

Minutes
Board meeting
BioEM Society

October 6 2022
6 pm – 8 pm (CET)

In attendance:

Online:

Luc Martens (LM)
Azadeh Peyman (AP)
Florence Poulletier (FPoulletier)
Niels Kuster (NK)
Anke Huss (AH)
Lucas Portelli (LP)
Frank Prato (FPrato)
Olga Zeni (OZ)
Bennett Ibey (BI)
Wout Joseph (WJ)

Absent:

Rich Nuccitelli (RN)

Present during their part of the agenda:

Item 4: Nikolaos Petroulakis present for the presentation BioEM2024 Crete
Item 4: Rob Kavet present for the presentation BioEM2024 Monterey
Item 5: Yasir Alfidhl (YA, TPC co-chair)
Item 8: Theodoros Samaras (TS) present for 1ste report EIC Bioelectromagnetics
Melanie De Coster (MD) present for making notes and reporting on website development.

1) Adoption of agenda

Agenda was adopted

2) Minutes of the 10th board meeting: approval

Meeting notes have been approved

3) Overview of the actions of Meetings #10

1. Action: AP to upload the meeting notes to BioEM website and send a message to the members that the meeting notes are available in BioEM website ✓
2. Action: AP, FPoulletier and NK to approach the proposed speakers from previous board meeting to see if they are interested to present a talk during BioEM 2023. ✓
3. Action: FPoulletier and YA to present the received proposals during the next board meeting. ✓
4. Action: FPoulletier and YA, deadline for Call for Ideas and Proposals for Plenary, Tutorials, and Workshop Sessions at BioEM 2023 to be extended from September 16th to September 30th ✓

5. Action: AP to forward the two proposals for BioEM 2024 to all board members ✓
6. Action: OZ to send the templates for publication on the website and a message to be sent to all members (via MD) ✓
7. Action: OZ to re-send the Erice school Memorandum of Understanding document to the board members, deadline next meeting ✓
8. Action: MD to update the board on progress of the website platform ✓
9. Action: NK to follow up the contracts with EiC and Wiley: **action for RN (LM will contact RN)**

4) BioEM 2024

a) Presentation of two proposals (Monterey proposal by Rich Nuccitelli, Crete proposal by Nikolaos Petroulakis)

- Vote
 - o Monterey
 - NK and IB
 - o Crete
 - WJ, AH, AP, FPoullietier, FPrato, OZ, LP
 - o Abstain
 - LM
- Action: To look for potential hosts for BioEM2025 in the US
 - o FPrato to contact his colleagues to find out if Canada can be a candidate

5) BioEM 2023

a) Plenary speakers, workshops, and tutorials: decisions

YA presented all submitted proposals to TPC.

- Action: TPC to rank the proposals based on their importance and status of the proposed speakers (Citation of 100.000 only applies to plenary speakers this will be presented to board for final decision during Board meeting #12, in November)
- OZ wants to contact a candidate for BioEM2023 (tutorial)

6) Update on Awards from awards committee

- 2 chairs for student awards BioEM2023 have been selected:
 - o AH and IB
- Arthur Pilla award
 - o AP will contact the daughter of Arthur Pilla for BioEM 2023
- Other awards
 - o To elaborate during BioEM2023 and make a decision on the followings:
 - A more prestigious young scientist award
 - Chaibrera
 - D'Arsonval

7) Finance

Postponed to November board meeting

8) Update on EiC and Wiley contract

Theo Samaras (EiC) made a presentation on his progress since he took the position. There has been lack of cooperation from Wiley during the take over process. The quality and selection process needs to be significantly improved by:

- New/more review editors
- Explicit quality criteria

Next steps

- Suggestion: A special issue with specific guidelines for papers and reviewers with emphasis on quality
 - o Support: AP, OZ, NK, IB
 - o TS plans a meeting and invites all board members to make a proposal regarding the special issue

9) Update on development of new website platform

Postponed to November board meeting

10) Review of decision list and actions list

- Action: RN (LM will contact RN) to follow up the contracts with EiC and Wiley
- Action: Fprato contacts his colleagues if Canada can be a candidate for BioEM2025
- Action: TPC will compile a ranking for the speakers by the next board meeting
- Action: OZ to contact a candidate for BioEM2023 (tutorial)
- Action AP will contact the daughter of Arthur Pilla for BioEM2023
- Action: TS plans a meeting and invites all board members to make a proposal regarding the special issue

11) AOB and Adjourn