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### MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE E.S.B. held on September 1, 1983 in Leuven, Belgium

The meeting started at 12.00 hours

Present : The Council

- G. Heimke, President
- C. Lee, Vice-president
- P. Ducheyne, Secretary
- P. van Mullem, Treasurer
- B. RAHN
- P. CHRISTEL
- H. PLENK
- 83/1 Welcome by Dr. G. Heimke, President
  In addition he asked for any additional agenda points, but none were raised from the floor.
- 83/2 The minutes of the G.A. of Hamburg were accepted.

#### 83/3 President's report

#### (addition HEIMKE)

Prof. BENICHOUX reminds the G.A. of the proposition of the collaboration with the European Society for Surgical Research. The President considers it valuable to look into this possibility on the basis of a listing of meeting to come. The president also suggests to stimulate the activities of the European International Liaison Committee.

Subsequently the President's report was accepted.

#### 83/4 Secretary's report

Membership:

1) Curve from 1980 to 1982 (Fig. 1). An effort was made to establish a listing of members in good standing.

From there a 43 % increase of membership is observable between April 1980 and September 1982. The Baden's World Meeting was followed by a rapid membership increase ("Baden effect").

2) Last year to now (Sunday August 28) new members : 38 of which 17 on a Leuven conference application form.

However, a renewed effort to establish a listing of effective members yielded a drop out of 34 members. The inclusion of JBMR in the membership fee structure could be partly responsible for this drop out, however the membership balance is positive (Fig. 2). The restructuring of our membership to get it aligned with our major sister societies has been successful. On experience should help to convince the others which have not yet done so, to act similarly to us. This will give a yet larger distribution of the journal which in turn has an impact on both quantity and quality of work in the field.

The secretary's report was accepted.

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#### 83/5 Treasurer's report

The balance per 20/8/1983 is added (see appendix 1). It was commented by the Treasurer. Dr. HEIMKE also pointed out that the dollar exchange rates was playing evil for the ESB budget, since the JBMR has to be paid in US \$. Individuals being member of two societies should get their issues in their country residence.

#### 83/6 Auditor's report

Dr. D.F. WILLIAMS report was accepted. He congratulated Dr. van MULLEM on an excellent book keeping (Appendix 2).

#### 83/7 The appointment of auditors

The council nominates T. Albrektson, U. Gross, Tranquili Leali.

Pr. J.L. Katz proposes to have continuity in the composition of the board of auditors. The result of the discussion is to consider this change for further statutes modifications. The proposed auditors are accepted.

#### 83/8 The membership fee

It is decided not to change the membership fee.

#### 83/9 The J.B.M.R. policy

Dr. PLENK informs the meeting that there is a three month period between reception and decision. However, he states that he does not have any influence on the date of acceptance.

16 % of the papers come from Europe.

Dr. PLENK urges the members to continue to submit papers. Dr. J. BLACK informs the meeting that there will be a thirty per cent increase of the member of pages, which will help to decrease the long time between acceptance and publication.

#### 83/10 Revision of statutes and byelaws

Dr. LEE proposes and comments the nearly drafted statutes and byelaws. An official address in Strasborg must still be proposed. The proposed new statutes and byelaws were approved.

#### 83/11 Presignation of Council and election of of a new Council

Prof. L. SEDEL proposes Prof. U. Gross, Dr. P. Griss and Dr. D. Williams. Pr. U. GROSS being appointed as auditors, is not eligible. P. DUCHEYNE leaving Europe for the University of Pensylvania is not candidate for election.

Candidates nominate by resigning council are P. CHRISTEL, G. HEIMKE, A.J. C. LEE, H. PLENK, B. RAHN, A. RAVAGLIOLI and P. Van MULLELM.

