

Attention to All IPA Members

The IPA Ordinary General Assembly 2018 Notice of Resolution

Please kindly be announced that the IPA Ordinary General Assembly 2018 was closed on 21 June 2018. The total votes achieve the quorum and the all presented Agendas were resolved in accordance with Article 22 of Constitution.

- Period: 06 June 2018 to 21 June 2018
- Meeting place: IPA Website (On-line voting through the Members Site)
- Numbers of members: **659**
- Quorum: **330** (a majority of members)
- Total votes: **502 [achieved quorum]** (Turnout 76.2%)

Votes on each Agenda:

Agendas		Affirmative	Dissenting	Results
Agenda 1	Activity Report 2017	502	0	Approved
Agenda 2	Income and Expenditure Statement for the fiscal year 2017	502	0	Approved
Agenda 3	Activity Plan 2018	501	1	Approved
Agenda 4	Budget for the fiscal year 2018	501	1	Approved
Agenda 5	Election of the incoming Directors	501	1	Approved
Agenda 6	Election of the Directors	502	0	Approved

The Notice of resolution is also posted on the following URL:

https://www.press-in.org/en/page/general_assemblies

Comments and opinions were received on each Agenda and those are introduced in the following page for your reference.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation toward all IPA members' contribution to the General Assembly with receiving comments and opinions in a proactive manner.

Yours sincerely,

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The President
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Comments and opinions from Members

Agenda 3: Activity Plan 2018

Q: Plan for human resource development are described in the item 3 of Agenda 3, however I observe that there are still insufficient understanding on the Press-in technology from academic point of view among young researchers and engineers, in reality. Practical level of human resource development plans which will help daily business or work should be also considered as IPA activity plan.

A: Soliciting young researchers and engineers to participate in A) Research activities through Technical Committees, B) Editing process of technological books and papers, C) Forming of international network and D) Collaboration activities with Japan Press-in Association (JPA) are the core programs for this item 3 of Agenda 3. These activities should be supported by versatile IPA members from various fields and organizations to aim for contribution to society with the Press-in technology. There should be a distinction on human resource development programs between organizations which IPA members are belong to and IPA.

By knowing that, IPA will accommodate those individual requests made by members.

Agenda 4: Budget for the fiscal year 2018

Q: What is the reason on the negative budget 2018 ?

A: The planned activities on Editing of “Design and construction manual of the Press-in Method, June 2015 (in Japanese)” and apart of multilingualization of the “Press-in retaining structures: a handbook (First edition 2016)” are carried over to 2018 due to the adjustment to the Activity plan to prioritize to re-new IPA website over those activities. As the results, the expenditure was reduced by JPY2.85 million and the revenue was increased by JPY2.40 million due to sales of the technical book and the Press-in Handbook. Therefore, the surplus has carried over to 2018 and it is planned to be utilized to execute the carried over activities.

Agenda 5: Election of the incoming Directors

Q: What is the reason to elect Directors from private companies though IPA is an academic organization ?

A: It is important having collaboration among government-academia-industry for viable research works and information feedback. Therefore, IPA nominates Directors from various fields with consideration of expertise, age-group, balance of government-academia-industry and regionality. The Nomination Committee conduct the process based on the aforesaid process in accordance with Article 12 of Constitution.

It is essential to nominate Directors not only from researchers in academia but from other fields such as contractors and designers for viable research activities.

Other inquiry

Q: What was a reason that only one Auditor sign Agenda 2 ?

A: The other signature was not delivered on time before the General Assembly was commenced. The new voting system on the website was equipped to re-set the duration of the General Assembly once the contents or files are revised or replaced. This mechanism was found immediately after the commencement of the so that this automated system will be re-adjusted.

Many supportive messages and comments have been received with respect to Agendas and for further development of activities.