

2.9. Commission 10 Business Meeting

The President of C10, James Klimchuk, took the chair for the business meeting of C10. He summarized the activities of the Commission over the prior triennium and described the procedure for electing the incoming Organizing Committee members and officers. The outcome of the election is as follows:

President: Lidia van Driel-Gesztelyi (France, UK, Hungary)

Vice-President: Carolus J. Schrijver (USA)

Past President: James A. Klimchuk (USA)

Board: Paul Charbonneau (Canada), Lyndsay Fletcher (UK), S. Sirajul Hasan (India), Hugh S. Hudson (USA), Kanya Kusano (Japan), Cristina H. Mandrini (Argentina), Hardi Peter (Germany), Bojan Vrsnak (Croatia), and Yihua Yan (China)

Election: Because an e-mail distribution list for the 656 regular members of C10 is not yet available, the election was conducted within the Organizing Committee. OC members were asked if they wished to serve another term, and they were reminded that serving more than two terms is discouraged. Nominations were also solicited for entirely new members. This produced a slate of candidates from which the incoming OC members were elected by anonymous ballot. Following tradition and with unanimous approval, the current Vice-President became the incoming President. A subsequent vote was taken to elect the incoming V-P from a list of returning OC members who wished to be considered. The question of whether to continue to have a Commission Secretary will be taken up by the new OC. It is expected that a Commission e-mail list will soon be available and that all regular members will participate in the next election of the OC.

Meeting Proposals: The OC solicited, reviewed, and endorsed proposals for symposia and joint discussions. It also offered advice on how the proposals could be improved. Many OC members expressed a concern that symposia tend to be too broad and suggested that more focused meetings would have greater scientific value and attract more leading scientists. It was recognized that focused proposals can have difficulty getting the support of multiple Division Presidents and therefore are less likely to be selected. It is hoped that the IAU Executive Committee will consider this issue.

Triennial Report: A team effort involving the entire OC produced a very nice summary of science progress in Solar Activity over the prior three years. It is published in Transactions IAU, Vol. XXVIIA, Reports on Astronomy 2006-2009, ed. K. A. van der Hucht (Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press), 79 and is available on the Commission website.

Website: A C10 website was created (http://www.mssl.ucl.ac.uk/iau_c10/index.html). Among other things, it includes recent reports of the Commission and a history of OC members and officers dating back to 1970 (Presidents dating back to 1925).

Solar Naming Convention: Carolus Schrijver, incoming V-P, proposed a standardized convention for identifying solar events (e.g., flares) to be included in publications so that search engines can easily identify other relevant publications in the on-line literature. Commission 10

formally endorsed the proposal, and it has recently been adopted by *Solar Physics*, with other journals hopefully to follow. The proposal can be found on the Division II website.

At the end of the C10 business meeting, the President invited the audience to make suggestions on how the Commission could better serve its members. No significant response was received.