

**IBEF Council meeting at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington D.C.
30th October 2004 at 12.00 Hrs.**

In the chair: Bert Jan Lommerts BJL
Executive Director: Alain Le Coroller ALC
Technical Director: Jean Claude Roffe JCR
Gaylon Baumgardner GB
Tim Jobling Purser TJP

In attendance:

President AEMA Myles McKemie M McK
Treasurer AEMA Bob Koleas BK

Apologies:-

An apology was received from Snr. Carlo Giovanni who was unavoidably detained in Rome. It was noted that since its creation, this was the first meeting of the IBEF council that Snr Giovanni was unable to attend.

The president BJL welcomed M McK and BK, attending the council on behalf of AEMA who were in Washington for the 2004 International Symposium on Asphalt Emulsion Technology.

The minutes of the council meeting in Vienna on the 12th May 2004 were approved.

The draft interim accounts for the 9 months to 30th September 2004 were distributed by ALC and were duly approved.

The budget for 2005 will be tabled at the next council meeting in April 2005.

Membership enlargement was being discussed with: - Turkey, Greece, Germany, Poland, Spain, Ireland, Mexico, Brazil, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Thailand.

Association Activities:-

ALC reported that in France, highway issues were being moved from Central to Local Government. SFERB are building closer relationships with AEMA. They are both in the process of preparing the groundwork for a study on environmental issues. This will be a totally independent report carried out by professional consultants.

TJP reported that FORSTA, the UK's Federation of Road Surface Treatment Associations were scheduled to meet in London on the 18th January 2005 to agree the members' future strategy regarding issues with the British Government on Highway maintenance.

GB raised the subject of the need to reconcile international congresses as the costs were of concern to a lot of members globally. He informed the council that there will be a joint AGM of AEMA, ISSA and ARRA in Bal Harbour, Florida 2nd -5th March 2005 and hoped that there would be strong interest in attending by international members.

BJL reported that his company had distributed Environmental information to 2000 local Government bodies in Holland and that subsequently 700 interested parties will visit his company's plant during the year.

Expert Task Group:-

TJP reported that a paper on velocity patching should be prepared in time for the next council meeting.

JCR is to coordinate the task group reports for the next meeting as well.

International Congress 2006:-

Colas, Shell, Exxon/Mobil, Nynas, SECA and Westvaco are reported by ALC to be the underwriters of the congress, scheduled to be in the Lyon in the fall of 2006.

The organisers are estimating a budget of €1.5m which they hope to recover by way of 50% registration, 25% exhibitions and 25% sponsorship.

ALC informed the council that he would be retiring as chairman of SFERB at the end of 2005.

It was proposed by GB and seconded by BJL that TJP be appointed to the council of IBEF as an independent member. TJP was most grateful for this invitation and subject to the approval of the REA council, would be honoured to accept the IBEF appointment.

Next Meeting:-

Copthorne Hotel, Newcastle upon Tyne 13th April 2005. The REA invites the IBEF council to dinner in the Copthorne Hotel on the evening of 12th April.