

MINUTES (draft)
To be adopted at Sept 2021 meeting

Online IARA Board Meeting with Zoom
@ EAC Annual Conference

Wednesday, September 9, 2020; 2 pm Europe Time, 8 pm (China time), 8 am (US Central time)

1. Greetings and Introductions - Pratim Biswas, President presided over the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves. 20 members from different countries attended: Pratim Biswas, Murray Johnston, Anthony Wexler, and Amy Sullivan from USA, Nikolaos Mihalopoulos and Kostas Eleftheriadis from Greece, Junji Cao from China, James Allan from UK, Hiromu Sakurai and Atsushi Matsuki from Japan, T.C. Hsiao, Li-hao Yang from Taiwan, Otmar Schmid and Helmuth Horvath from Germany, Jussi Malila and Miikka Dal Maso from Finland, Gyula Kiss from Hungary, JL Castillo from Spain, unknow person (only email in the screen: mersm01@technion.ac.il).

2. Approval of Minutes (held at IAC 2019, Portland) – Junji Cao, Secretary distributed and circulated the draft minutes by email, and everybody reviewed them in advance. Pratim introduced and discussed the minutes from the meeting held during the AAAR 2019 in Portland, USA. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Presidents Message – New Normal – Pratim Biswas

Pratim emphasized the importance of joint online meeting during the COVID-19 pandemic. More representatives could attend as this was an online meeting. Annual Board Meeting is platform to exchange and improve the functionality of IARA. Member associations were encouraged to interact more, and suggestions were sought for other ideas. Any suggestion can also be sent to him by emails at any time.

4. Update on Awards

Two International Aerosol Fellows Selected – Report by Murray Johnston, Chair, Selection Committee

Two Recipient of the 2020 International Aerosol Fellow Award:

Yoshio Otani, Vice President for International Affairs and Professor, Kanazawa University
Stephen E. Schwartz, Senior Scientist Emeritus, Brookhaven National Laboratory

Every members approved the two recipients.

New Selection Committee to be formed (send suggestions to Pratim Biswas by November 2020)

5. Treasurer's Report – Amy Sullivan

Amy Sullivan, Treasurer, IARA provided an update on IARA's finances. Following up on old business, Don Clark did initiate a transfer of the 2 accounts he had overseen for IARA last year to AAAR. The funds got stuck in a hold. But AAAR did officially receive the funds in February 2020. AAAR opened a new checking account for IARA in November 2018. The account was opened with a transfer of funds from AAAR for what they owned IARA as host of the IAC in 2018, which was 3 times the amount of full registration. With the receiving of the funds from

Don's two account into the new IARA/AAAR account, as of June 30th the balance is \$6013.36. We have continued with the plan that if IARA has an invoice to be paid, they send it to AAAR and the Treasurer approves it for payment. The only invoice since the last Board Meeting was for renewal of the IARA website in December 2019. The website was renewed for 3 years for \$323.64. It was also noted that AAAR has a new Executive Director, John Lessard. John is filling the role previously held by Bill Carney. Amy is also finishing her term as Treasurer following the AAAR Conference in October. Allison Aiken will be rotating in as the new Treasurer.

6. Website Report – James Allan

James Allan reported the progress of website in the meeting. Any info about the awards, recipients, conferences are welcomed and updated in the IAC webpage. Some information such as the link of Chinese association need to be updated.

7. IAC 2022 – Athens, Greece – Report by Nikos Michalopoulos, Vice President, IARA IAC 2026 - China – Junji Cao

Nikos reported the progress of IAC 2022 at Athens, Greece on 4-9 September 2022. Short presentation about IAC2022 were presented. The IAC will be organized with Hellenic Association for Aerosol Research. Preparation about the IAC2022 run smoothly. Athens is a nice place to travel and warmly welcome the attendees from the world. The conference webpage is www.iac2022.gr.

Short introduction about IAC 2026 was presented by Prof. Junji Cao. Funding and financial supports were searched for the IAC 2026. Some companies have interests in the sponsorship. New and big conference hotels were developed at Xi'an and the IAC2026 conference facility will be updated also. Warmly welcome the attendees for IAC2026 from the world.

8. Other Items – All Present

Any further suggestion and comments can be sent to Prof. Biswas by email at any time.

9. Announcements of Aerosol Conferences and News

AAAR 2020 – Virtual (Oct 5-9, 2020): welcome attend the virtual conference.

AAC 2021 – Taipei, Taiwan (July 20-24, 2021):

Short presentation about the AAC2021 was presented by Prof. T.C. Hsiao. from Taiwan association.

10. Future IARA Board Meeting Locations

Taipei, Taiwan – July, 2021 (at Asian Aerosol Conference)

Athens, Greece - Aug 2022 (at 11th IAC 2022)

Attendees briefly introduced and discussed AAC2021 in Taipei, Taiwan and IAC 2022 in Athens, Greece.