MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE ON BACTERIOLOGICAL
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UNIVERSITY, MONTREAL, AUGUST 18, 1962

Minute 1. Call to order. The Chairman called the meeting of the International Committee on Bacteriological Nomenclature (hereinafter referred to as the Nomenclature Committee) to order at 2 p.m.

Minute 2. Members present. V.B.D. Skerman (Australia); H. Lautrop (Denmark); E. Mustakallio (Finland); C. LeMinor (France); H. P. R. Seeliger (interim Permanent Secretary for Medical Bacteriology, and M. Seelemann (Germany); Sir Christopher Andrewes, S. T. Cowan, T. Gibson and Sir Graham Wilson (United Kingdom); A. Cimmino (Italy); Y. Takahashi (Japan); K. G. Winkler (Netherlands); S. D. Henriksen and P. J. Oeding (Norway); S. Gard (Sweden); R. E. Buchanan, W. A. Clark (Permanent Secretary for Nonmedical Bacteriology) and C. B. Philip (USA).

Minute 3. Election of new members. The list of nominees for membership on the Nomenclature Committee as proposed by the several national societies was read by the Chairman. The following individuals were elected by unanimous vote to membership on the Committee:

Australia

Prof. Sir MacFarlane Burnet, Parkville, Victoria
Associate Prof. J. M. Vincent, Sidney

Austria

Dr. F. Poetsch, Vienna

Belgium

Dr. G. Bruynoghe, Louvain

Canada

Dr. A. Frappier, Montreal
Dr. N. E. Gibbons, Ottawa
Dr. H. Katznelson, Ottawa
Dr. R. G. E. Murray, London, Ontario
Dr. A. J. Rhodes, Toronto

Chile

Dr. Rafael T. Darricarrere, Concepcion

Denmark

Dr. H. Lautrop, Copenhagen
Prof. Erik J. Peterson, Copenhagen

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England

Dr. S. T. Cowan, London

Dr. P. H. A. Sneath, London

France

Dr. L. LeMinor, Paris

Germany

Prof. Dr. H. Henneberg, Berlin

Italy

Prof. Aldo Cimmino, Rome

Japan

Prof. Yoshio Kawakita, Chiba

Dr. Yoshio Kobayashi, Tokyo

Prof. Yuichi Ochi, Tokyo

Prof. Yoshisada Takahashi, Sendai

Netherlands

Prof. Dr. K. C. Winkler, Utrecht

New Zealand

Dr. D. W. Dye, Auckland

Prof. J. A. R. Miles, Dunedin

Portugal

Dr. M. Moreira-Jacob, Lisbon

Rumania

Prof. G. Lupascu, Bucarest

Sweden

Prof. G. Lofstrom, Uppsala

Switzerland

Prof. Dr. A. Grumbach, Zurich

United States of America

Dr. C. B. Philip, Hamilton, Montana

Yugoslavia

Dr. Stanko Banic, Ljubljana

Dr. Josip Jezic, Sarajevo

Dr. P. Zivojin Tesic, Beograd

Minute 4. Presentation and approval of alternates. Alternates present for regular members were approved as follow:

O. Jenssen (Denmark) for E. J. Peterson (Denmark)

E. L. Wollman (France) for J. C. Senez (France)

S. Hofman (Germany) for C. Stapp (Germany)

P. A. Hansen (U.S.A.) for H. Haupt (Germany)

C. F. Niven (U.S.A.) for C. B. van Niel (U.S.A.)

J. G. Holt (U.S.A.) for O. N. Allen (U.S.A.)

E. F. Lessel (U.S.A.) for L. M. Black (U.S.A.)

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Minute 5. Changes in membership of the Committee due to resignation or death. The resignation of P. Schaeffer (France) and A. A. Miles (Great Britain) were accepted with regret and grateful acknowledgement of services.

Announcement was made of the death of J.C.N. Penido.

Minute 6. Election of Permanent Secretary for Medical Bacteriology. H.P.R. Seeliger, of Bonn, Germany, had previously been elected by the Judicial Commission as interim secretary to serve as Joint Permanent Secretary for Medical Bacteriology until action could be taken by the Nomenclature Committee. By unanimous vote of the Committee, Prof. Dr. Seeliger was elected Joint Permanent Secretary for Medical Bacteriology.

Minute 7. Resignation of Dr. E.G.D. Murray as Chairman. Dr. Murray tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Nomenclature Committee. It was accepted with regret.

Minute 8. Election of Chairman. S.T. Cowan was nominated by R.E. Buchanan for the Chairmanship of the International Committee. The nomination was seconded by H.P.R. Seeliger. Dr. Cowan was elected unanimously.

Minute 9. Report on the Judicial Commission meetings of August 16-17. R.E. Buchanan, Chairman of the Judicial Commission, summarized the several actions and recommendations made by the Judicial Commission. The decisions reached by the Judicial Commission with reference to Opinions were accepted by the Nomenclature Committee for publication in the International Bulletin. The specific recommendations concerning emendations of the International Code of Nomenclature of Bacteria and Viruses were approved by the Nomenclature Committee as recorded in the several minutes of the Judicial Commission. (A detailed report of the minutes of the Judicial Commission relating to Opinions is published on pp.23-30 of this Bulletin. The recommendations of the Judicial Commission relative to emendation of the Code are included in the detailed minutes, pp.1-22 of this Bulletin.)

The several suggestions made concerning further emendations of the Code were deemed matters of phraseology, primarily to be dealt with by the Editorial Board.

Minute 10. Authorization of new taxonomic subcommittees.

The Committee authorized the formation of new taxonomic subcommittees to study problems relating to the following taxa: Lactobacillus and related organisms, Sulfur-

reducing bacteria, Neisseria and related organisms, and Pseudomonas and related organisms. The formation of an ad hoc committee to discuss and report on Bacterium anitratum and possibly-related organisms was also authorized.

- Minute 11. Call for nominations of new members to be elected to the Judicial Commission. Eight vacancies will exist at the close of the 8th International Congress due to:
1. Resignations of A.A. Miles (Great Britain), E.G.D. Murray (Canada), and P. Schaeffer (France,
 2. Appointment of H.P.R. Seeliger as a Permanent Secretary, and
 3. Expiration of the terms of Commissioners of the 8th class (Sir Christopher Andrewes, J. Ramsbottom, A. Sordelli and C.B. van Niel).

Nominations by Committee members were called for, to be in the hands of Secretary W.A. Clark by the beginning of the next Committee meeting.

- Minute 12. Reports of taxonomic subcommittees. Verbal reports of the Virus (Andrewes) and Brucella (Wilson) Subcommittees were presented. Written reports, with up-to-date membership, are to be submitted to the Permanent Secretaries by the next meeting of the Committee (23rd August 1962). The Secretaries were authorized to invite the Chairmen and Secretaries of the Taxonomic Subcommittees to attend future meetings of the Nomenclature Committee to present verbal reports on their activities. These Chairmen and Secretaries of Subcommittees will be nonvoting observers.

- Minute 13. Resignation of nonactive members of the Committee. Members of the International Committee on Bacteriological Nomenclature representing microbiological societies should participate actively in the work of the Nomenclature Committee when called upon. The Permanent Secretaries were instructed to request a reply from any member who has not replied to official communications. Failure to reply over an additional period of six months will be regarded as equivalent to the resignation of a member from the Committee. The appropriate national society should be notified of the resignation.

- Minute 14. Adjournment. The Nomenclature Committee adjourned to meet on Thursday, August 23, at 2 p.m. in the Lecture Room, Pathology Building, McGill University.