Minutes of the meeting of the International Organizing Committee of the International Young Physicists' Tournament

Bratislava, 12th July 2006

Present IOC members from the following countries:

Australia, Austria, Belarus, Brazil, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Indonesia, Kenya, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom, USA.

1. Report of the Treasurer

Alfredo Mastrocola reported that the amount on the IYPT bank account is at present € 42.37. He proposed to feed the account with 10% of the participation fees to the IPYT. IOC accepted (by voting) the balance and the above proposal. The amount of 10% of the participation fees to the IYPT should be transferred every year to the IYPT account (see below) by the LOC. Another proposal of the Treasurer to build up a fund that could support members in organizing or joining the IYPT was also approved; external supporters should be searched by the Treasurer and by all IOC Members.

2. <u>Elections</u> were lead by the election committee of three members – Alan Allinson, Myeunghoi Kwon and Wolfgang Pils. Gunnar Tibell was elected as President for a period of two years; Martin Plesch – as Secretary General and two additional members of the Executive Committee: Rudolf Lehn and Brigitte Pagana-Hammer were elected for a term of four years. The details of the elections are presented in the Minutes of the election committee.

3. Recognition of national organizations by the IYPT

The United States Association for Young Physicists Tournaments and Austrian Association "AYPT – Forschungsforum junger Physiker" will be recognized from the IYPT. It has been pointed out that it is important to create YPT formal (national) organizations in European countries, as this is a prerequisite for getting financial support e.g. from the European Union.

4. Changes in the Regulations

IOC decided to introduce the following changes into the Regulations:

- 1. In chapter I, the item 1 should take the form: "Any invited country, as well as the host country is represented by one team. In 2007 the host country may still be represented by two teams.", the whole item 2 should be withdrawn and the item 3 should be renumbered to the item 2.
- 2. In chapter VIII the sentences "Standard devices for presentation are blackboard, overhead and slide projectors. For further devices the teams should consult the organizers." should be replaced with the statement "The LOC must inform about the devices available for presentations not later than two months before the IYPT."
- 3. In chapter XIII two conditions for the "third place" will be introduced: *TSP* of a team should be equal to or higher than 90% of the average *TSP* of the three best teams (finalists) and no more then 50% of the participating teams can share the 3rd place.
- 4. In chapter IX the item "a) was rejected by the Reporter earlier" should be added.
- 5. According to the IYPT Statutes, art. 7, two auditors have been elected by the IOC: Alan Allinson and Paul Haynes.

Secretary General of the IYPT

President of the IYPT

IYPT bank account

Beneficiary / place: The International Young

Physicists' Tournament (IYPT)

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France

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