

**MINUTES OF ICAZ INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT MADRID, SPAIN,  
JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> (9:50-19:55 ) AND JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> 2000 (17:45-19:30)**

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**PRESENT:** Melinda Zeder (EC, President), Sebastian Payne (EC, Vicepresident), Richard Meadow (EC, Treasurer), Arturo Morales-Muñiz (EC, Secretary), Oscar J. Polaco, Laszlo Bartosiewicz (EC), Wim van Neer, Hans-Peter Uerpmann (EC), Nanna Noe-Nygaard (EC), Elisabeth Reitz, Jon Driver, Annecke Clason (EC) and Francois Poplin. Heather Lapham, assistant to Zeder and ICAZ webmaster and Newsletter production editor attended some sessions but did not participate in discussions (except when questioned) or voting. [Note: the quorum for the IC is 12. Thirteen members were present. Even with Payne not voting on the venue for ICAZ 2002, there was a quorum of 12 voting.]

**AGENDA**

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## **1. SECRETARY'S PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES FROM YORK AND NEW YORK FOR ACCEPTANCE**

The Secretary presented the Minutes from the Officers' meeting held in York on September 5, 1999, and the EC meeting held in New York on September 28, 1999. These were accepted without comment by the IC members present.

## **2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT ON WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER DEVELOPMENT AND ON THE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

The President reported that the website was created by Lapham with text from Zeder, Meadow, Morales, and others and that it opened for business in April 2000. It contains ten sections, namely, "Home Page", "About ICAZ", "Meetings" (past meetings and publications), "History" (Constitution), "Membership & Benefits" (membership lists), "Membership Application", "Working Groups" with linked sites and lengthier descriptions for ASWA, FRWG, BRWG, Camelids, NABO and proposed groups (Worked Bone and Veterinary Pathology) plus short descriptions of former WGs, "Calendar" with subpages for upcoming events, "Logo Context," and "What is Archaeozoology". Future developments will include a "For Members Only" section, accessible with ID, that will incorporate a Membership Directory, the Newsletter, a Bulletin Board/chat room, an "Enigmatica" section for seeking help in identifying rare specimens as well as a "Job Postings" section. The President reports that suggestions for future developments are welcomed. Further discussion was postponed until section 7 of the Agenda.

The program "Pagemaker" was used by Lapham to create the Newsletter with text supplied by Zeder and Morales. Morales now has "Pagemaker" to make transfer of formatted Newsletter information easier. Volume 1, Issue 1 was sent in April and was devoted to the Membership Drive plus a calendar of upcoming events. The Newsletter has been conceived of as a bi-annual publication issued in Spring and Fall to contain, among other things, lists of recent publications, Journals publishing archaeozoological material, Job postings, Letters to the Editor, Reports from Working Groups and notices about ICAZ related events and meetings. As with the website, suggestions are warmly welcomed. Further discussion was postponed until section 7 of the Agenda.

The Membership Drive was carried out with lists compiled by Lapham from data provided by Wigen, Payne, Morales, Meadow, and Moore. The current address list includes a total of 1993 names and 754 institutions from the US and Canada and 1234 from other world regions. Phase I was activated in April 2000 and targeted ICAZ members, IC members, and others on the list. Phase II of the Membership Drive will be the Institutional Membership Drive that will start in the fall of this year (2000).

Before proceeding further, Payne suggested that the IC formally thank Lapham for implementing the digital scaffold that made the Website, Newsletter, and Membership Drive possible. All IC members agreed and Lapham was formally thanked.

### **3. SECRETARY'S REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP**

The Secretary reported that, at the end of 1999, the ICAZ membership comprised 286 people from 39 countries. Of these members, 170 had paid for one year (2000) whereas another 116 remained unpaid. The decision to have multi-year memberships was mentioned. As of June 1, 2000, 82 new membership requests had been received since the Membership Drive was started. These include 23 from the original ICAZ membership as well as 59 new members. The New World, with 64 requests (61 from the US and 3 from Canada) leads and, of the 18 Old World requests, 15 came from Europe (UK: 7; Germany: 3; Austria and Portugal: 2 each; Norway: 1) with a further three coming from India, Israel, and Egypt. Mailing schedules may be partly responsible for such unevenness in the regional distribution of requests. Two of the new requests include adopted members.

