

Minutes of the DYMAT Association General Assembly held at the European Doctoral College, Strasbourg, France, December 2nd, 2010

1. President's report

Opening the General Assembly, Hervé Couque first thanked everyone present for attending and Nadia Bahlouli and her colleagues for the quality of the organisation of the Technical Meeting.

He said the main objective during 2010 had been to improve the image of the Association. The first student DYMAT camp had been held. The possibility of such a camp had been talked about by the Board since 1996. Philippe Viot organised this at Guétary. It had been a great success with 16 student presentations and 40 attendees in total. It was suggested to the students that they submit the papers they had presented to submitted to the European Physical Journal: Applied Physics. It is planned that the next camp will be held in Finland in 2012, organised by Veli-Tepani Kuokkala.

Four workshops had been supported by DYMAT this last year: Matériaux 2010 Conference in Nantes, France; Lightweight Armour Group (LWAG) Workshop 'Failure and Damage Mechanisms of Armour Materials' in Madrid, Spain; High Speed Imaging Showcase in Teddington, United Kingdom; 8th International Conference on High Speed Machining in Metz, France.

Work had continued on setting up the network of International Correspondents. The aim is to promote interaction between researchers in impact mechanics around the world and to promote the Association outside Europe.

Upcoming: the next LWAG Workshop will be held in Haifa, Israel, March 16-17 2011 with theme 'New Concepts in Armour Engineering'. The next Technical Meeting will be held in Paris, September 2011. The theme will be nanomaterials, metallic glasses, & advanced materials. The next International Conference will be held in Freiburg, September 2012.

Website: this has been updated and modernised by Gunther Dyckmans. DYMAT members can access all publications from the international DYMAT conferences due to the cooperation of Editions de Physique. All papers from the Technical Meeting have been scanned and will be available soon. The website also has abstracts of relevant PhD theses from Europe and around the world with email links.

The new Internal Rules have been sent out to members. These complement the Statutes. Hervé Couque reported that the Executive Committee has proposed one change: that the quorum be reduced from two thirds to a simple majority (president's vote counting double) of the Governing Board for validation of the minutes of the previous meeting. This amendment was approved by the Assembly (16 were in favour, none against).

The membership has been growing during the last two years with 190 active members in 2010. We had a record attendance at the last International conference, a growing interest in the Technical Meetings, as well as the continual success of the LWAG workshops.

Hervé Couque expressed thanks to the members of the Governing Board and to DYMAT members in general. He then showed a couple of slides about the upcoming LWAG meeting in Haifa, and the DYMAT Technical Meeting in Paris.

2. Vote to accept the President's report

The President's report was accepted by the Assembly with no objections.

3. Treasurer's report

André Lichtenberger presented the finances of the Association for the period July 27 2009 to July 26, 2010 (see Appendix 1). These accounts had been audited by two non-Governing Board members (Gilles Roy and Emanuel Fraizier) of DYMAT.

4. Vote to accept the Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's report was accepted by the Assembly with no objections.

5. Election of the Board

Erhardt Lach had resigned from the Board. Hervé Couque expressed thanks to him for his work for the Association over many years, especially for helping set up the LWAG.

There were 9 candidates for 8 places: Nadia Bahlouli, Hervé Couque, Bradley Dodd, Gunther Dyckmans, Veli-Tapani Kuokkola, Fabrice Llorca, Patrice Longère, Clive Siviour, Ramon Zaera.

Peter Gould and Arild Clausen were chosen as tellers for the vote. 32 valid votes (including proxies) were cast.

The candidates received the following numbers of votes: Bahlouli (30), Couque (30), Dodd (28), Dyckmans (30), Kuokkola (24), Llorca (31), Longère (10), Siviour (28), Zaera (28).

The DYMAT Governing Board for 2010/11 therefore consists of the following persons: Bahlouli (France), Cadoni (Switzerland), Cirne (Portugal), Couque (France), Dodd (UK), Dormeval (France), Dyckmans (Belgium), Kuokkala (Finland), Lichtenberger (France), Llorca (France), Proud (UK), Rohr (Germany), Siviour (UK), Viot (France), Walley (UK), Zaera (Spain).

While the vote was being counted, Stephen Walley made a presentation about a proposed meeting to be held in Cambridge in 2014 to celebrate the centenary of the publication in 1914 of Bertram Hopkinson's famous paper concerning what later became known as the Hopkinson pressure bar.

Appendix 1

DYMAT 2010	
19th technical Meeting STRASBOURG (F) December 1-3, 2010	
TREASURER REPORT	FINANCIAL
STATUS	
27/07/2009 to 26/07/2010	Euros
Remainder on 27/07/09	86 025

INCOMES	
Membership fees	6 375
Sales (Proceed., Recommand.)	767
19. Technical Meeting DYMAT10	101
DYMAT2009 International Conference (Brussels)	61 562
DSC2010	7 595
Bank interest	272
Sub-total	76 673

EXPENSES	
Matériaux 2010	1 000
DYMAT Support (meetingssubject dyn. behavior of mater.:Poznan, Gramat)	3 958
DYMAT2009 International Conference (Brussels)	137 725
Organisation costs (Gov. Board, travel...)	8 098
Fees to association (AFM 2008)	550
Material + Software	243
Printing	3 452
Insurance	414
Miscellaneous (Post, Bank costs, internet...)	819
Sub-total	156 258

INCOMES-EXPENSES	
	-79 585

BALANCE:(remainder08+income-expense)	6 440

CURRENT ACCOUNT	
Check Account on 26/07/2010	13 618
Saving Account on 26/07/2010	4 609
Cash on 26/07/2010	-27
Sales FCP (<i>investments</i>)	11 760
Purchase FCP	0
Paypal	8

TOTAL: (CC+CE+cash+Inv.)	6 440

Remainder: on 27/07/2010	
(CC+CE+Cash+Paypal)	18 208

Investments (FCP:Tresor+Oblig.)	
(value on 31/12/09-Sales +purchase)	134 367

Total Avoirs	152 572