



**InterRad Business Meeting  
InterRad XI, Wellington, New Zealand March 24, 2006**

**Apologies:** Elspeth Urquhart, Peppe Cortese, Peter Baumgartner, Paulian Dumitrica

**Active members during meeting:** Chris Hollis (C.H), Patrick de Wever (P.dW.), Jonathan Aitchison (J.A.), Patricia Whalen (P.W), Dave Lazarus (D.L.), Hui Luo (H.L.), Annika Sanfilippo (A.S.), Demetrio Boltovskoy (D.B.), Bill Riedel (B.R.), Taniel Danelian (T.D.), John Rodgers (J.R.), Sarah-Jane Jackett (S.J.J.), Hamish Campbell (H.C.)

**1) Matters arising from last meeting. IRX Lausanne September 12, 2003**

**a) InterRad X proceeding volume (J. A. & P.dW)**

J.A. & P.dW.: it was decided in Lausanne 2003 to publish the IRX proceedings volume in a special volume of *Ecologiae Geologicae Helvetiae*. There are 3 co-editors, P.dW, J.A & Peter Baumgartner.

J.A. & P.dW.: apologise that due to external reasons this volume has yet to be printed, and propose that C.H. takes direct contact with Iwan Stössel-Sittig (editor of *Ecologiae*) to speed up the procedure, and for C.H. to send copies of the mails to the 3 co-eds.

>The proposal is put to vote and there is a unanimous agreement.

**2) Treasurer's report (P.W. covers for Elspeth Urquhart)**

**a) Finances**

P.W.: £ 4,000 was in the account and given to C.H. to support distinguished speakers and students to attend IRXI. During IRXI, 2,000 USD was collected in dues by P.W. There are 200 people on the membership list; only 75 members are actively paying.

> P.W. encourages members to pay during the conference. 15 USD/yr or 45 USD/ 3 yrs

**b) Honorary membership**

P.W.: should we consider giving honorary membership? Question posed by Elspeth Urquhart

> The proposal is put to vote. 8/9 people are for, nobody against and the rest are neutral. Luke warm support  
A.S.: can P.W. explain a little more about what it would entail?

P.W.: would be offered to members who have made life time contributions

C.H.: many of the people which fall into this group have money, so maybe we should broaden the idea, to be able to apply it to retired, some professional and student workers, that don't have money?

D.B.: that would be a type of scholarship, don't mix the two ideas.

P.W. 15 USD is already quite low

J.A.: it's more appropriate for retired workers. The membership could be lowered for students also.

> P.W. is to discuss the topic with Elspeth Urquhart, and they make contact with the rest of us.

**c) Membership payment options**

P.W.: easier to collect at meetings rather than on-line, and encourages people to pay during the meetings.

Opens discussion on Paypal, as proposed by Elspeth in Lausanne. Anyone use Paypal? Should we use it?

D.B.: Paypal doesn't require a credit card; you can transfer from your account to Paypal. Just need to make the initial transfer.

P.W.: charges are around 4% plus currency conversion charges



D.L.: we would also need a website?

J.A.: e-banking is much easier; you just need the bank account number.

> P.W.: can ask Elspeth to write to each member not radfolks, with the account number. Currency will be converted to £.

D.L.: still will have to pay charges.

J.R.: maybe we should have a little variety in the methods of payment?

> D.B.: let Elspeth make the decision. The dues that were used to publish the volume, which is now digital, where are they?

P.W.: travel grants were given to get students and distinguished speakers to the meeting, it is most important to get people to the meetings.

C.H.: was surprised that funds were never used before, this is why so much had accumulated on the account prior to this meeting.

B.R.: includes a suggestion that people can give more if they want to, to help students etc.

### 3) Next Meeting (2009)

C.H.: one proposal has been made so far: Dr. Hui Luo from the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Nanjing Institute of Geology and Palaeontology.

H.L.: talks about proposition. There are 4 full time palaeontologists in the institute, IRXII would be in collaboration with the Dept. of sciences in Hong Kong, proposed organisers: H.L. (Ch.), Yan (Ch.), J.A. (HK). Proposed fieldtrips: Inner Mongolia, Tibet, Guangxi (southern China), Shiti, Changxing (P/T, GGSP) plus other possibilities. September (2009) would be a good time for fieldwork.

> Nanjing is put to vote, and it is decided that IRXII will be held in Nanjing, September 2009.

### 4) Election of officers

C.H: Dr. Hui Luo is the new president. Dr. Chris Hollis replaces Prof. Peter Baumgartner as past president. Neither Elspeth Urquhart nor Peppe Cortese (nor any working group chairs) have indicated that they wish to resign from their current roles as treasurer and secretary, respectively.

P.dW. & J.A: suggest that it is good to rotate post and develop careers, and would like to nominate SJJ as secretary. It is clearly expressed that this is nothing against Peppe Cortese.

S.J.J.: accepts the nomination

C.H.: unfair situation as Peppe Cortese is not present.

T.D.: there is usually more than one secretary, create a new post e.g. secretary and assistant secretary?

