**Minutes ISRR10 General Meeting of Society members, Yearim Hotel, Israel**

**Held Thursday 12 July 2018,**

Meeting in the afternoon, immediately after the final session of the meeting. The meeting was led by President Peter Gregory.

**1. Presentation of minutes of ISRR9, AGM Canberra (Attachment 1) (accepted)**

**2. Report on ISRR10 by** Prof. Jhonathan Ephrath**, Chair of Organising Committee**

* not expecting profit
* will return seed money from the society- return in full-
* Recognition to Organising committee
* Peter Gregory- formal thank you to Yoni Ephrath for the successful running of ISRR10

**2. Accounts reported by President Peter Gregory- (accepted)**

**3. Election of President and Executive Secretary**

* formal thanking of Peter Gregory for his enormous contributions to the society as President
* Michelle Watt proposed as next President after an international call for nominations and a selection committee chaired by Alan Richardson- accepted
* Ulrike Mathesius proposed as Executive Secretary- accepted

**4. Election of Members of the Executive Committee** (accepted)

- Joni Ephrath, in the role of current past conference host. Thank you to: Alan Richardson, who was the Chair of the 2015 ISRR9 meeting in Canberra.

- Matthias Wissuwa, JIRCAS, Japan, who brings active trait discover and deployment by breeding into rice. He replaces Phillipe Hinsinger, who helped in particular to arrange ISRR meetings to be offset from the well-attended Rhizosphere meetings and thus strengthening the below ground community.

- Lixing Yuan, China Agriculture University, Beijing, who replaces Fusuo Zhang

- Yoshiaki Inukai, also from the Nagoya University of Japan, replaces Jun

Abe, who is thanked for hosting the 2001 ISRR meeting in Nagoya, Japan.

- Simeon Materechera, North West University, South Africa

- Peter Gregory stays on as a Past Honorary President, in the tradition and role established when Hans Perrson stepped down.

**5. Location and timing of ISRR10, in 2021**- Columbia, Missouri (accepted)

**Attachment 1. Minutes ISRR9 AGM, Canberra, Australia**

**October 7, 2015**

Meeting started at 6 pm with 29 signed in members present. The meeting was lead by President Peter Gregory.

1. **Apologies-**

Glynn Bengough, John Kirkegaard

1. **Presentation of minutes of ISRR8, Dundee** (attached)- Accepted
2. **Report on ISRR9 by Alan Richardson**-

Provided to the Executive and to AGM (attached)

Comments by AR-

* likely to be a small profit
* very high sponsorship
* will return seed money from the society- likely to return in full- with differences related to currency changes
* AR- propose to deduct the Lifetime award from ISRR
* AR- propose to deduct a few student funds
* AR- propose to have Lifetime award go forward
* AR- propose to have Student Ambassador program go forward
* Recognition to Hallie Thompson
* Recognition to Peter Ryan (sponsorship), John Kirkegaard (Ambassodor program) and Anton Wasson (field)
* PG- formal thank you to Alan Richardson for the successful running of ISRR9
1. **Accounts reported by President Peter Gregory**
* Money of ISRR- in an account that is an adjunct to PG personal account, is a separate entity account with the profit from the Dundee ISRR8 meeting
* PG outlined use of the money (attached)
* Expect 13 or 14K pounds for the next meeting based on returns from AR

**Accounts accepted**- proposed by Jim Crush and seconded by Peter Ryan

1. **Election of President and Executive Secretary**
* formal thanking of Al Schmucker for his contributions to the society
* PG agreed to stand down at the next meeting
* MW proposed as next Executive Secretary

Alan Richardson - propose the presidency of Peter Gregory until next meeting- accepted

Abraham Ecobar Gutierrez- propose secretary Michelle Watt- accepted

1. **Election of Members of the Executive Committee**

Noted that during last three years, co-opted Glynn Bengough (as previous organiser) and Albert Matachera (from Africa to cover that geographic region)

* President proposed Uli Mathesius comes onto the executive committee- accepted
* President coopted Alan Richardson- accepted
* Abraham Escobar- suggested Amelia Henry- seconded by Alan Richardson

Action: President to ask Amelia Henry

1. **Location and timing of next meeting**

**Timing-** every three years because Rhizosphere meeting every 4 years

**Location for ISRR10**- offers from Missouri, Isreal, and France

President- intent to make a statement about next meeting at the end of ISRR9

For next meeting- have a Student Ambassador Program and the Lifetime Award because up to the hosts to nominate a candidate