SHORT PROTOCOL

6th General Assembly of the Swiss Society of Biomaterials
Thursday, June 8, 2000, AO Research Centre, Davos


Excused EC members: P. Bittmann, P. Descouts, H. Gruner, J. Lemaître, W. Rieger, A. Salito

E. Winternmantel, president of the SSB, opens the session at 1815.

1. Approval of the Agenda
The agenda is accepted without comment.

2. Protocol of the 5th General Assembly, Zürich, October 8, 1999
The protocol is accepted with unanimity.

3. Report by the treasurer
During the year 1999 the society had a net income of CHF 4'299.95, compared to total expenses of CHF 1'833.80. By June 6, 2000, the fortune of the SSB was CHF 17278.45.

4. Report by the Auditor
A. Gisep and K. Ruffieux revised the accounts and suggested to discharge the treasurer. Approval with unanimity

5. Budget 2001
The EC has to prepare a Budget for 2001 with a well balanced account. Wherein are included CHF 1000.- for a poster price (to the group of authors) and CHF 500.- for oral presentation (to the speaker).

6. Membership Fees for 2000
Proposed by the EC: CHF 50.- for individual members, CHF 10.- for students and CHF 300.- for institutional members. Approval with unanimity

7. Report by the President
- The Executive Committee (EC) met twice: December 8, 1999 and April 10, 2000
- SSB Web Page was established
- E. Winternmantel will take over the "Zentralinstitut für Medizintechnik" of the Technical University of Munich and therefore leave Switzerland and the EC of the SSB.

8. Co-operation with SVMT
After discussion a mandate was given to the EC to clarify the situation with the SVMT especially with respect of a possible adherence of the SSB to the European Society of Biomaterials (ESB).

9. Web Page
Since beginning of May 2000, the SSB Web page is fully functional except the "members only" page. Thanks to our Webmaster, Marc Petitmermet.
10. Reassignment of Functions in the EC / Election of a new President
E. Wintermantel retires as President and from the EC of the SSB. W. Rieger is welcomed as the SSB president for 2000 - 2001 with a warm applause by the present members.
P. Bittmann leaves the EC.
As new members of the EC, J. Mayer and G. Richards are elected with acclamation.
A new vice president has to be elected by the EC in their next meeting.

11. Future Meetings
The next General Assembly will be hosted by CibaVision in Basle. Proposed dates are: May 10 / 11 or May 17 / 18, 2001.
For 2002, the EC will try to integrate the CSEM in Neuchâtel in the SSB and ask them to welcome the GA 2002.

12. Varia

End of the assembly: 1945

The secretary

Unterentfelden, June 22, 2000
Reto Lefr, Dr. ès sc.
Unterentfelden, 12. Mai 2000

To:

all members
of the SSB

Dear members of the SSB

please be cordially invited to the

6th General Assembly of the SSB
Thursday, June 8, 2000, 1800, in the AO Research Centre, Davos

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Comments to points 8. and 10.:
8. It will be proposed that the SSB joins the SVMT as a working group ("Arbeitsgruppe"), in accordance with our bylaws, article 2. A copy of the corresponding letter of the EC of the SVMT is enclosed (in German, sorry).
10. The EC proposes Dr. Wolfhart Rieger, actually vice president of the SSB, as president for the year 2000/2001.

We from the EC are looking forward to meet you in Davos and I wish you a save trip. Follow us to the marvellous landscape of Davos. There will be an interesting scientific program. More than 30 presentations are announced. All of them present new results of research in almost all fields of biomedical activity.

Kind regards
Swiss Society of Biomaterials

Erich Winternmantel
President

Reto Lerf
Secretary