

International Commission on the Taxonomy of Fungi
General Meeting
Minutes

International Mycological Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico
Tuesday, 17 July, 2018

Members present: Conrad Schoch (President), Andrew Miller (Executive Vice-President), Keith Seifert (Past Chair), Takayuki Aoki, Pedro Crous, Wilhelm de Beer, David Hawksworth, Peter Johnson, Ning Zhang, Tom May, Scott Redhead, Amy Rossman, Marc Stadler, Cathie Aime, Robert Lücking, David Geiser

Regrets: Gaddam Bagyanarayana, Lei Cai, Luis Gusmao, Marco Thines, Kevin Hyde

Guests: Michael J. Wingfield

The meeting started at 12h40pm.

1. ICTF working groups (Conrad)

Discussion: Conrad discussed newly formed working groups (http://www.fungaltaxonomy.org/files/6815/1881/0192/ICTF_Groups_2018.pdf). Members of each group should decide on a coordinator or co-coordinators to get the groups started. Each group should write a brief goal of 2-3 sentences. Working Group #12 (Changes to the ICN) should be removed since their goal has been completed at this IMC. The deadline for completing the goals of these groups should be extended out six months, which will be discussed at the next ICTF meeting. Some action is already happening with the Nagoya protocol. Marc will send out a manuscript commentary piece dealing with aspects of the Nagoya protocol to ICTF.

Action item

What: Decide on coordinator(s) for each group and 2-3 sentence goal for each group; Andy to send out email to each group.

Who: Andy

When: by August 1, 2018

2. Previous working groups (Conrad)

Discussion: Andy read each group and members commented on whether or not each working group should continue or be terminated (<http://www.fungaltaxonomy.org/subcommissions/>). All groups can be terminated since papers have been published regarding 1F=1N, but many can be reconstituted by Group #7 (Coordination of protected genus lists and of taxonomic working groups) to work on lists of genera in their specific taxa. We then discussed having a single taxonomy for the higher classification of Fungi. Previous working groups could reconstitute into

groups to work on names lists. A working group should be established to scope out what we want for a single classification.

Action item

What: Create a working group for a single taxonomic classification for Fungi; Andy to send out email to ICTF.

Who: Andy

When: by August 1, 2018

3) New members

Discussion: Luis Gusmao has stepped down from the ICTF along with Priscilla Chaverri. We need new younger taxonomists from underrepresented taxonomic groups and countries. David Geiser also agreed to step down and help to find a replacement. Keith noted there are few people representing Basidiomycota. Twelve new members have been suggested and all have agreed to serve if elected. ICTF has no mechanisms for ranking potential members, so a slate of four candidates will be selected by the Executive and offered to the membership for voting.

Action item

What: Narrow group of 13 down to four candidates for election of membership to ICTF.

Who: ICTF Executive (President, Vice-President, and Executive V-P)

When: by September 1, 2018

4) Vice-President and President tenure

Discussion: This item will be discussed at our next meeting in October. [New development: Cathie Aime has agreed to serve as ICTF Executive Vice-President.]

Action item

What: Send out invitation for nominations for ICTF Vice-President position

Who: Andy

When: by August 1, 2018

5) Letter of recommendation for Andrey Yurkov

Discussion: No objections were voiced to sending Andrey a letter of recommendation for joining the ICY (International Commission on Yeasts) on behalf of the ICTF.

Action item

What: Send Andrey the letter of recommendation.

Who: Andy

When: by August 1, 2018

6) Other business

Discussion: Set up another ICTF meeting for October 2018.

Action item

What: Set up meeting in October 2018.

Who: Andy

When: by September 1, 2018

The meeting ended at 13h40pm.

Minutes approved by email vote on 1 August 2018.