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## IUPS Board of the General Assembly Teleconference Meeting February 8, 2017

### *Minutes*

*Present:* J. Chan, J. Sengupta, S. Barman, L. Csernoch, S. Makaula, CH. Leem, L. Peltonen, N. Belova, S. Webster

*With regrets:* P. Balaban, L. Filaretova

#### 1. Review of January 16 meeting minutes.

The minutes were approved, with one change in wording.

#### 2. Call for Nominations to Board of General Assembly

The BGA approved S. Webster's draft Call for Nominations as written. He was instructed to post the Call on the IUPS website and disseminate it to the mailing list. S. Barman asked if language should be included to specify which countries should nominate members to ensure a geographical balance of membership. BGA members agreed that it would be best to be all inclusive.

#### 3. Responses to BGA Questionnaire

S. Webster reported that 22 responses to the BGA Questionnaire had been collected, 3 from the web form and the rest via email. J. Sengupta stated that she has reached out to additional 21 Societies for their responses. She asked that BGA members contact those in their networks to complete the Questionnaires.

#### 4. Discussion of Responses Analysis, and setting deadline for 1<sup>st</sup> draft.

S. Barman reported that she had assigned members of the-BGA into working groups to discuss the responses to the questionnaire. S. Webster was requested to combine the answers into one easy-to-use document. Once the working groups complete their analyses, J. Sengupta and S. Barman would combine them into one draft document. J. Sengupta asked if a deadline for completion of the first draft should be set. S. Barman stated the first draft should be completed by the end of March. J Sengupta requested BGA members to have a look while preparing the BGA draft response at the IUPS Final Long Range Plan dated 15 May, 2008 in which Appendix 1 summarizes Responses to Questionnaire. An important consideration noted by L. Peltonen that responses received by the BGA and its members from the IUPS

Member Societies through the Questionnaire should remain confidential and is to be used for the original purpose by the BGA and for that purpose only.

5. Any other business

S. Webster reminded the BGA of the Call for Proposals to Host the 2025 Congress. He stated the due date for the first round was February 15<sup>th</sup>.

S. Webster informed the BGA of the new IUPS Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/InternationalUnionOfPhysiologicalSciences/> He encouraged those with Facebook accounts to share the page with colleagues.