As part of the Membership Drive, Zeder and Lapham are collecting membership forms, creating membership databases, and forwarding dues to Meadow. Duties of maintaining the membership database will be transferred to the Secretary after the Membership Drive.

Special membership requests (i.e., Stallibrass's offer to sponsor a student, Zhilin's request for a sponsored membership, and Ryder's request for a place on Committee of Honor) started a brief discussion about policies on these issues. The EC will define policies to be later voted on by IC members or else to be taken up later in the meeting. As for institutional memberships, two have been received thus far (i.e., English Heritage Library and American School of Classical Studies in Athens), and the issue concerning their dues will similarly be taken up later on in this meeting.

The Secretary commented on the need to keep information updated on all members and on the need for ICAZ members to notify the Secretary of any changes in their postal and e-mail addresses, etc. in order to maintain the flow of correspondence. Driver asked how members should notify the Secretary of changes, to which Payne responded that, in addition to other means, by normal (regular) mail.

### **4. TREASURER'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATUS**

The Treasurer reported that three accounts (i.e., US \$, Pounds Sterling, and Euros) have been set up with NatWest in the UK due to the more flexible and convenient policies existing in that country for non-profit organizations. To a question posed by Morales, Payne requested that we state in the Application Form the amount of the dues in currencies other than US\$ to which Meadow replied that the Constitution specifies that the dues are US\$15. Upon a question by van Neer on the possibility of paying dues by credit card, Payne and Meadow noted the considerable costs involved in setting up the procedures and the extra costs involved in such transactions. Uerpmann suggested that the discussion about credit cards be delayed for the moment.

As for the status of banking itself, the ICAZ total in US\$ is about \$6214.39. Deposits of US\$ 4369.69 have been made to ICAZ's US\$ account including \$2614.69 collected at Victoria, with the balance in new membership fees. An additional \$1530.00 and 209.60 Pounds Sterling in new membership fees had been collected as of 1 June but not yet deposited.

## **5. PRESENTATION OF BIDS FOR THE 2002 ICAZ INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND VOTE**

The President spoke about the decision taken by the Officers and EC at York and New York to solicit bids from venues in England and briefly reviewed an eight-month-long process that arrived at two candidates, Durham and Southampton, which supplied information on twelve questions posed by the EC.

Payne made a presentation of the Southampton bid a copy of which was distributed to IC members prior to the meeting . It appears that this bid would have a reasonable level of support from English Heritage, by which it is meant between 5,000 and 10,000 Pounds Sterling (perhaps up to 20,000). The organizers were keen on ensuring publication of plenary session lectures, whereas parallel sessions would appear only in abstract form. A memo on how costs were estimated was distributed to IC members. As a policy of the organizers, the cost of the conference proceedings would be included in the registration fee. An attractive and well thought out list of conference topics as well as very competitive registration fees and good transportation links to London and the rest of Europe were an essential part of this bid put together by Payne in collaboration with Clive Gamble.

After the presentation, a series of questions were posed. These concerned: the degree of commitment of the national committee to supervising publication (Meadow); whether the proceedings would appear as a single volume or multiple volumes (Driver); who would be the EC member supervising the organization (Uerpmann); whether plenary sessions were still open to new topics (Zeder); and whether the organizers of the plenary sessions would be in charge of supervising the editing of the papers (Reitz). Bartosiewicz and Morales commented on the need to insure free/cheap accommodation to encourage the participation of students and scholars from developing countries, and Noe-Nygaard spoke about an initiative to have local students provide cheap housing and accommodation for people with reduced financial resources. Once the questions ended, Payne left the meeting.

The presentation of the Durham bid was made by the President (Zeder) based on communications from Jacqui Huntley (assisted by Peter Rowley-Conwy and Keith Dobney). The Durham bid had been distributed prior to the meeting to IC members. This bid appeared to be less structured than the Southampton bid in terms of sessions and to be somewhat more expensive but still in line with the previous Victoria meeting. Otherwise, the program appeared to be more flexible in organizational terms, plans for publication of all presentations seemed more balanced, and Durham seemed to offer the advantage that sessions, accommodation, and other events would take place in a more congenial space within walking distance of the Medieval town.