Thus members available for election are :

P. CHRISTEL, P. GRISS, G. HEIMKE, C. LEE, P. van MULLEM, H. PLENK, B. RAHN, A. RAVAGLIOLI, and D. WILLIAMS.

Secret ballot was used, leading to the following results:

CHRISTEL : 35

HEIMKE : 20

LEE : 32

PLENK : 38

RAHN: 28

RAVAGLIOLI : 27

VAN MULLEM : 37

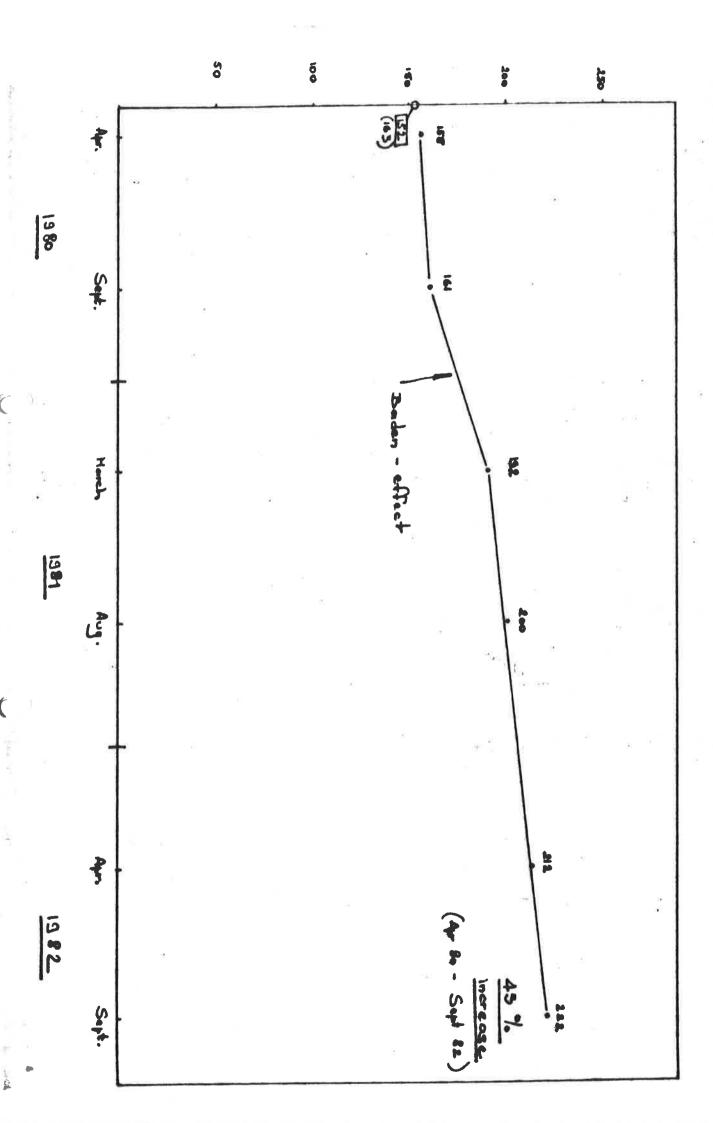
GRISS : 27

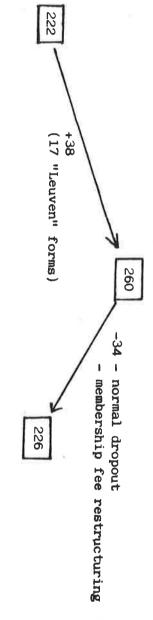
WILLIAMS : 24

According to these results the new council members are: P. CHRISTEL, P. GRISS, C. LEE, P. Van MULLEM, H. PLENK, B. RAHN, A. RAVAGLIOLI.

#### 83/12 Any other business

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### TIBBO

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Balance per 20-8-1983

Debit

## Dfl 9.000.00 Subscription fee JBMR \$ 3.000.-Major expenses to be expected

#### DECLARATION BY THE COMMITTEE OF AUDITORS

We, the members of the Committee of Auditors, hereby declare that we have audited the books and documents of the European Society for Biomaterials over the period from July 20th, 1982 to August 20th, 1983.

On the basis of our audit we are confident that an accurate record has been kept of the Society's finances and that the books closed on August 20th, 1983 represent a true statement of the facts.

Leuven, Belgium, August 30th, 1983.

Signed by:

Prof. Dr. K. de Groot

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Netherlands

Dr. G. Hastings

United Kingdom

Dr. D.F. Williams

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