, etc.) in exchange for providing reduced registration at ISCP events for members of those organizations. Brief discussion followed, during which it became

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apparent that the general consensus of the Board was that such an arrangement does not exist for any other organizations and it was unlikely that ISCP would be able to negotiate such an arrangement.

It was also mentioned that some organizations offer free or reduced membership to members that recruit additional new members to the organization. Discussion of this topic was tabled for future discussion because of time limitations.

### **Good and Welfare/Announcements**

The next annual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2008 in Washington, DC, USA, in conjunction with the next Annual Meeting of the US Transportation Research Board (meeting time TBD)

President Zollinger adjourned the meeting at 19h10.

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### January 20, 2007 ISCP Board Meeting Attendees:

Name Affiliation

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Jim GROVE CP Tech Center at Iowa State University, USA

Dan ZOLLINGER Texas A&M University, USA

Mark B. SNYDER Consultant, USA Shiraz D. TAYABJI CTL Group, Inc., USA

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