Once the presentation ended, Driver stressed the need to separate the two issues of venue and program in both bids in order to focus the discussion.

In the ensuing discussion there was participation by all members and potential pros and cons of both offers were considered at length. The conclusion was that both bids were very attractive, rigorous, and of equivalent interest despite important differences. A TIE VOTE OF 6 IN FAVOR OF DURHAM AND 6 IN FAVOR OF SOUTHAMPTON made this very explicit. After a short discussion, which in

some instances implied an explanation of vote, A SECOND VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULT: 7 VOTES IN FAVOR OF DURHAM vs. 5 VOTES IN FAVOR OF SOUTHAMPTON. [All ballots were secret ballots.] The decision to hold ICAZ 2002 in Durham was taken and verbally transmitted to Payne. A telephone call to Durham failed to contact the organizers, and it was decided that the President should contact them in the following days. The meeting was temporarily adjourned at 13:55.

At 16:05 the meeting resumed. After a 45-minute session that comprised presentations by Poplin, Driver, Noe-Nygaard, and Clason on various aspects of their research and experience in communicating archaeozoology to the public, the topics in the Agenda were taken up again. For organizational matters, it was decided to slightly change the order of issues on the original (i.e., pre-meeting) agenda, and to delay the final adjourning of the meeting until Saturday, June 3, 2000.

## **6. CONSIDERATION OF ICAZ POLICIES**

### **6A. USE OF ICAZ FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

A discussion ensued on how to make the best use of ICAZ's financial resources. The first issue raised was that of fees, in particular, on how to proceed with the sponsoring of colleagues from developing nations or with low incomes. Although all agreed with Stallibrass's request to sponsor a student, matters were not so clear when requests were made to be relieved from paying dues as was the case with Zhilin and Ryder. On the issue of fees, Payne stressed that if we want to implement a policy we would need to create a specific sub-committee within the IC that could devote time to this matter. Payne, Bartosiewicz, Polaco, and van Neer agreed to form such a group and to present their proposals to the IC/EC.

Ryder's self-nomination to the Committee of Honor led Zeder to ask whether the IC would adopt a policy that nominations come from the IC itself or, alternatively, to the IC to be later voted upon. Uerpmann stressed the need to distinguish between nominations and proposals and Driver asked if we wanted a Committee of Honor at all. Payne explained the original aim of recognizing the contributions of individual ICAZ members to archaeozoology and said that the specific regulations on this subject were somewhat vague, to which Meadow responded that such vagueness was intentional. Reitz suggested that the IC had better be specific or else run the risk of having its decisions be taken as favoritism, and Zeder suggested that nominations should come "from" an IC member and include a Curriculum vitae and a letter. In the end, at the proposal of Meadow, THE FOLLOWING TEXT WAS APPROVED: *The IC will entertain nominations for the Committee of Honor that are supported by a curriculum vitae and proposed and seconded by IC members.*

As for money itself, Zeder explained that, given the current low dues rate, no matter how much our membership increases, ICAZ's financial resources will always remain reduced. She suggested that we should build up a cash reserve and see how things develop before adopting any policy concerning expenditures. Payne seconded this proposal whereas van Neer expressed concern that, unless we offer more to potential and actual members, ICAZ runs the risk of not being an attractive organization to join. All agreed that diverting funds to help defray travel costs to meetings for low income colleagues was an interesting proposition.

## **6B. NOMINATING PROCEDURES FOR SECRETARY AND TREASURER**

In connection with this, Meadow stressed that the wording in articles 8.1.2, 8.2.2, 8.2.3, 8.3.1, 5.4.1, and 5.5.1 of the Statutes was entirely intentional. Essentially, the election of the two officials is an exclusive IC issue as was determined when the statutes were drawn up in Cambridge. The purpose of this method of appointing the Treasurer and Secretary is to ensure stability for ICAZ. After a short discussion in which Zeder suggested that we specify nomination procedures as an addition to the Statutes. Driver recommended that for the next General Meeting we could put forward some statements on election procedures for people to vote upon, Uerpmann said that if we change this at this moment, we would, de facto, start a process of discussion of the document which was, in any case, beyond the scope of this meeting. With a proviso by Morales that he will serve only until the next General Meeting (i.e., 2002), the matter was concluded.

