Short Protocol

10th General Assembly of the Swiss Society of Biomaterials Wednesday, July 1, 2004, at 12.30 at the congress center in Davos

Present: V. Besson, M. Bohner, C. Davies, E. Doelker, M. Dusseiller, S. Fischer, V. Frauchiger, C. Frei, B. Gander, A. Gisep, H. Gruner, S. Hofmann, L. Harris, O. Jordan, J. Lemaître, M. Lütolf, J-M Meyer, L. Pfister, L. Reclaru, G. Richards, W. Rieger, K. Ruffieux, A. Salito, S. Schmukler-Moncler, E. Schneider, M. Schuler, D. Snétivy, M. Textor, P-H. Valloton

Excused: H. Lüthy, J. Mayer

The SSB President, W. Rieger, welcomes the members and opens the meeting.

1. Agenda: unanimous approval

2. Protocol of the 9th general assembly, Neuchatel: unanimous approval

3. Report of the president

The SSB is affiliated to the ESB and has a partnership to the Romanian, Italian, and Polish Biomaterials society.

Disclosure of the number of the SSB members (close to 180). This number has strongly increased in the last months due to the extensive work of Geoff Richards and the introduction of a lab membership.

Presentation of the EC members

European Cells and Materials is the official journal of the SSB. There are presently 2800 registered readers distributed in 80 countries. Eur Cells Mater is indexed in Biosis, Cas, Medline, etc...

4. Report of the treasurer

(i) Accounting per 31.12.2003

At the end of 2002, the SSB had 20'308.37 CHF. Income in 2003:

Annual fee 2003 for full members: 3300 CHF (- 290 CHF compared to 2002)

Annual fee 2003 for graduate students: 20 CHF (2 x 10 CHF) (-20 CHF)

Interests: ?? CHF

Sponsorship: 4500 CHF (+ 1700 CHF)

General meeting 2003: 6820 CHF

Payment from SSB meeting in Geneva 1809.15

CHF

Total revenues 16539.15 CHF

Cost of the meeting in 2003: - 3030.66 CHF Information technology - 1575 CHF

Post account - 987.80 CHF

Total payments -5593.46
Result 2003 +10945.69 CHF
Total at the end of 2003: 31'254.06

(ii) Budget 2004

SSB prices 2004 -1000
Student sponsorship -3000
EC Expenses -800
Administration -200
Web page -750
ECM Journal -825
SSB General assembly meeting -3000

Others -500

Total -10'075

Membership3000Student membership200Lab member1050SSB GA meeting4000

Sponsoring 4500

Total 12750

Result: 2675

(iii) Present situation

 Income in 2004:
 8'370

 Total payments in 2004:
 814.50

 Result per 22.6.04
 7'555.50

 Balance per 22.6.04:
 38'809.56

(iv) List of sponsor

Mr Salito presented the list of sponsors and asked the EC to do more to recruit sponsors.

5. Report of the auditors: K. Ruffieux and A. Gisep agreed with the report of the treasurer.

6. Election of the EC

Presentation of the new EC member (M. Textor) and the new president (J. Lemaître)

G. Richards and M. Bohner became the new vice-president (to replace J. Lemaître) and new secretary (to replace G. Richards), respectively.

The president, the new EC member, and the auditors were elected.

The president was awarded a honorary membership

7. Future annual meetings

11th annual meeting, June 1st, 2005, Mägenwil (hosted by H. Gruner and Medicoat)

12th annual meeting, 2006, hosted by Dr hc Robert Mathys Foundation

8. SSB Website

Future meetings were mentioned. Changes relative to student travel award and PhD printing costs were briefly presented.

M. Bohner, July 5, 2004.