

Minutes of 1988 annual business meeting of ISGIDAR, Cape Cod, MA
June 27, 1988. Secretary: Harriet de Wit

Treasurer David Downs reported that the current balance of the ISGIDAR account is \$1777.44, which includes \$510. collected at this year's meeting.

President Nancy Ator reported that for the second year there were no submissions for the Student Paper Competition Award. ISGIDAR members are strongly encouraged to publicize the availability of these travel funds to doctoral students or recent graduates. (Details on eligibility and application procedures are described in this Newsletter.)

President Ator updated members on the current status of the new federal animal care regulations. ISGIDAR members will be notified as soon as a new draft of the regulations is available, so that they can submit their comments on the proposed revisions. Bill Woolverton reported that he, Patrick Beardsley, Marilyn Carroll and Nancy Ator have prepared a manuscript discussing the issue of "psychological well-being" of laboratory animals, in anticipation of the proposed regulation on this topic. This manuscript is available to ISGIDAR members from Bill Woolverton (Dept of Pharmacological and Physiological Sciences, University of Chicago, 947 E 58th St, Chicago, IL 60637).

It was announced that ISGIDAR would meet in 1989 at Keystone, Colorado, the week of June 19. As usual, ISGIDAR will meet as a satellite session of the Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence. There was some discussion as to the future of joint meetings with the Society for Stimulus Properties of Drugs. There was a consensus that the identity of ISGIDAR should be preserved, and that our traditional meeting day (the day preceding CPDD) should be continued. As a mechanism for broadening the base of ISGIDAR participation, Marilyn Carroll moved and John Roach seconded that we offer five \$100 honorariums to speakers who would be invited to the meeting. Members can submit names of such speakers to ISGIDAR officers, who will select from the submitted suggestions. It was agreed that the areas of research interest of these invited speakers may be broader than that usually represented at ISGIDAR, including, for example, alcohol/alcoholism research or other topics that are of interest to ISGIDAR and CPDD. Members were all in favor of this motion.

ISGIDAR has been invited by Vice-President Tomoji Yanagita to submit a proposal for a symposium at the 1990 meeting of the Congress Collegium Internationale Neuro-Psychopharmacologicum (CINP) in Kyoto, Japan. Persons interested in participating in this symposium were encouraged to submit an abstract to President Ator by the end of July.

President Ator presented the proposed revision of the ISGIDAR bylaws to the membership, and discussed highlights of the

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changes. In this context, the importance of ISGIDAR's status as a membership organization, especially as it affects our relation to CPDD, was re-affirmed. A mechanism for rescinding membership was considered important and therefore retained. A more formal mechanism for accepting new members was agreed on, which is described below under "New Membership Procedures". Bill Woolverton moved and Harriet de Wit seconded that the revised bylaws should be accepted. Members extended their appreciation and gratitude to President Ator for all the work she put into these revisions.

New Membership Procedures

The following procedures for accepting new members were agreed on at the Annual Meeting. Under the newly-revised ISGIDAR bylaws (Section II.2,3), full members will send nominations for membership to the President. The list of nominations and a mail ballot will be mailed to the membership at least 60 days before a business meeting. Election to membership will be by a yes vote of 90% of those voting. The results of the election for membership will be announced at the next business meeting. (Until these procedures go into effect in the spring of 1989, anyone currently on the mailing list will be considered a member.)