## **6C. PROCEDURES FOR INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS**

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE RATE OF US \$15 PER ANNUM FOR INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP, SPECIFIED IN 4.2.4 OF THE STATUTES, MUST STAY LIKE IT IS FOR THE MOMENT.

## **6D. INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES**

Concern was raised by the Secretary that certain IC members systematically fail to respond to inquiries, whether by normal mail or by e-mail. After a short discussion, THE FOLLOWING POLICY WAS ADOPTED BY ALL PRESENT:

*The members of the IC present in Madrid note that a significant number of IC members have not been responding to communications from the Secretary and other officers. The members of the IC present in Madrid wish to remind fellow IC members of the need for their active participation in the activities of the IC. This includes replying to e-mail and postal communications from the Secretary and other officers and expressing their views on issues before the IC. Failure to participate will lead to a member not being permitted to stand for re-election to the IC as per section 4.3.2 of the Statutes of ICAZ.*

## **6E. PROXIES FOR EC AND IC MEETINGS / VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

In connection with this issue, Payne stressed that the real problem is whether or not people respond to e-mails. At this point, several attendees requested that “proxy” be explained and this resulted in the restriction of the term to mandated proxies (i.e., instructions to the Secretary to vote in a specified way on behalf of the absent member). Since both matters seemed to be closely linked, Payne declared himself in favor of electronic voting provided certain conditions are met (e.g., that material be sent one month ahead of time and also by normal post in case of important issues). To this, Uerpmann raised the question of what guarantees do we have that votes will not be manipulated or changed. After a short discussion ALL ATTENDEES AGREED THAT THE EC/IC ALLOW E-MAIL VOTES PROVIDED: A) THAT INFORMATION BE SENT ONE MONTH BEFORE THE DATE OF VOTING, B) THE RECIPIENT OF THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE ACKNOWLEDGES

RECEIPT, AND C) THAT EACH VOTE BE CONFIRMED BY THE SECRETARY.

The issue of mandated proxy votes similarly created certain controversy. Payne believed we should permit absentee votes as opposed to granting a person the right to vote on behalf of someone else. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO ALLOW E-MAIL VOTING FOR MATTERS PUT BEFORE THE EC/IC OUTSIDE OF THE CONTEXT OF A FORMAL MEETING. IT WAS ALSO AGREED TO ALLOW ABSENTEE VOTES TO BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY, FOLLOWING PROCEDURES OUTLINED ABOVE, FOR VOTES CONDUCTED IN THE COURSE OF A REGULAR IC MEETING.

#### **6F. JOURNAL TIES FOR ICAZ MEMBERS**

This is one of the potentially most attractive benefits for becoming an ICAZ member. ALL AGREED THAT THE SECRETARY SHOULD BE EMPOWERED TO CONTACT JOURNALS TO FIND OUT WHETHER PRICE REDUCTIONS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE OR NOT. The main targets should be: ANTHROPOZOOLOGICA, ARCHAEOFAUNA, ARCHAEOZOOLOGIA, ENVIRONMENTAL ARCHAEOLOGY, INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF OSTEOARCHAEOLOGY and JOURNAL OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCE. Poplin suggested the BULLETIN DE LA SOCIETE PREHISTORIQUE FRANCAISE. Driver believed that this might also provide an incentive for an editor and that we should target those potentially most interested in increasing their subscription base, perhaps only one. Bartosiewicz expressed concern that the IJO is leaning heavily toward human osteology and Uerpmann raised the old question on whether ARCHAEOZOOLOGIA was already “the” official journal of ICAZ to which Meadow responded that he believed it intentionally labeled as “an”, not “the”. THE SECRETARY SHOULD DELAY CONTACTS UNTIL PHASE II OF THE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS COMPLETED.

