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Report on the IAWA Business Meeting, Berlin

Evening of 25 July, 1987 at the Hotel Seehof: While engaged in a discussion on fluorescence and enjoying both a pre-meeting beer and the evening sun, the ever-affable Ben ter Welle inquired as to whether I would be interested in writing a summary of the impending meeting. It was made clear that exact minutes were not desired, but rather a capturing of the meeting's general content and tone. I agreed willingly (and perhaps foolishly) to attempt writing such a synopsis.

The meeting began with Mr. ter Welle's statement that he was 'terribly sorry to disturb nice conversations.' With that, the 50 other people in the room quieted down and the seven agenda items were efficiently dispatched. The initial item of business was a motion from the floor (specifically from Dr. Tomlinson) that item six (finances/dues) be deleted. This was seconded to no effect amid good-natured laughter.

The IAWA membership continues to increase at a slow pace, but membership in tropical Africa and Asia remains 'too limited'. On this matter it was suggested by Dr. Essiamah that an IAWA meeting in Africa might be successful

in recruiting African members as had happened for newly recruited South American members following a meeting in Brazil. The critical lack of financial support to attend foreign meetings (especially in Europe and North America) was pointed out. Mr. ter Welle solicited advice on how a West African meeting could be organised; any reader interested in coordinating or assisting with such a meeting should contact him.

We, the members of IAWA, were encouraged to make certain that our institutional libraries subscribe to the IAWA Bulletin. Back issues are still available. As for future issues — submit manuscripts! For the first time in 10 years there is not a backlog of manuscripts to be published. This insures that manuscripts submitted in the near future will receive immediate attention for publication. Pieter Baas revealed the secret of such editorial prowess: continued Rijksherbarium support and the personage of one Ms. Emma van Nieuwkoop who, we were assured, at that very instant was 'very busy preparing issue three and thus can't be here.' Dr. Baas also reinforced the view that the Bulletin is a vehicle of communication and that notes,

requests for material, and other such items are welcome. One important news item was the announcement of a cumulative index to volumes one through seven. Annual indices will now be a matter of course.

As to an advisory committee on computer-assisted wood identification: this topic was discussed in some detail at a regular meeting several days later in the congress, and no doubt will resurface soon in the IAWA Bulletin. This bodes well, for at the business meeting Dr. H.G. Richter succinctly noted that the majority of the original committee had retired.

The subject of dues/finances and future meetings received ample attention. A summary statement is that—1) the IAWA is solvent and working towards a two-year financial buffer, and 2) at least five meetings of interest to wood anatomists are planned before the end of

1990. The IAWA Bulletin will have timely notices on these meetings.

Personal notes were warmly greeted. Mr. ter Welle is now working for the Dutch government but is able to work one day a week for the IAWA. He stated the association 'is one of the nicest things in my life,' a statement undimmed by the appreciative laughter. He announced that Dr. P. Baas had been appointed as Professor of Systematic Plant Anatomy at Leiden. The meeting ended on the humorous note of Dr. Richter expressing his pleasure in serving as the local host for this meeting, although his institutional base was 'only 200 miles away.' Then began the dinner, and the final guests were still discussing social and botanical topics as midnight approached.

David C. Michener

Impressions from the IAWA Social Hour and Business Meeting in Berlin. — Left: aperitive on the sunny terrace of Hotel Seehof. From left to right standing: David Dobbins, Bill Dickson, Peter Gahan, Abraham Fahn (viewed from the back), Siegfried Fink, and Jorg and Mrs. Sauter; sitting: Karl Tischler, Paula Rudal and Ella Werker. — Right: a serious moment in the business meeting. From left to right: local host Jorgo Richter, minutes man David Michener, Ben ter Welle, Pieter Baas, and Petra Esser. (Photographs by courtesy of Regis B. Miller.)

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