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Those who attended the Eighth Annual Convention of ISUS in Vancouver would probably agree that good progress was made both in further exploring the scientific implications of the Reciprocal System and in charting the future course of our organization. Some of the decisions made at the meeting are described in the *Minutes* in this issue of ISUS NEWS.

The long-delayed advertizing campaign is at last underway, with the first series of ads to appear in *School Science and Mathematics* beginning with the November issue. Further ads are planned and will be announced in due course. Those responding to the ad will receive a four-page brochure describing some of the points of divergence between the Reciprocal System and conventional physical theory. The brochure is also available on request from ISUS.

Among the decisions made at the convention (see the *Minutes* 6. f.) is the setting up of a course on the Reciprocal System. It is expected to take the form of a week-long seminar aimed primarily at training instructors. Further details will be announced as they become available.

Dewey Larson has let us know that the third volume of the revised edition of *The Structure of the Physical Universe*, entitled *The Universe of Motion* is nearing completion, with twenty-six out of thirty-one chapters already written. At the occasion of a gathering at the home of Robin Sims on the evening of August 20th, Larson described several of his new findings — among them the explanation within the framework of the Reciprocal System of the characteristic dumbbell-shape of radio galaxies. Plans are being made for the publication of this important work.

Among the issues raised at the convention was the need for a mathematical formulation of the fundamental postulates of the Reciprocal System, and for a series of equations that would make it possible to derive its conclusions without recourse to verbal reasoning. It was generally agreed that the language in which the RS has been presented thus far is specific enough to allow for such mathematization in the future. It was even suggested that a computer program might be devised capable of constructing a true and complete representation of the physical universe unencumbered by the error-prone human reasoning process.

Among the papers read at the convention were:

- Phil Porter on electrical phenomena, including superconductivity.
- Tom Lo Bello: "The New Reciprocity: A Radical Overview of the RS Cosmic Sector."
- K.V.K. Nehru: "Relative Abundance of the Elements" (read by Ronald Satz).
- Ronald Satz: "A New Taxonomy for Scientific Knowledge."

Some of these papers will appear in future issues of *Reciprocity*.

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF UNIFIED SCIENCE

Saturday, August 20, 1983, in Room 304, Henning Physics Building, University of British Columbia, Vancouver. The business meeting of the International Society of Unified Science was called to order at 11:07 by Frank Meyer, president. Nine members were present.

1. A motion was made and carried to skip the reading of the minutes of the previous convention. The minutes, copies of which all members had, were approved.

2. Next, treasurer Rainer Huck presented his report. The current net balance of ISUS, as of August 17, 1983, was \$886.26. The treasurer's report was approved.

3. Senior editor of *Reciprocity* Jan Sammer gave his report. The quantity printed of the last two issues of *Reciprocity*: 200 and 250. It is hoped that we will soon be back on a quarterly schedule. A brief newsletter might be issued 8 times a year to supplement *Reciprocity*. The editor's report was approved.

4. The president then asked for Old Business. The only old business brought up concerned the advertisement for ISUS and the Reciprocal System. Sammer and Meyer gave the circulation and advertizing cost for the following journals (originally suggested by Dewey Larson): *School Science and Mathematics*, *Journal of College Science Teaching*, *The Science Teacher*, *The Sciences*, and *Space World*. Huck moved and Sims seconded that ISUS contribute \$300 for ads in the upcoming year for the magazines listed. North Pacific Publishers would match this amount, so long as Dewey and Jan work out all the details. The motion carried. Then Porter moved and Sims seconded that the Board be empowered to spend up to an additional \$500 if the campaign were found to be successful. The motion carried.

5. Porter moved to have the Board elections precede new business. The motion carried. The new nominations to the Board included Halprin, Blackburn, Porter, LoBello, Schumacher, and Elkin. The following were elected: Curtin, Halprin, Blackburn, Porter, and Schumacher. Thus the 1984 Board consists of the following individuals: Sims, Norby, Nehru, Sammer, and Gilroy, all up for re-election next year; Anderson, Huck, Meyer, Satz, and Studtmann, all with one year left at the end of next year; Curtin, Halprin, Blackburn, Porter, and Schumacher, all with two years left at the end of next year.

6. The president then called for New Business.

a Sims proposed and Satz seconded that Larson's policy proposals for *Reciprocity* be adopted. Porter then moved to amend this motion as follows: the editor of *Reciprocity* shall respond to all submitters within three months with intention to publish or with reasons for rejection. Rejections may be appealed to the Board of ISUS which shall have the final authority to determine what shall be published. To appeal a rejection, the submitter shall send copies of all correspondence and the paper to all

members of the Board. The Board shall make a decision by a majority of those responding to the president who shall inform the submitter of the decision within six months' time. The motion, as amended, carried. Satz then moved, and Huck seconded, that the policy for contributions to *Reciprocity*, expressly items 1, 3, 4, and the introduction, be printed on the inside back cover of *Reciprocity*. Porter and Schumacher amended this motion to allow the editor to place the policy statement anywhere in the journal. The motion, as amended, carried.

b Huck moved and Porter seconded that Sammer become the new editor-in-chief of *Reciprocity*, with Meyer as senior editor and Nehru as associate editor. The Board approved this new arrangement.

c The next item of business was the discussion of how to respond to member Halprin's letter, sent to a number of Board members. It was decided that one or two of Halprin's last papers would be edited for inclusion in *Reciprocity*. The secretary of ISUS was chosen to draft a letter of response to Halprin, which would also be sent to all Board members.

d Sims moved and Satz seconded that we have four levels of membership: regular, \$15/year; contributing, \$50/year; supporting, \$150/year; and sustaining, \$300/year. The motion carried. Huck moved and LoBello seconded that contributing, supporting, and sustaining members be publicized (for instance, in *Reciprocity* or *ISUS News*). The motion carried.

e Next, Schumacher discussed some new ideas for promoting the Reciprocal System: writing a novel with the Reciprocal System as the accepted theoretical system, finding unusual book publishers or distributors (such as Loompanics Unlimited); sending papers to unconventional journals (such as *The Connection*).

f Porter moved and Sims seconded that the Board set up an education committee to offer a course on the Reciprocal System. The first instructor would be Satz. The motion carried. Then Satz proposed that the education course immediately precede the Annual Convention. The motion carried.

7. The president then asked for nominations for the location of next year's convention. The following were named: Salt Lake City, Eugene, Louisville, and Vancouver. After discussion, the members chose Salt Lake City. Huck will be host. The date will be in mid-August and start with the "school."

8. Elections for officers were held. All present officers were re-elected by acclamation: Meyer for president, Blackburn for vice-president, Satz for secretary, and Huck for treasurer.

9. Satz moved and Huck seconded to have ISUS officially thank our hosts, Robin and Vivian Sims, for their splendid job in sponsoring the conference. The motion carried by acclamation.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 4:56.

Ronald W. Satz: Secretary, ISUS

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