#### **6G. ICAZ FUND SEEKING EFFORTS**

Again the issue was raised that ICAZ should strive to get travel funds for low-income colleagues, be these scholars from developing nations, unemployed researchers, or students. Driver commented that his own efforts for the Victoria meeting were highly unsuccessful. Uerpmann stressed that ICAZ should get in contact with UNESCO through our UISPP link. Another UNESCO agency, FAO, was mentioned at some point of the discussion. Driver insisted that the best way to proceed would be to create a subcommittee devoted to fund raising to help conference organizers with their fund raising efforts.

The session adjourned at 19:55.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup> 2000  
The Meeting resumed at 17:45.

## **6H. NEW WORKING GROUP ADMISSIONS TO ICAZ**

The President read out descriptions of the Worked Bone Working Group (WBWG) and the Veterinary Paleopathology Working Group (Pal Path WG). She raised the question of whether or not ICAZ had some sort of WBWG in the past to which Bartosiewicz responded that the group of Marylene Patou-Mathis will somehow link to or meld with the WBWG. The IC representative in this WG could be Bartosiewicz himself whereas for the Paleopath WG the EC will contact R.M. Thomas. BOTH GROUPS WERE VOTED AS OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED WORKING GROUPS OF ICAZ.

More contentious were the proposals presented by Morales to admit AIAZ (Associazione Italiana di Archaeozoologia), an efficient and well structured organization itself, and the Dog WG proposed by Susan Crockford. In this second case, attendees noted that the proposal is still in very much an incipient state. Driver added that Crockford should simply be encouraged by the IC to proceed further, but that a formal admission could only be entertained once the group had been created. The AIAZ proposal raised the issue of national groups. In this context, Uerpmann reminded the IC about the need to be careful with approving nationally-focused WG to which Payne replied that the AIAZ is not like the German WG proposed in Konstanz in that it incorporates non-Italian speaking archaeozoologists. Meadow added that a distinction can be made between a national WG and a WG devoted to the archaeozoology of a specific area be this a nation or not . After a short debate on this issue by Driver, Zeder, Poplin, Polaco, Morales, Meadow, and Payne, it became clear that since this group already is an organization, the only way that it can be linked to ICAZ is through the creation a new relationship such as that of “affiliated society”. Zeder concluded that a more formal consideration of this issue is needed so that the decision was left pending.

## **6I. WORKING GROUP RELATIONS TO ICAZ**

This concern was raised by a November 2, 1999, e-mail from Grayson to Morales in which he proposed that, in order to increase ICAZ’s attractiveness to potential new members, those from the various ICAZ-recognized WGs be required to be members of the ICAZ itself. Driver stressed the need to keep separate the issues implicit here, namely: a) WG scope, b) what do people get by belonging to a WG and c) what kind of relationships should be implemented in different cases. On the matter of scope, Payne reminded the audience that one of ICAZ’s aims is to foster international promotion of archaeozoological research. To this, Meadow added that article 2 of the statutes does not mention “internationality” as a specific aim whereas article 7 mentions “special themes” of common interest; thus nothing forbids the creation of a national WG. To Uerpmann the easiest solution would be to solve the problem of affiliation by having both WGs and affiliated associations, as was discussed in the previous point, the only problem here being the need to change the statutes in order to permit affiliated groups.

On the issue of what benefits a WG derives from being recognized by ICAZ, Driver stressed that these are threefold: a) get a venue for meetings, b) increase membership, and c) obtain media of

communication, meaning space on the Website and in the Newsletter. Van Neer insisted that too formal requirements for WGs might make ICAZ unattractive to them in particular since WGs in most instances are perfectly functional units that do not require ICAZ's support to keep on working. Uerpmann agreed but stressed that we still require an IC member represent the WG and that a certain number of WG members be members of ICAZ. He also raised the issue on whether non-members should pay more for attending ICAZ meetings to which Zeder replied that it seems natural for non-members to pay higher dues if they want to present a paper at an ICAZ meeting, and Meadow concluded that a non-member fee is required by statute.

