

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NOISE CONTROL ENGINEERING
8332 ZURICH - RUSSIKON, SWITZERLAND

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE BOARD

Washington D.C., 4 April 1976, at 8 pm.

1) Opening of the meeting

The President opened the meeting with the following attendance:

Members: F. Ingerslev, E.J. Rathe, J. C. Johnson, W.W. Lang,
T. Nimura, J. Mattei, O.J. Pedersen.

Guests: P.K. Baade for Internoise 76, M. Koyasu for INCE/Japan,
S. Kono Japan, E. Rothauser for Internoise 77.

Regrets: M.J. Crocker.

2) Approval of draft agenda

The agenda was approved.

3) Report by the President

I INCE- Membership

The ballot papers for VDI of Germany and for the Australian Acoustical Society were distributed and returned during the meeting. As a result there were 9 member societies from 8 countries, spread over 5 continents.

The Netherlands Acoustical Society has expressed an interest in joining I INCE. In France, a subsection of GALF will apply for membership as soon as a necessary change in the bylaws of GALF have been approved early next year. F. Ingerslev is maintaining contact with the UK Institute of Acoustics, but no decision has been reached so far. In Japan an INCE will be formed in the near future, and the Mechanical Engineering Society of Japan has expressed an interest in joining I/INCE.

Proposed actions

In order to make the purpose of I/INCE more clear, a scope describing this will be set up. J. Mattei will provide a draft for circulation within the board.

All members of the board are requested to use personal contacts wherever possible to gain additional members. For the end of 1976, a tentative goal of 12 member societies was set.

4) Report on finances

At the end of 1975 the financial situation was as follows:
(no change since Sendai)

Support received by members	
(Denmark, INCE/US, Japan, Norway)	SFr. 1531.80
Expenses for founding	SFr. 626.-
Printing costs	SFr. 1872.80
Operating expenses	SFr. 395.90
	<hr/>
Net loss	SFr. 1362.90

After some discussion, the board agreed on asking the Swiss Acoustical Society to provide two auditors, possibly the same that act for that society. This request will be forwarded by the Secretary for action in time for the financial year 1976.

5) Newsletter

Two Newsletters have been produced to date. The need of finding active correspondents was stressed. The President will write to all member societies on this subject.

It was decided, that Newsletters should be published more frequently, even if they contain no more than 8 pages of information.

For international organizations such as WHO, OECD, EG, ECE possible contact addresses should be collected, but no action is planned in the near future.

Based on a request from the UK, the question if I/INCE should appoint Newsletter correspondents, was discussed. The decision reached was that only member societies should make official appointments, but that the Newsletter could at any time accept contributions from other sources.

6) Bylaws

It is important to note that the requirement for financial support now given as SFr. 300.- per annum should not be changed.

No action was taken regarding special membership arrangements such as "associate" or "sustaining" members. The list of possible full member societies should first be completed.

The relationship with ICA has not yet been resolved. The most promising solution seems to be an invitation to ICA to nominate a corresponding member of the board of I/INCE.

7) Report on INTER - NOISE 76, Washington

P.K. Baade announced that the meeting would have 108 papers (40 from outside USA) and 18 exhibitors. By the end of the conference nearly 600 registrations were made (79 from outside USA). The EPA (American Environmental Protection Agency, USA) provided active support with the opening address and an exhibit.

8) Report on INTER - NOISE 77, Zürich

E. Rothauser described the preparations and plans made to date. A complete program of invited papers is prepared. Exhibits will cover equipment, university education in acoustics, Swiss legislation and acoustic demonstrations.

9) Future conferences

Internoise 78 will be in the US, and probably not in Washington. For 1979 invitations from Israel and Poland have been received. The final decision will be taken at the next board meeting in Zürich.

The question of reducing the number of meetings was discussed. The USA has sufficient interest for conducting a meeting each year (Internoise or Noisecon). On the international scene, the introduction of seminars restricted to specialized subjects or a less frequent sequence of full meetings could be considered. A decision will be taken at the next board meeting.

10) Second General Assembly

The agenda for the assembly was approved. Interested parties should be invited to attend as guests of the meeting.

11) Other items

The Bylaws of INCE/Japan were distributed. This new organization will officially be founded on May 29, 1976 in Tokyo.

12) Closure

The meeting was closed at 11:50 pm.