

# Minutes of the 50<sup>th</sup> IChO Jury meetings

## Slovakia and Czech Republic, July 19-29, 2018

### July 21, Saturday evening, Jury Meeting 1

1. Steering Committee (SC) report
2. Call for nominations to the SC
3. Discussion of practical problems

### July 23, Monday evening, Jury Meeting 2

1. Discussion of theoretical problems in two parallel sessions.

### July 26, Thursday evening, Jury Meeting 3

1. Chair of the International Olympiad of Linguistics gave a short talk about their Olympiad and asked mentors to help to publicize the Linguistics competition in their country.
2. Important announcements:
  - a. Registration fee, including observers and guests, must be paid in full.
  - b. During the exam, there were few cases where students did not follow the exam instructions. All participants must be aware that this will have serious repercussions.
3. The head of Scientific Committee, Petra Menova announced that during the theoretical exam there was an exclusion of a student and a 20% points deduction for a student due to unfair competition and violation of the exam instructions, respectively.
4. SC member election will be held at 4th Jury meeting. This is the last call for the nominations.
5. Report on financial support and future distribution procedures

Total of 9500 USD (2500 from IUPAC, 2000 from Chemical Society of Japan (CSJ), 3000 from Chinese Chemical Society Located in Taipei (CSLT), and 2000 from International Olympiad Foundation (IOF of UAE).

Country M. asked and received for 25% of its registration fee.

Countries C, M, P, S, T, U, and V received 82.5% of their registration fee.

Country A. received 50% of its registration fee.

Total fund expecting for 2019 is \$10,500 USD (\$2,500 from IUPAC, \$2,000 from CSJ, \$2,000 from CSLT, \$2,000 from IOF of UAE and \$2,000 from American Chemical Society (ACS)).

#### **Application deadline for next year is March 31, 2019**

4. Propose to set a new registration fee uniform across all participating countries (covering up to 4 students and 2 mentors)

The international Jury endorsed the proposal to raise the country registration fee to \$3,000 USD, of which \$500 will be allocated for financial aid support of countries in need.

5. Proposed regulation changes

Will be discussed in 4<sup>th</sup> Jury meeting

## 6. Practical exam results review

No abnormal results.

## July 27, Friday evening, Jury Meeting 4

### 1. SC member election

Current members (Europe):

Gábor Magyarfalvi, Hungary

Ben Pilgrim, UK

Newly elected members

Asia: I-Jy Chang, Taiwan

America: JL Kiappes, USA

General: Petra Menova, Czech Republic

Alexandr Gladilin, Russia

Chair: Gábor Magyarfalvi, Hungary

### 2. Mentor from Israel brought up an issue on student's final points.

Jury approved that when both side (Scientific committee and Mentor) have signed the final points for the students during arbitration, the points are final unless more points will be given to the students.

### 3. Reports from future Olympiad hosts

2019, Paris France, July 21-30

2021, Osaka Japan, July 24-Aug 2

### 4. Proposal to host future Olympiad

2020, Konya, Turkey Approved by the Jury.

2023, Zurich, Switzerland Approved by the Jury.

2025, United Arab Emirates (UAE) Approved by the Jury.

### 5. Proposed Regulation Change

The proposal of automatic medal awarding was endorsed by the Jury as well as several minor changes.

New regulation can be found at

<http://www.ichosc.org/documents-of-the-icho/regulations>

### 6. Medal awarding approved by the Jury:

35 gold, 65 silver and 95 bronze medals were awarded. 10 Honorable mention were awarded.