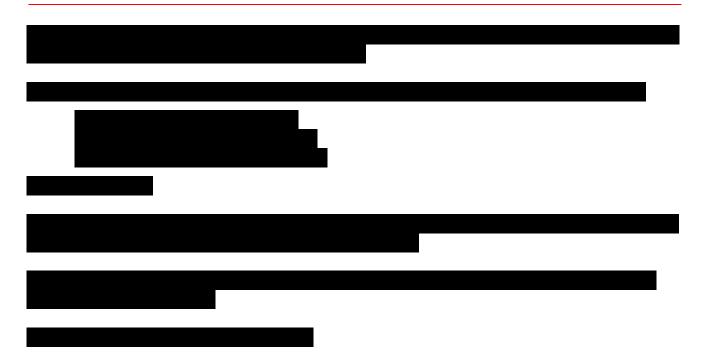
To: DDA Committee Date: 31 March 1998

From: Marc Murison, DDA Secretary

Subj: 1997 DDA Minutes, 1997-98 membership changes, 1998 DDA elections

Minutes of the Committee Meeting, April 13, 1997



Minutes of the Business Meeting, April 15, 1997

- 1. Many thanks to the local hosts (Otto Franz, Alice Monet, Tim??).
- 2. In future DDA meetings, the abstract fee will be included in the registration fee. This will start with the 1998 meeting.
- 3. Election results:

Chair: J. Hills
Vice Chair: F. Benedict
Secretary: M. Murison
Treasurer (continuing): P. Shelus

new Committee Members: D. Mink, D. Pascu, W. van Altena

returning Committee Members: J. Lissauer, B. Jacobson (filling the remainder of

X. Newhall's term), D. Richstone

- 4. Secretary's report: none (A. Whipple unable to attend 1997 meeting).
- 5. Treasurer's report:

year end balance (1996): \$11,208.01year beginning balance: \$10,425.15

- Brouwer account: from \$830.09 to \$857.03 - Brouwer balance: from \$29,531 to \$31,825

- The DDA is in good shape, financially.
- The Brouwer award is \$2000, as of last year.
- Student stipend awards: \$400 plus meeting fees.

- 6. Brouwer Awardee: Scott Tremaine. Citation read by K. Seidelmann.
- 7. K. Seidelmann retiring as BASC Chair. T. de Zeeuw is new BASC Chair.
- 8. Al Harris announced that the DPS now announces their prize winners a year in advance, following the DDA model.
- 9. Phil Ianna provided information regarding the 1998 meeting in Charlottesville, VA. Proposed dates are April 1-3. There was a request for no 8:00 am start, in deference to the West Coast attendees.
- 10. Future meetings were announced: 1999 in Estes Park, CO; 2000 in Yosemite; and 2001 in Kingsville, TX.
- 11. Al Harris proposed joint DPS/DDA sessions at meetings (AAS?) in order to raise the visibility of each Division to the other.
- 12. Al Fiala: poll of importance of staying Saturday nights (for DDA handbook). Al Harris: the DPS is split on this issue.
- 13. Roy Laubscher raised the issue of the formalism to follow regarding meeting site choice: who's responsible for carrying through the process? Who sends/requests a formal invitation to whom?
 - Doug Richstone: were there complaints regarding Yosemite last year? (No, there were none.)
 - Alice Monet: the DDA membership wants to be kept informed.
 - Al Harris: the DPS used an exit poll last time.
 - Al Fiala: the invitation must go through the Business Meeting.
- 14. A show of hands resulted in overwhelming support for Estes Park as the site for the 1999 meeting.
- 15. Meeting adjourned.

1998 DDA Elections

The 1998 DDA elections got off to a late start this year. There are several reasons for this, including the nomination process running ~6 weeks behind, bad timing for travel by the Secretary, and the need to allow up to 5 weeks for round trip postal times for our international members. If all of our members were to have e-mail, election time schedules could be vastly improved. Be that as it may, ballots were mailed (and e-mailed in mid-March, with a deadline for receipt of marked ballots by the Secretary of April 22, 1998. Election results will be reported by April 24, 1998.

DDA Membership Changes

Deceased: 1 (Victor Szebehely)

Retired: 1 (P. Janiczek)

Resigned: 0

New: 10 (J. Arabadjis, U. Mich; T. Fukushima, NAOJ; W. Hayes, U. Toronto; B. Mason,

USNO; L. Ozernoy; K. Rauch, U. Maryland; T. Steiman-Cameron, NASA/Ames; N. Haghighipour, U. Missouri-Columbia; D. N. C. Lin, UCO/Lick; G. Black,

Cornell)

Pending new: 1 (M. Cahill, U. Wisc.)

Total membership: 194 regular members.

Members with valid email: 158

Respectfully submitted,

Marc A. Murison