> Resulting structure:

Officers of the Association

President: Hui LUO

Past President: Christopher J. HOLLIS

Secretary: Giuseppe CORTESE

Assistant Secretary: Sarah-Jane JACKETT

Treasurer: Elspeth URQUHART

Working Group Chairpersons

Paleozoic: Patricia WHALEN

Mesozoic: Luis O'DOGHERTY

Cenozoic: Annika SANFILIPPO



Recent: Demetrio BOLTOVSKOY (see subsequent mail of Annika Sanfilippo 25/05/06)

### **Closing ceremony/ awards (H.C.)**

#### Acknowledgements

#### Best Student Oral Presentation

Yuasa (Tomoko) et al

Tokyo Gakugei University, Koganei, Tokyo 184-8501 Japan

Phaeodarians found a home? Molecular phylogenetic study of Phaeodarea

#### Best Student Poster Presentations

Tanaka (Seiji) et al.

Dept of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan

Radiolarian distribution using vertical multiple plankton sampler and paleoceanography in the Bering Sea

Shibutani (Susumu) and Hori

Dept. of Earth Sciences, Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Ehime University 790-8577 Japan

Radiolarian assemblages and chemical compositions of lowest Jurassic (Hettangian/Sinemurian) black chert sequence from the Ikuno District, Tamba Terrane, Southwest Japan

### **LUNCH BREAK**

#### **5) InterRad 11 Proceedings (C.H.)**

The conference proceedings will be published as twin issues of "Micropaleontology" and "Stratigraphy" – a new peer-reviewed journals published by Micropaleontology Press. Both journals have the same formats and submission process, which can be viewed at: <http://micropress.org/>

- floor asked how many would be interested in publishing > approximately 50% of the people present.

Micropaleontology: papers are requested on the theme: radiolarian indicators of ocean change. Other papers on radiolarians may also be submitted. Chris Hollis and Dave Lazarus will be guest editors of this volume.

Stratigraphy: papers are sought on general Triassic themes and radiolarian stratigraphy. Hamish Campbell and Mike Orchard will be guest editors of this volume, with Emile Pessagno as chief editor. Short papers are preferred (no more than 10 journal pages).

If you wish to submit a conference proceedings paper, please consider the following time frame:

- Submit title by 28 April 2006 to [interrad@gns.cri.nz](mailto:interrad@gns.cri.nz)
- Submit pre-reviewed manuscript by 24 November 2006
- Receive back reviewed manuscript with editorial comments by 16 March 2007
- Submit revised manuscript by 29 June 2007 Publication by 30 September 2007

We will only accept papers that have been pre-reviewed by two colleagues (pre-review forms can be downloaded from <http://micropress.org/>) and revised following the pre-review recommendations prior to the submission deadline of 24 November.



## 6) Working group reports

### **Paleozoic: Patricia Whalen**

Need to retake individual contact with workers.

### **Mesozoic: Luis O'Dogherty**

Spela Gorican, Beth Carter, Paulian Dumitrica and Luis O'Dogherty will meet in Spain May 2006 for a revision of Mesozoic genera meeting. The results shall be a small publication for Triassic and another for Jurassic and Cretaceous genera.

- This does not overlap with J.P Caulet's work for RadWorld. RadWorld involves all literature. Whereas the Mesozoic working groups goal is to make decisions as to which published genera are ok.

### **Cenozoic: Annika Sanfilippo**

There were 21 participants in the Cenozoic working group meeting. Discussion included:

- Protocols for recording data as now there is little consistency.
  - To avoid duplication of efforts. Improve access to the literature (i.e. RadWorld translation of old German and Italian literature, scanning all old literature. Copyright problems discussed. Present day: use radiolaria.org database.)
  - IODP programme. To have a standardised dictionary, standardised taxonomic lists and catalogues online, through Neptune.
  - Foreman & Riedel catalogue (different to RadWorld which is digitalised with few subsequent revisions). No copyright problem, is available on paper, CD (2,550 USD) and microfiche. Currently expensive.
- > It was agreed that the first step is to develop a consistent taxonomy through the use of the web-based databases. Persons responsible:

Recent: Holocene: Hollis and Lazarus

Neogene: Lazarus

Palaeogene: ?

## 7) General business (secretarial tasks)

### **a) Expansion and development of official InterRad website (D.L.)**

It was proposed to ask Jane Dolven to host a permanent InterRad site on radiolaria.org, whilst pdfs of Radiolaria remain on the server at Bremen with the secretary.

> Discussion is needed with Jane Dolven.

### **b) Formalisation of association – constitution/bylaws. (Elsbeth Urquhart)**

> It is the wishes of the association members to formalise the association InterRad.

Such as the International Nannoplankton Association:

[http://www.nhm.ac.uk/hosted\\_sites/ina/ina/bylaws.html](http://www.nhm.ac.uk/hosted_sites/ina/ina/bylaws.html) , and the Paleontological Society:

<http://www.paleosoc.org/bylaw.html>

> Request: it would be designed for members therefore not too much bureaucracy please.

### **c) Affiliation with other organisations (e.g. TMS, NAMS) (D.L.)**

Generally InterRad is under represented. We should be well affiliated for publishing purposes.



> It is the wishes of the association to be well represented. First task is to search for existing associated societies.