

Minutes of the AAM meeting held on Tuesday, August 17, 2004 at Warsaw, Poland

Present: Belytschko, Crandall, Paidoussis, Batra, Voyiadjis, Ostoja-Starzewski, Steele, Hughes

The meeting was chaired by Ted Belytschko, President of the Academy.

1. Minutes of the meeting held in Washington, DC on November 18, 2003 were unanimously approved.
2. It was announced that Dr. Alberto Cuitino of Rutgers University is the new Editor of Mechanics beginning January 1, 2005. He and Prof. Espinosa will collaborate on completing the final issue of 2004.
3. In order to improve upon the financial situation of the Academy and balance the in-flow and out-flow of funds, the following was approved. The Academy will sponsor a Mechanics Conference every 4-year when the ICTAM is held outside the USA. It will give researchers, especially the younger ones, in the USA an opportunity to present their research findings and interact with each other. Income from any such meeting will be shared with the organizer. Professor George Voyiadjis kindly agreed to organize the first meeting of the Academy in 2008.

The rate of in-flow of funds was also discussed. The treasurer was requested to supply income for each of the past 12 months. Subsequent to the meeting, the treasurer provided the following information for the calendar year 2003. [Jan. \$4728, Feb. 1583, Mar. 1933, Apr. 2487, May 909, June 0, July 474, Aug. 580, Sept. 765, Oct. 2392, Nov. 4552, Dec. 4853; note that the invoice for annual dues is mailed in Oct.]. At the present time, the annual expenditure (administrative secretary's pay, expenses to maintain the web server, printing and mailing of Mechanics) exceeds the income by about \$2000.

4. Martin Ostoja-Starzewski reported on the PACAM meeting held in Cuba. Unfortunately, because of problems associated with obtaining the Visa, there were very few participants from the USA.
5. The following amendment to the bylaws was approved and will be sent to the AAM members for their vote:

The President and the President-elect will serve for 2 years.

Rationale: It will enable the President-elect to fully comprehend operations of the Academy and then run it smoothly during his/her term of office.

6. The next meeting of the Academy will be held in Anaheim during the week of November 15, 2004.
7. The meeting adjourned at about 3 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Romesh C. Batra
Secretary