The meeting of the Board was held in Vienna, on June 26, 1967 and was attended by 17 of its members.

The President of the Society, Professor M. Welsch, opened this meeting by paying a tribute to the memory of the late Professor A. M. Walter, Vice-President, whose untimely death occurred in November 1966.

The report of the Treasurer, Dr. H. Ramioul, and the report of the Secretary for Europe, Dr. G. H. Werner, were approved by the Board. The account of the Treasurer shows a balance of 187,987 Belgian Francs (US $ 3745), which will be invested in Belgian State Bonds, with an interest of 6%. The report of the Secretary indicates that, from 1965 to 1967, twelve new members have joined the Society: this number refers only to those members who have applied directly to the International Society, from countries where no local society of chemotherapy has yet been established.

The President went on to suggest the appointment of a smaller Executive Board which would be in a better position to manage efficiently the affairs of the Society in the 2-year intervals between international congresses than the present Board of Councillors with its large membership. This Executive Board would also have the task of revising the By-Laws of the Society, which have been shown by experience to be often of difficult interpretation in various practical matters. This proposal was approved by the entire assembly: composition of the Executive Board, as elected by the members present, is indicated below.

Professor Welsch and Dr. Werner made a plea for an improvement of the organization of the next International Congress: an effort must be made to decrease the number and increase the interest of the communications and round-table conferences, by keeping the meaning of chemotherapy within reasonable limits.

Possibly the total duration of the Congress could be less than a week. The Executive Board should appoint a member residing in the country where the next Congress will be held. This individual will become a member ex officio of the Executive Board of the International Society of Chemotherapy and will in turn select the Local Committee responsible for the organization of the Congress. This motion was approved by all members present. The President asked for better ties between the International Society of Chemotherapy and the journal ‘Chemotherapia’ (now Chemotherapy) which should effectively become the official organ of the Society.

The members of the Board of Directors and Councillors proceeded to the election of three Vice-Presidents in replacements of two outgoing Vice-Presidents (Professor Garrod and Professor Naranjo) and one deceased Vice-President (Professor Walter). The new Vice-Presidents will be: Dr. R. Barzilai (United States); Dr. J. B. R. McKendry (Canada); Dr. K. H. Spitzy (Austria).
An invitation was received, and gratefully accepted, from the Japanese Society of Chemotherapy to hold the Sixth International Congress of Chemotherapy in Japan in 1969 (data and place: August 10 to 15, 1969, Tokyo). The Executive Board was then selected as follows with unanimous approval: Prof. M. Welsch (Belgium), President; Prof. H. Umezawa (Japan); Dr. G. H. Werner (France), Secretary-General; Dr. H. Ramioul (Belgium), Treasurer; Dr. R. Barzilai (United States), Vice-President; Dr. H. P. Kuehmerle (Germany), Vice-President; Prof. P. Preziosi (Italy), Vice-President; Dr. G. M. Ling (Canada).

Report on the General Assembly of the International Society of Chemotherapy

The General Assembly took place in Vienna on June 30, 1967, and was attended from its beginning by 25 members of the Society. The main purpose of this Assembly was to ratify the decisions taken by the Board of Directors and to elect new Councillors in replacement of 15 outgoing Councillors whose 4-year term is expiring in 1967.

It was pointed out that, according to article 15 of the By-Laws of the Society, more than 50 members of this Society must be present at the General Assembly in order to take action and make valid decisions. A call over the loudspeakers in the various rooms in which the Congress was taking place failed to bring more than 4 additional members. It must be pointed out that the date and place of the General Assembly had been dutifully indicated in the program of the Congress sent to all participants.

By a vote of 27 against 2, it was therefore decided to postpone the election of new Councillors until the next International Congress of Chemotherapy, which will take place in Japan in 1969. At the end of the General Assembly, Professor Smahel (Czechoslovakia) informed the members of the establishment in 1967 of a Czechoslovakian Society of Chemotherapy, of which he was elected President, and of the intention of this National Society to become a member of the International Society of Chemotherapy. All members present at the General Assembly approved the incorporation of the Czechoslovakian Society of Chemotherapy within the International Society of Chemotherapy.

Professor Smahel also informed the General Assembly of the wish of his Society to be the hosts of the 7th International Congress of Chemotherapy in Prague in 1971.

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