

**ESST Scientific Committee Meeting,
18 May 2009, Rotterdam**

Minutes

To: Members of the ESST-SC
From: Jürgen Bruhns and Jan Maarten de Bruijn

Start 9 h 30 End 11 h15

Participants

M. Bruhns
Z. Bubnik
P. Burroughs
J. M. de Bruijn
T. Frankenfeld
S. Frenzel
W. Hein
J. Jensen
P. Kadlec
A. Muller
G. Parkin
G. Pezzi
G. Schrevel
K. Urbaniec
D. Vermeulen
M. Walter
A. J. Waterlander
A. Wittenberg
M. Wojtczak
D. Wullbrandt

J. Bruhns (Secretary)

The President of the Scientific Committee J. M. de Bruijn opened the session and welcomed the guests Ad Muller and Arend Wittenberg (Cosun/Suiker Unie), who presented a paper at the end of the meeting.

1. Report of secretary and President on ESST board and Conference programme committee

See 2008 Report of the ESST Secretary for details on general ESST matters.

The CPC held 3 meeting, including 2 phone conferences. Over 30 papers were submitted for presentation, from which 21 papers were selected for oral presentation.

The others were proposed to be presented as posters. In addition J. Joseph and P. Rein were invited for giving an introduction to the sessions energy and sustainability. A. Markusse, General Director of Suiker Unie, was invited for a plenary lecture to open the conference.

2. Subcommittees

Working group on Analytical Tools for Process Control.

The members of the SC had received a memo by N.K.. Andersen together with the agenda of this meeting.

John Jensen gave an explanation of the memo. He mentioned that the date of the first meeting should probably be after the campaign, i.e. in 2010. Certain suppliers will be invited to this meeting and a questionnaire will be sent out shortly by Nordic Sugar. The Chairman of the subcommittee on Measurement and Process Control Anne-Jacob Waterlander welcomed the proposal of Niels K. Andersen and mentioned that both groups could be combined. There was no meeting of the M&PC subcommittee in 2008 and no meeting is planned for 2010. He thinks that efforts should be put into organising the proposed workshop.

Thomas Frankenfeld gave a short report on the work of the subcommittee "Energy and Technique", which met several times over the last years.

John Jensen asked for short explanations on the tasks of the subcommittees, which could be put on the website.

3. Book Sugar Technology.

J. Bruhns asked whether the members think a new updated edition of Sugar Technology should be printed. Most of the chapters are based on about 20year old knowledge.

There was no real consent in this respect. Main problem would be to find the necessary resources to take care of the update. P. Burroughs mentioned, that a simpler, more practical book would be more suitable. It was also suggested to publish a kind of supplement which then could cover the developments during the last 10-20 years.

4. Membership

The President informed the members that the following members resigned or have to be removed from the membership list due to changes in their position

Prof. Accorsi	Resigned
Prof. Mantovani	Resigned
Prof. Vaccari	Resigned
Prof. Urbaniec	Resigned
Dr. Schick	Resigned
Prof. Kurz	left university
Sasia	now Novasep

Prof. Kadlec said that despite his semi-retirement he would like to stay member of the SC, but his membership continuation will be linked to the nomination of E. Sarka. J. Bruhns will contact Prof. Dandar on his membership. Note: He is still working in the University and wants to stay on the SC.

According to the Secretary and the President Mary An

Godshall has also retired. The Secretary will contact her.

New Members proposed are:

Evzen Sarka
Arend Wittenberg
Richard Dandar
Vadim Kochergin
Remy Aubry
Terry McGillivray
Jan Struijs
Barbara Rogers

Additional information is still needed for some of the above-mentioned nominees and their nomination has to be supported by current SC members.

As soon as all the required information on potential new members for the SC is collected, there will be an email vote on the new membership

5. Next Meeting

The next SC meeting will be on Wednesday, 14 July 2010, in Berlin, which will be adjacent to the 2010 General Assembly of ICUMSA, Berlin

It was proposed to have several discussion groups on certain themes

6. Miscellaneous

M. Bruhns proposes collaboration between the members on beet quality. He thinks, that beet quality is one of the major problems of the beet sugar industry. J. M. de Bruijn referred to the IIRB working group on beet quality. This might be a good opportunity to organize a joint meeting between those interested in this matter within IIRB and ESST.

J. Jensen proposed a notification of members on changes of website

The President mentioned the themes discussed in Reims last year. Prof. Mathlouthi has prepared a questionnaire, which up to now has not been sent to the members of the SC.

The coming Berlin professorship was discussed. Members of the SC have already given lectures for the courses in Berlin. The individual sugar companies have to decide, what their intent in respect to education of sugar technologists is.

The President notified the members, that he had contacted CEFS concerning possible cooperation in respect to scientific questions. They are happy to get support on technical issues from SC experts, but have indicated that no permanent technology group will be created within CEFS for this purpose. Communication between CEFS and ESST will be continued when appropriate.