

Monday, November 13, 2017 – 10:00—12:00

Real Academia de Ingeniería
Calle Don Pedro, 10, 28005 Madrid, España

Participation

EXCOM Members:

Dr. Elías Fereres (President)
Dame Ann Dowling (Past-President)
Acad. Eng. Lucio Cáceres (President-Elect)
Dr. Ruth David (Secretary/Treasurer)

Guests:

Hugh Barlow, ATSE
Matt Wenham, ATSE
Samantha Frost, RAEng
Andrew Clark, RAEng
Shane McHugh, RAEng
Adriana Gamboggi, ANIU
István Králik, Hungary
Magnus Breidne, IVA

1. Welcome and approval of agenda

- a. Remembrance: William J. Salmon

The president welcomed attendees to the Real Academia de Ingeniería facilities. He then offered praise for the long service of Bill Salmon, saying that Bill “caused CAETS to work – he was CAETS.” The agenda was approved as presented.

2. Approval of ExCom Minutes of 7 March 2017

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as presented. Regarding the London 2016 Statement, Dame Ann Dowling indicated that the primary product of the convocation was a video that has been widely viewed. A brief statement was posted on the RAEng website, but it has not yet been circulated to CAETS members; the Secretary/Treasurer will seek Council endorsement of the statement.

3. Report of the Secretary/Treasurer

- a. 2017 Dues Status
- b. 2018 Board Nominees
- c. 2019 Dues Schedule (3% increase previously approved)

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that all member countries had paid 2017 dues and that prior delinquencies had been remedied. Biographies for 2018 Board nominees were provided for information: Tuula Teeri (President-elect), IVA; Roger McCarthy, US NAE; Lucas P. J. J. Noldus,

AcTI.nl; Stane Pejovnik, IAS; István Králik, Hungary. The 2019 dues schedule, based on the previously approved 3% increase was provided for information.

4. 2017 Convocation: Challenges of the Bioeconomy

a. CAETS 2017 Statement

The president briefly reviewed the program for the 2017 Convocation, observing that a broad array of topics was being addressed; he observed that they had worked hard to attract young professionals. The statement will be drafted after the meeting.

5. 2018 CAETS Annual Meeting: 10-14 September 2018, Montevideo, Uruguay

The President-elect indicated that planning was well-underway for the 2018 meeting. A technical committee had been formed, the venue was booked, and logistics were organized. The key theme for the convocation is sustainable agriculture and forestry, which is of critical importance to Uruguay as well as other nations that are commodity producers in this industry. The program is being organized under the general theme of “Engineering a Better World.” CAETS member countries will be invited to provide speakers; he also will target outreach to other Spanish-speaking countries, hoping to increase their participation in CAETS.

6. 2019 CAETS Annual Meeting: 24-28 June 2019, Stockholm, Sweden

Magnus Breidne, IVA, provided a brief information item regarding planning for the 2019 annual meeting. A local organizing committee has been formed; CAETS member academies will be invited to participate. IVA is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2019 so it has adopted a cross-cutting theme for the meeting of “Engineering A Better World – the Next 100 Years!!”

7. New Business

No new business was introduced.

Transition to Closed Session

8. Change to Bylaws (CAETS membership)

The previously agreed upon Bylaws change was endorsed for presentation to the Council:

ARTICLE 2 – Council Membership

Section 4 – Procedures for Admission of New Members

Applications for admission will normally be accepted for consideration no earlier than three years after the official date of establishment of the applicant, with Council flexibility for up to 5 years in its discretion.

9. Membership Application Pending: Pakistan

a. Visiting Committee

After discussion, EXCOM Members agreed that alternate due diligence mechanisms would be used to satisfy that Pakistan had met CAETS membership requirements in lieu of an on-site visit.

Council members would be polled for their assistance in making queries; such due diligence would be conducted well in advance of the 2018 meeting.

10. Membership Application Update: New Zealand

A brief information item was provided regarding the restructuring underway in the New Zealand Academy to enable the Engineering component to apply for CAETS membership.

11. CAETS Membership Expansion

EXCOM members briefly discussed potential opportunities to expand CAETS membership in Asia, Latin America, Europe, and Singapore. The Secretary/Treasurer agreed to solicit inputs from CAETS members and compile relevant information prior to the 2018 annual meeting.

The CAETS EXCOM meeting was adjourned.