IUPS Executive Committee
Teleconference Meeting
Minutes
September 21, 2011

1. Approval of minutes of August 22, 2011 Executive Committee meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. APS and Physiology

P. Hunter, one of the IUPS representatives on the Joint Managing Board (JMB), thinks it is important to get a clear understanding with APS before the next JMB meeting or editor selection. M. Gordon added that IUPS should ask for the JMB to meet right away. A video conference will be arranged for D. Noble, President and JMB members, P. Hunter and T. Wang.

Action: D. Noble will set up a date and time for a video conference with P. Hunter and T. Wang.

3. Ratification of amendment to form Board of GA

Since the IUPS Council has approved the subject and wording of the proposed amendment, it is now ready to take the next step. Neither The Physiological Society nor the American Physiological Society has submitted other proposals after reviewing the amendment. It was agreed to go ahead with Board of General Assembly amendment and send it to the General Assembly (GA) delegates. It was decided that December 15, 2010 would be the last date to submit a vote.

L. Price will write a cover letter to the GA delegates and attach the amendment and Article V of the constitution. The cover letter will state that the IUPS Executive Committee and Council will conduct the voting as close to the intent of Article V as they can with email. The list of delegates
to the Kyoto Congress will be used to decide who should receive the message about the proposed amendment. The email will also be cc’d to all the adhering bodies. The delegates will be asked to verify that they are still the delegates for their society. If they are no longer the representative, the name of the current person will be requested. They will be asked to consult with whomever they need to before sending IUPS their vote. Inform them that all adhering bodies have a vote and that 2/3 of the responses will decide the outcome.

The information about the proposed amendment and the vote should be posted on the IUPS website so it is widely known. There should also be an announcement of the constitutional amendment and how the subject of the amendment will be handled.

D. Noble has been asked by the Physiological Society of India to speak at their conference about the amendment creating the Board of the General Assembly.

**Action:** L. Price will write a cover letter to the GA delegates and attach the amendment and Article V of the constitution. It will be sent to the ExCo for approval before going to the delegates.

**Action:** [I didn't complete the sentence for this. Please let me know exactly what it was. It had to do with a committee. Thank you.]

4. **Time table for Nominating Committee**

It was decided that the time table for the Nominating Committee and new Council members should be sent to Council. They need to be asked for suggestions for members of the Nominating Committee. The interim Board of the General Assembly will be eligible to elect ½ of the members of the Nominating Committee.

**Action:** L. Price will send the time table for the Nominating Committee and new Council members to Council asking for suggestions.

5. **Web site**

Since M. Rupnik, chair of the communications and website committee, has not sent a proposal for redesigning the IUPS website, L. Price was asked to contact him. She is to tell him that if she does not receive his proposal by October 14, then the Executive Committee will be looking at other options. She is also to include that if he is not able to do the redesign because of time constraints, then that is all right with the Executive Committee.

W. Boron offered to have IUPS use the structure of his department website which is being created by D. Huffman.

**Action:** L. Price will email M. Rupnik about the website.
6. Other business

There was no other business.

7. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held in October at 2 pm ET to accommodate P. Hunter and his time zone.