

## Minutes of meeting: committee of past, present and future hosts

25th IWWFEB, Hotel Shangri-la, Harbin, China, Monday 10 May 2010.

1. Report on the 25th IWWFEB. Wenyang Duan and Xiaobo Chen made a short report on the on-going workshop. The number of abstracts received was 59 of which 54 were accepted by the committee composed of Profs. Korobkin, Kim and Duan (with Chen). Among 54 papers, there were 3 papers whose author could not come to the workshop due to their personal time conflict. Thus 51 papers were included in the final program. Each presentation was arranged with 20 minutes for presentation + 5 minutes for discussions, similar to the previous workshops.

There are 73 registrations from 16 countries. In addition, 42 PhD and Master students as well as young staff members at HEU attended the 3 days workshop.

The Tuck Fellowship was awarded at the IWWFEB for the first time. There were eight applicants this year, four from the UK and one each from France, Iran, China and Japan. The Selection Committee including the three chairmen Korobkin, Kim and Duan plus Profs Newman and Grue had a tough job. There were two rounds. The first to work out only two candidates then a second round by votes to choose one among the two. The first recipient is Phillippe Trinh (23), a PhD student at University of Oxford. The TF award was introduced in the first session, with the awardee as the first speaker. This functioned very well and was a good start of the Workshop.

Financial support was received from National Natural Science Foundation of China and Bureau Veritas while Harbin Engineering University has generously taken all the additional fees related to the workshop. Three Russian and one Ukrainian scientists have been supported by offering the full fee of registration and a UK PhD student obtained one half of his registration fee. Harbin Engineering University has also paid the business class air ticket and all the fees for Prof. Evans.

A brief status of the donations to Tuck Fellowship Fund was given by John Grue at the opening of the meeting. With the current level of the Fund the practice can go on for an estimated period of 15-20 years. University of Adelaide has proposed that some small part of the Tuck Fellowship Fund also supports participation to the annual ANZIAM conference. Taking into account the generous support from the ANZIAM and AMS to the TF Fund, totalling about 40 percent of the current Fund, this should be supported, but also means that the duration of the Tuck Fellowship at IWWFEB is somewhat reduced. New donations from the IWWFEB community is therefore encouraged.

2. Next Workshop. It is confirmed that the next Workshop, the 26th IWWFEB, will be hosted by Prof Spyros A. Mavrakos and Dr. Ioannis K. Chatjigeorgiou of National Technical University of Athens. The dates were fixed after the Cttee meeting to: 17-20 April 2011. Venue will be a hotel in Athens.

3. Future Workshops.

27th (2012): Copenhagen (H. Bingham).

28th (2013): Marseilles (B. Molin)

29th (2014): Osaka (M. Kashiwagi)

There are also three more offers. These will be discussed at the Cttee meeting at IWWFEB26.

Minutes by Wenyang Duan/John Grue