

Minutes of the SFRR-International General Assembly held during the 17th SFRR Biennial Meeting at the Kyoto Conference Centre, Kyoto, Japan in Room A from 18:00 to 18:35 on 25 March 2014

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Present: Michael Davies (SFRR President), Rafael Radi (SFRR President-Elect), Giovanni Mann (SFRR Secretary General), Malcolm Jackson (SFRR Past President) Henry Forman (SFRBM President), Lin Mantell (SFRBM), Nesrin Kartel-Ozer (President SFRR), Daniel Tsun-Yee (SFRR Asia President), Shinya Toyokuni (SFRR-Asia President Elect), Yuji Naito (SFRR-Asia Secretary General), Claire Hawkins (SFRR-Australasia President), Paul Witting (SFRR-Australasia President-Elect).

A total of 23 SFRR members attended the General Assembly.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

2. Minutes of the General Assembly held in London 2012

SFRR regional societies had been emailed the finalised Minutes from the General Assembly held in London in September 2012 and these had been approved.

3. Report of the President

Michael Davies welcomed Rafael Radi as the next SFRR President Elect. He then expressed his thanks and that of the SFRR Executive and Committee to Yuji Naito and Shinya Toyokuni and their local team for organising such a successful SFRR meeting in Kyoto.

Michael Davies highlighted the regional meetings that SFRR had supported during the past two years, including:

- * SFRR 2012 with £10,000 (with £5000 returned from the organisers of this meeting)
- * SFRR-STAR IITR-2013 meeting, India, Jan 2013
- * Young Investigator awards: SFRR-Europe meeting, Athens, Greece, 2013
- * VI International Conference on Polyphenols and Health, Argentina, Oct 2013
- * SFRR-India meeting, Mumbai, India, Jan 2014
- * SFRR-International Biennial meeting in Kyoto
- * "Oxidants and Antioxidants in Biology: Nutrition and Redox Biology in Development and Health" meeting to be held in Davis, California, USA, May 2014
- * Redox 2014 meeting, Havana, Cuba, May 2014
- * "Cellular Environmental Stressors in Biology and Medicine" meeting in Ferrara, Italy, June 2014

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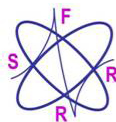
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He also noted that a formal application procedure had been put in place for sponsorship requests of local meetings. A form for such requests had been drafted and was available on the SFRRRI website (www.sfrrr.org).

4. Report of the Secretary General

Giovanni Mann briefly reviewed the current SFRRRI website and encouraged regional societies to email him further information for uploading onto the website. Shinya Toyokuni/Yuji Naito and their local organising team aim to create a finalised web link for the SFRRRI Kyoto meeting, which can contain the programme, abstracts, sponsors and a photo gallery of delegates at the meeting.

Giovanni Mann reported that the SFRRRI Committee had discussed creating a historical perspective on the SFRRRI website, and that a SFRRRI historian may wish to oversee such 'historical' files.

5. Report of the Treasurer

Michael Davies presented the Treasurer's Report, as Cesar Fraga was speaking at a satellite meeting. The report highlighted income and expenditure over the past two years and SFRRRI assets now totaled £76,683.19. Michael Davies thanked Cesar Fraga for his work as Treasurer, and Giovanni Mann, the Chairman of SFRRRI 2012 in London, for repaying SFRRRI £5000 from the meeting's profit. He also commended and thanked the regional committees for the timely payment of their contributions to SFRRRI.

Corinne Spickett from SFRRRE queried why SFRRRI holds a US Dollar account, and Michael Davies explained this was to facilitate payment of small amounts in US Dollars that would otherwise attract significant currency exchange charges. These are primarily costs associated with the website domain name and postal / fax charges

6. Report of the President-Elect

Rafael Radi highlighted that it was an opportune time for SFRRRI regional societies to support SFRRRI under the auspices of an 'umbrella' union, thereby ensuring that SFRRRI support can be made available to regions in the world that are not well funded. He proposed creating three standing committees: finance, education, and meetings, with representation from the SFRRRI regional societies. This would not only ensure that SFRRRI has an input to biennial meetings but also secures cross-fertilisation between regional societies, e.g. co-operation in training courses. He concluded emphasizing that the Executive and International SFRRRI Committee members have the shared view that a union could be created between SFRRRI and SFRRRI regional societies. He further mentioned that the Executive would like to involve SFRRRI regional societies in the initial nomination of candidates for President Elect, Secretary General and Treasurer and a second round of voting.

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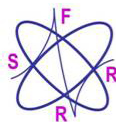
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7. Future SFRR biennial meetings

Michael Davies/Giovanni Mann informed the General Assembly that SFRR 2016 would be held as a joint meeting with SFRBM in San Francisco, USA from 16-20 November 2016. As the incoming SFRBM President, Neil Hogg would be coordinating this joint meeting. SFRR had offered to host the SFRR 2018 meeting in Lisbon, Portugal during June. Subsequent SFRR biennial meetings were aimed to be held Asia/Australasia in 2020 and the Americas in 2022. The Executive further highlighted the importance of regional Societies providing financial support for a host SFRR Society, based the success of the SFRR meetings held in London 2012 and Kyoto 2014.

8. Report from regional societies

None

9. Any other business

None

10. Next General Assembly

To be held at the joint meeting of 23rd SFRBM Meeting and 18th SFRR Meeting in San Francisco, USA from 16-20 November 2016.

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