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Minutes of the IUSSP Election Committee Meeting, December 8, 2005

The Election Committee met in Paris at the IUSSP headquarters to supervise the vote count for the 2005 Council Election Ballot and Constitutional Amendment Ballot.

Present were:

Stephanie Condon (United Kingdom), President

Kamel Kateb (Algeria)

Armelle Andro (France)

Other IUSSP members present include:

Mary Kritz (USA)

Veronique Hertrich (France)

IUSSP Staff members assisting with the vote tally:

Mary Ellen Zuppan

Philippe Migrenne

Paul Monet

Fabienne Paquet

At the outset of the meeting, the Executive Director provided an overview of the election process describing the materials and instructions sent out to the membership, and the steps that the office staff has followed as ballot materials have been received. Copies of email and website messages and instructions will be distributed as well as a copy of the IUSSP Constitution which describes IUSSP election procedures. The Election Committee was told that they must insure that the ballot remains a secret ballot, that each member submits only one ballot for each vote, that the votes are accurately counted, and that the election adheres to the rules as stipulated in the IUSSP Constitution.

Then the Executive Director proposed procedures for processing the ballots and asked the Election Committee whether they wished to propose modifications in the recommended procedures. Before proceeding to step one, the Elections Committee decided to accept those ballots postmarked before 15 November that arrived shortly after the 30 November deadline (12 ballots total) because the members, most of whom were from developing countries, had theoretically posted their ballots in time to reach the Secretariat by 30 November. All ballots postmarked after 15 November and arriving after the 30 November deadline were not accepted.

Step One

The committee, IUSSP staff, and additional members counted the returned mailing envelopes and verified that the number of returned envelopes was equal to the number of IUSSP members the Secretariat had marked as having returned their ballot.

Step Two

The elections committee opened the signed mailing envelopes voiding any open envelopes and any envelopes containing more than two ballot envelopes or ballots without envelopes. The two election ballots in each envelope were clipped together.

Step Three

The election committee and staff opened individual ballot envelopes insuring that each group of clipped envelopes contained one (and only one) Council Election Ballot and one Constitutional Amendment Ballot. Where there are two ballots for the same vote, one (or both) was voided.

Step Four

A final count was made of the number of ballots cast for Council and the number of ballots cast for the Constitutional Amendments, as well as the number of voided ballots.

Step Five

Tabulating the Vote for the Council Election)

Ballots were divided into 8 groups of approximately 100 ballots and 1 group of 36 ballots (834 ballots) for counting among them members of the Election Committee, IUSSP staff, and other IUSSP member volunteers. Each person tabulated the vote by hand, entering the votes next to the candidates name or amendment article on the Vote Count Forms provided for each ballot (see attached sheets and follow the instructions on each sheet).

Special Instructions for Council Election Ballots: Before tabulating the votes for Council members, vote tabulators verified that the voter has ticked off no more than 10 names and the number of votes for Council member should be written on each ballot to verify the 10 names were counted. **If more than 10 names have been ticked, the vote for council members is void.**

Once a vote tabulator finished counting his/her ballots he/she gave the ballots to another person to recount and to verify that the count is correct.

After the ballots have been tabulated twice and there are no significant anomalies (anomalies were sought out and corrected), the Committee tallied the total number of votes for the two ballots.

Constitutional Amendments – because almost all the ballots for the constitutional amendments were cast in favor of **all** the revisions those ballots were tabulated separately from ballots where members voted against some amendments. In the later case the individual votes for each revision were tabulated separately (please see tally sheets). Because the measures overwhelmingly passed with only a very small minority voting against the measures, the ballots were counted only once.



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We, the undersigned, Stephanie Condon, Kamel Kateb, and Armelle Andro, members of the Election Committee which met on 8 December 2005 at the IUSSP headquarters, have been fully informed about the whole electoral procedure and we have found it acceptable. Having counted the votes, we declare the following results:

2005 Council Election Results

Total IUSSP Members with voting rights	2051
Total Envelopes received	843
Total spoiled/void ballots	9
Total ballots counted	834

Honorary President / *Président Honoraire:*

VALLIN, Jacques	699	elected
Blank	135	

President / *Président:*

CLELAND, John	235	elected
COSIO-ZAVALA, Maria	224	
LESTHAEGHE, Ron	228	
LUTZ, Wolfgang	135	
Blank	12	

Vice-President / *Vice-Président:*

MBACKE, Cheikh	280	
MCDONALD, Peter	306	elected
TRUSSELL, James	216	
Blank	32	

Secretary General and Treasurer/ *Secrétaire Général et Trésorier:*

VAN NIMWEGEN, Nico	687	elected
Blank	147	

Members of the Council / *membres du Conseil:*

Void	3	
ABBASI-SHAVAZI, M. Jalal	257	
ANNAN-YAO, Elizabeth	357	elected
BHAT, Mari	332	
CASELLI, Graziella	465	elected

CASTERLINE, John	475	elected
CELTON, Dora Estela	262	
KOHLER, Hans-Peter	314	
LEGRAND, Tom	370	elected
NOUR, Ousman	235	
NTOZI, James	235	
OLIVEIRA, Maria Coleta	456	elected
ORTEGA, Jose Antonio	256	
POULAIN, Michel	248	
RASHAD, Hoda	355	elected
ROLLET, Catherine	414	elected
SAITO, Yasuhiko	351	elected
SATHAR, Zeba	382	elected
SHKOLNIKOV, Vladimir	300	
WILMOTH, John	277	
YI, Zeng	423	elected
Blank	7	

Constitutional Amendment Results

Total Ballots cast	762
Spoiled or void ballots	4
Blank Ballots	8
Total valid ballots counted	750

Total votes

Group 1: Modifications reflecting existing procedures and practices, or improving language.

vote in favour	737	Approved
vote against	6	
blank	7	

Group 2: Membership issues.

vote in favour	724	Approved
vote against	18	
Blank	8	

Group 3: Finances.

vote in favour	721	Approved
vote against	21	
blank	8	

Group 4: Committee on nominations and other changes to reflect current practices

vote in favour	716	Approved
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vote against	20
blank	14

Group 5: Modifications to the timing of nominations and elections

vote in favour	727	Approved
vote against	13	
blank	10	

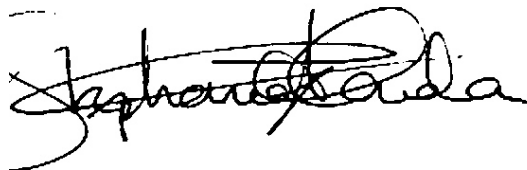
Group 6: Modifications to the mode of election of Council members

vote in favour	645	Approved
vote against	88	
blank	17	

In closing, the election committee validates that the election results were fair and that the procedures as stipulated in the constitution have been followed.

8 December 2005, Paris

Stephanie Condon



Kamel Kateb



Armelle Andro

