IIS Board of Trustees Meeting 23rd July 2024

Present: Sean Bew, Volker Derdau, Chad Elmore, Dave Hesk, Matt Hrapchak,
Apologies for absence: Brad Maxwell, Boris Czeskis, Marwan ElMasri

1. IIS and Melvin Calvin Award nominations

The Board discussed a proposal from VD to open the nominations for IIS and Melvin Calvin awards to existing members of the BoT. The proposal would include formation of an advisory board to assist the BoT in judging the nominations. After a detailed discussion, the BoT decided to proceed with the existing nomination process for IIS and Melvin Calvin awards and BoT members should forward their nominations to BM as soon as possible. It was suggested that this proposal to expand eligibility for the awards to existing BoT members could be presented to the wider IIS membership at the next IIS general assembly in Gothenburg for a formal vote. This will require drafting of a detailed proposal.

2. Membership Update

DH updated the BoT on current membership status. There are currently 55 memberships paid through the end of 2024, 32 paid through 2025 and 19 paid through the end of 2026.

3. Gothenburg update

CE gave an update on the status of the Gothenburg meeting which will be held June 23rd to 27th 2025 at the Astra Zeneca campus. Hotels have been identified and rooms have been blocked out. Meeting rooms have been booked on the Astra Zeneca site. BM is chairing the SAB and session chairmen have been identified and the Plenary speakers have been invited. DH and CE are working with Cvent to restart the conference website build.

Next BoT meeting

This will be held on 17th October 2024 in conjunction with the North American Chapter meeting and will be organized by MH.

David Hesk
IIS Executive Secretary