



## MINUTES

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF MATERIALS, METALS & MINERALS SOCIETIES (IOMMMS)  
Monday, September 9, 2002  
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
Beijing International Hotel  
Beijing, China**

***Bernard Rickinson, Chair, presiding***

*Attendees:*

*Chair, Bernie Rickinson, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of Materials, Minerals & Mining  
Vice Chair, Zhong Zengyong, Executive Vice President, Chinese Society for Metals  
Member-at-Large, Yoshimasa Kajiwara, Secretary General, Japan Institute of Metals  
Secretary, Alexander Scott, The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society*

*Guests:*

*Heroyasu Saka, Vice President, Japan Institute of Metals  
Xishan Xie, Vice Chairman International Affairs Committee, Chinese Society for Metals*

### **1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chairman Rickinson welcomed the group to Beijing and had each individual introduce themselves and give their Society and Employer affiliation and title.

### **2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 9, 2000 MEETING**

Secretary Scott presented the minutes from the last meeting for approval. It was MOVED and VOTED that:

The minutes from the September 9, 2000 IOMMMS Executive Committee Meeting be approved.

### **3. REVIEW OF COUNCIL AGENDA**

Chairman Rickinson reported that there were several important administrative items that required discussion and decisions by the Council tomorrow. They included nominations for the Executive Committee and the location and dates for future Council Meetings.

- 3.1 The Committee held a discussion on potential candidates for each of the open positions on the Executive Committee. They reviewed the bylaws which outlined the structure of the Executive Committee and its requirement for specific geographic representation. Following this discussion the Committee agreed to present the following slate of candidates to the Council for their review and approval.

Position	Current Member	Current Term	Geographic Region	Nominee & Term
Chairman	Rickinson	1999-2002	Europe	Rickinson '04
Secretary	Scott	1999-2002	US	Scott '05
Vice Chair	FEMS Secretary	2000-2001	Europe	New FEMS Secretary '05
Vice Chair	Zhong	2001-2004	Asia	Zhong '04
Vice Chair	Vacant	2001-2004	US	Theobald '04
At Large	Kajiwara	2000-2004	Asia	Kajiwara '04
At Large	Larkin	2000-2001	Asia	Larkin '05

### 3.2 Future Council Meeting Locations and Dates

The Committee reviewed the past history of Council Meetings noting the schedule as follows:

1998 - US - San Diego  
 1999 - Europe - Munich  
 2000 - Asia - Melbourne  
 2001 - No Meeting  
 2002 - Asia - Beijing

They concluded that a rotation pattern of US, Europe, Asia was a good and fair site rotation. Based on that rotation it was proposed that the '03 meeting be in the US hosted by TMS/ISS at their November 9-12, 2003 MS&T Conference in Chicago. The '04 meeting be in Europe with London, England as the site hosted by the IOM<sup>3</sup> and the '05 meeting be in Japan in the September-November time frame hosted by JIM.

## 4. REPORT ON OLD BUSINESS

### 4.1 Invitation to Australian Materials Society

An invitation was sent to the Australian Materials Society. No answer was formally received. Secretary Scott will follow-up and determine their interest in joining and will also invite them to the '03 Council Meeting.

### 4.2 Budget Issues

Secretary Scott reviewed the current financial status reporting a treasury of \$12,926.25. Dues payments had not been received from ABM, CIM, CSM, Nfsoc, FEMS, OMBKE, IMM, MAM, ASM, ISS, IOM<sup>3</sup> in 2001. It was agreed these should be billed/reminded. No dues bills were issued for 2002.

### 4.3 World Materials Day

Chairman Rickinson expressed his view that momentum for a World Materials Day had not materialized because our concept had too wide a focus, no defined time, attempts to link to a society's conference had failed, and the concept was difficult to coordinate. Overall it was a good idea but a problem to implement.

Chairman Rickinson challenged the Committee to develop an idea that could be created and implemented before we meet again in 2003. This would demonstrate the viability of IOMMMS.

The committee held an extensive discussion on the development of a student level contest that would involve students, offer a monetary prize, could be done locally (within country/region) by each Member Society and would impact the materials field and bring recognition to IOMMMS by having the award/winner announced on the same day worldwide.

The Committee developed the following as a recommendation to the Council.

#### A Concept for a World Materials Day

- Each Society has the opportunity to participate by following the general criteria but has the ability to create their own competition within their country involving materials students (college, undergrad level, and grad level)
- General Criteria: Promotion of the wider knowledge of materials and their importance in every day life to the benefit of young people.
- As a suggestion:
  - Support of a school based project to help in the teaching of materials
  - Production of a web page "Why materials are important to society"
  - Festival of experiments of materials projects
  - Robot wars - best use of materials
- Draft Timetable

September 30	Minutes to Member Societies
October 15	Responses and comments from Societies
November 1	Official notification and rules to each Society
January 20	Commitment and individual Society plans
February 20	Call for applications and public announcement
July 30	Application Deadline
August 1 to September 30	Judging
September 30	Submit Society winners to Secretary
November 1	World Materials Day - Announce Winners
- Financing

2002 Dues	Not to be collected
2003 Dues	\$500 US Dollars (to be collected and rebated to those Member Societies participating in the project to pay for the cash prize of \$500.)
- Recognition

Winner (single individual or team) from each Society to receive check for \$500 US Dollars and plaque from IOMMMS

## 5. PLANS FOR NEXT MEETING

Dates, Location and Host Society for 2003

TMS will host the 2003 Council Meeting in conjunction with their ISS/TMS MS&T Conference in Chicago, Illinois, USA, November 9-12, 2003. The Council Meeting will be at the end of the week on Thursday or Friday.

CSM proposed that the IOMMMS consider sponsoring a "Forum for Young People" modeled after the FEMS Junior EUROMAT. Professor Xie will draft a proposal/concept to be circulated to the Council.

It was agreed to review and identify other materials societies that could be invited to join the IOMMMS. It was noted there was a three society limitation per country in the bylaws. Chairman Rickinson and Secretary Scott to do.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

<b>IOMMMS</b>		<b>FOLLOW-UP/ACTION ITEMS REPORT</b>	
<b>Meeting of: IOMMMS Executive Committee</b> <b>Date Held: September 9, 2002</b>			
<b>ITEM #</b>	<b>ACTION ITEM/TASK</b>	<b>WHO RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>TIME FRAME</b>
3.1	Present slate of Exec. Cte. Candidates at Council Meeting	Chair, Rickinson	Done
4.1	Follow-up with Australian Materials Society on their interest in joining IOMMMS and invite them to the '03 Council Meeting	Secretary, Scott	01/03
4.2	Send reminder dues bills to unpaid societies for 2001	Secretary, Scott	01/03
4.3	World Materials Day Follow-up	All	01/03
5.	Prof. Xie to draft proposal/concept for the "Forum for Young People"	Prof. Xie	09/03
5.	Identify additional materials societies for possible membership to IOMMMS	Rickinson/Scott	04/03