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Annual Meeting of the ECA Council State College, PA, USA July 12. 2016

1. Welcome address

Wilhelm Frohs, chairman of the ECA, welcomed the representatives of each European Carbon Group present during Carbon 2016 at State College:

Malcolm Heggie, Anthony Wickham (United Kingdom)
Maria Jesús Lázaro, José Rodríguez Mirasol (Spain)
Wilhelm Frohs, Wolfgang Klose (Germany)
Roland Pellenq (France)
Elzbieta Frackowiak, Francois Beguin (Poland)

Guest :

Joaquim Luis Bernades Martins de Faria (Portugal)

The Ukrainian Carbon Group representatives were absent from the meeting. Mykola Kartel had excused the absence with the current political situation in Ukraine.

1. Agenda

The proposed agenda of the meeting was accepted and extended by one point, which was the Kroto Fund:

- Welcome
- Approval of the minutes July 14. 2015, Dresden, Germany
- ECA membership of the Portuguese Carbon Group
- Carbon Conferences
 - USA, State College, 2016
 - Spain, Madrid, 2018
 - UK, London, 2021
- ECA website
- National Carbon Group Activities 2016
- Others





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2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2015 ECA Council Meeting in Dresden, Germany July 14. 2015

The Minutes of the 2015 ECA Council Meeting in Dresden were sent to the national representatives by e-mail and approved by the participants of the ECA Council Meeting at State College.

3. Kroto Medal and Fund

The committee unanimously agreed that the passing of Sir Harold Kroto should be commemorated by a prestigious medal endowed by a fund to be raised from the carbon community. Although the details of this Fund have not been settled yet, ECA supports the principle of this idea. A more detailed discussion was delegated to the World Carbon Council.

4. ECA Membership of Portugal

The ECA received a letter dated October 16. 2015 from Prof. Figueiredo, University of Porto requesting that the Portuguese Carbon Group be allowed to join the ECA. Joaquim de Faria, being present as a guest at this meeting, answered questions about the organization and the number of members of the Portuguese Carbon Group. The prospective membership of this group was welcomed. However, to treat interested groups equally, it was decided that the president of ECA write a formal letter to the Portuguese Group with the formal principles for joining.

5. Carbon Conferences

Carbon Conference 2016, State College 2016

This was a successful and well organized conference, in one of the homes of carbon science. Apart from the first day, when attendees struggled with the way the schedule was presented and the attendees were ready for lunch before the hotel was, the meeting ran smoothly. Unfortunately, numerous speakers did not show up which caused frequent reorganizations of the program with many off times. It was strongly recommended by all ECA participants to approve an oral lecture only after the payment of the conference fee to guarantee the appearance in person of the speaker.

Carbon Conference 2018

The next World Carbon conference to take place in Europe (2018) will be organized in Madrid, Spain July 1st – 6th. Information was given by the Spanish leader of the carbon group, Mrs. Maria Jesús Lázaro. The meeting





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will take place at the Conference Center; Marriot Auditorium with a capacity for more than 1000 persons. The conference fee will around 750 €.

Carbon Conference 2021

On behalf of the British Carbon Group, Malcolm Heggie and Tony Wickham presented the outline of this conference to take place in London, UK at the Imperial College. The Great Hall has a max. capacity 750 participants. The conference fee will be at about 750 €. Discounts will be given for students and retirees. The proposal of the British group was confirmed by all ECA participants.

6. ECA website

The Polish group will manage the ECA website.

7. Events Organized by ECA Members

The French Carbon Group (GFEC) - events organized/planned, 2016

- The 2017 “Colloque Francophone du Carbone” will be held at the Centre CAES-CNRS “la Vieille Perrotine” on Oleron Island, from Sunday May 21st till Wednesday May 24th 2017: Organisation: Alain Penicaud [penicaud@crpp-bordeaux.cnrs.fr] / Gérard Vignole [gerard.vignoles@u-bordeaux.fr]
- The seventh international conference on CARBON FOR ENERGY STORAGE AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION : CESEP'17 conference will be held in Lyon (France) from October 23rd to 26th 2017. Organisation: Laurent Duclaux [laurent.duclaux@univ-smb.fr] and Alfonso San Miguel [alfonso.san-miguel@univ-lyon1.fr]
- The third edition of the summer school “Raman Spectroscopy of carbon nanostructure, Montpellier, June 12th – 18th 2017: <http://www.coulomb.univ-montp2.fr/Ecole-d-Initiation-a-la-Diffusion-392>. Organisation: Eric Anglaret [eric.anglaret@umontpellier.fr]

The German Carbon Group (AKK) - events organized, 2016

- Spring Meeting, April 26. 2016 at SGL Carbon GmbH, Meitingen , Germany, “Kohlenstoffmaterialien für die elektroenergetische Zukunft”





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- European Course on Carbon Materials, TU Dresden, Institut für Leichtbau und Kunststofftechnik, ILK, April 7. – 8. 2016
- Fall Meeting, 1st German-Chinese Symposium, “Development and Technology of Carbon Materials”, Fritz-Haber-Institut of the MPG, Berlin, November 14. – 16. 2016

The British Carbon Group (BCG) - events organized, 2016

- Science and Engineering in Collaboration to Support Safe Operation of the Graphite Reactor Cores, was organized at The Grand Harbour Hotel, Southampton with sponsorship from the UK nuclear industry, 10-12 May, 2016.
- “Harry: the fullerene legacy” a meeting to celebrate the scientific legacy of Professor Sir Harry Kroto FRS NL. Sussex University, Brighton. 26th August 2016
- NanoteC16 (Nanotechnology in Carbon and Related Materials) was organized by and at Trinity College Dublin 31 August - 03 September, sponsored by BCG.
- The seventeenth International Nuclear Graphite Specialists Meeting (INGSM-17) was hosted by the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, 4th -8th September and organized under the auspices of the BCG.

The Spanish Carbon Group (GEC) – events organized, 2015-2016

- XIII Meeting of the Spanish Carbon Group (22-24 October 2015), Alicante, Spain.
- XXV anniversary of the Spanish Carbon Group (14-16 September 2016), Zaragoza, Spain
- Cycle of Conferences (14 September-28 November 2016), Zaragoza, Spain.

The Polish Carbon Group (PCS) - events organized 2016,

- IX Scientific -Technical Conference, Carbon Materials and Polymer Composites, Ustron-Jaszowiec, 20-22 April, 2016

