

Business Meeting - Microsporidia Division, Tours, France (25 July 2016)

Attendance: David Bass, Kelly Bateman, James Becnel, Sarah Biganski, Susan Bjornson, Dominique Ferrandon, Adrien Franchet, Mark Freeman, Julie Hopper, Ornchuma Itsathitphaisarn, Daniela Pilarska, George Kyei-Poku, Louise-Marie Roux, Yuliya Sokolova, Lee Solter, Grant Stentiford, Michael Sweet, Yuri Tokarev, Benigna van Eynde, Thomas Whelan, Bryony Williams

Call to order: 6:30 pm

1. Election of Officers (new officers are in bold)

The following Officers will be elected at the Microsporidia Division Business Meeting:

- **Chairperson: Yuliya Sokolova (2016- 2018)**
- **Chairperson-Elect: George Kyei-Poku (2016-2018)**
- **Secretary-Treasurer: Julie Hopper (2016-2018)**
- Member-at-Large: Naomi Fast (2015-2017)
- **Member-at-Large: Bryony Williams (2016-2018)**
- **Student Representative: Sarah Biganski (2016-2018)**

2. Acceptance of the minutes

The minutes of the 2014 business meeting were published online

(<http://www.sipweb.org/microspor/minutes/2015%20Microsporidia%20minutes.pdf>)

Moved by Stentiford seconded by Becnel "that the 2015 minutes of the Microsporidia Division Business meeting (Vancouver) be accepted". Motion carried.

3. Membership

	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2104/15	2105/16
Regular	51	50	40	35	29	40	36	30	38
Student	0	6	2	3	6	7	5	5	6
Total	51	56	42	38	35	47	41	35	44

4. Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Ending Balance for last Fiscal Year: 2,564.71

Interest: 6.14 (+)

Dues: 445 (+)

Amount from GF: 2,250(+)

Amount awarded: 1,750(-)

Adjustment (Money not used from GF): 500.00 (-)

Ending Balance 2015: 3,015.85

5. Summary from Tours: Symposia, Workshops & other events

Microsporidia Division Symposium: 'Microsporidia: Host-pathogen interactions' (Organizer: S. Bjornson) 4 oral papers.

Microsporidia Division Workshop: 'Open discussion on hot topics in microsporidia research' (Organizer: Y. Sokolova).

Number of contributed papers: 7 (including 1 student presentation)

Number of posters: 5 (including 2 student posters)

2016 Microsporidia Workshop Topic Summary (Tours)

1. Taxonomy of *Nosema bombysis* as a group (species level)
2. Rules for species/genera descriptions

- Prepare guidelines for Microsporidia species and genera descriptions and post them on the SIP website

6. Division Awards

Travel Assistance: Yuliya Sokolova, Louisiana State University (\$1000)

Martignoni Award: Julie Hopper, University of California Davis (\$1500; special SIP award)

Student Travel Award: Thomas Whelan, University of British Columbia (\$750)

Thanks to our poster and presentation markers: Yuliya Sokolova, Yuri Tokarev, and Bryony Williams

7. New business

2017 Microsporidia Symposium (San Diego)

1. Retrospective look at Microsporidia research (from the first meeting, 50 years ago)
2. Microsporidia from vertebrate and invertebrate hosts as emergent pathogens

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.