From here onwards, Zeder focused the discussion by mentioning the three existing options on this issue: a) leaving things as they presently stand, b) requiring that all WG members be ICAZ members and c) requiring some quota of ICAZ membership or some kind of affiliation when WGs meet in conjunction with ICAZ meetings. After the ensuing discussion in which Payne, Uerpmann, Meadow, Driver, and van Neer took part, THE DECISION WAS TAKEN THAT, IN REGARD TO WGs, A REQUIREMENT ON THE PART OF ICAZ WOULD BE THAT A CORE OF 5 PEOPLE IN ANY WG SHOULD BE MEMBERS OF ICAZ AT THE TIME OF REQUESTING THEIR RECOGNITION BY ICAZ. Uerpmann insisted that we can define this as a policy, to which Zeder responded that we can develop policy language and send it for vote. Driver remarked that it would be easier to draft a text and have it circulated and Meadow said that this is actually what the EC is for. EVERYBODY SECONDED A PROPOSITION BY ZEDER TO SEND THIS AROUND AS AN E-MAIL VOTE TO THE IC AND TO ADOPT IT AS A POLICY BEFORE ICAZ 2002. THE SAME DECISION WAS TAKEN ON THE ISSUE OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

## **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **7A. PAYMENTS AT MEETINGS FOR MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS**

Meadow specified that this question was raised at Victoria as the organizers were unclear on this point. Driver made the motion to have higher fees for non-members and Meadow amended it specifying that, if one wishes to participate in ICAZ meetings, the increment should be of US \$5. Reitz expressed concern about specifying exact amounts, while Zeder asked whether this amount would include a one-year membership to ICAZ. Meadow was unsure on this point. The problem that now exists is that, on the application forms, the two choices (i.e., \$45 for three years and \$30 for two years) do not consider the possibility that a non-member pays in order to participate in the 2002 ICAZ meeting. Zeder suggested that the form for the 2002 meeting should be very clear on this point, requesting the organizers to collect two fees: the usual \$15 for one-year membership and another one with \$20 for non-members. Bartosiewicz asked whether we should not simply state 33.3% higher for non-members.

### **7B. CURRENT EC MEMBERS**

Meadow reminded the audience that the EC at present includes, in addition to the President (Zeder), Secretary (Morales), Vice President (Payne) and Treasurer (Meadow), the following members: Bartosiewicz, Clutton-Brock, Clason, Uerpmann, Schibler, Noe-Nygaard, and Wigen (immediate past conference organizer) to which must be added the head organizer from Durham. Thus we

actually have two more members than is allowed by the statutes. This should be taken as a legacy from the old ICAZ structure that will change on the occasion of ICAZ 2002.

## **7C. WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

Zeder reported on future developments in these two information venues. In the future, all standing ICAZ members will have an ID card and a code that will, among other things, permit them access to the “members only” section on the Website. This section might have links to archaeozoological databases, and, among those proposed, Schibler and Becker suggested (by e-mail) osteometric and bibliographic databases. Others might be reference collections and membership directories as well as links to many other websites. Driver remarked that in doing this we are creating, de facto, another position within the structure of ICAZ. Upon being questioned, Lapham stressed that one major concern in developing the Website was that it could be easily passed on to another webmaster, although she was unsure on the possibilities of including other kinds of data such as graphic information and certain databases. Zeder was hopeful that the link section will be built up and serve us well.

## **7D. MEMBERSHIP LISTS**

Poplin posed the question about whether or not we may distribute or sell our list of addresses in the future. Meadow commented about a previous experience in which such a request was solved by directly circulating news about Don Brothwell’s retirement symposium rather than granting access to ICAZ’s list of addresses to the organizers of the event. The same thing can be done in the future, although perhaps an EC vote on this might be needed at some point. Payne reminded people that in many countries, the US and UK among them, circulation of a person’s name on such lists is illegal unless that person consents to it. Reitz stressed the need to be careful in order to protect ICAZ members, and Driver suggested that, if anybody wants to get something to our membership, it could simply pay a fee for having this information posted in the Website and/or Newsletter. Zeder concluded this is something to be considered with care in the future.

## **7E. INA PLUG’S REQUEST’S**

Morales informed the assembled company about two pieces of correspondence from Plug in which she asked the IC whether or not:

- a) ICAZ could support a submission to SADC (Southern African Development Community) to establish a training facility, courses, or lecture chairs on archaeozoology in any of the university or research centers existing in the region.
- b) ICAZ could grant some kind of recognition to trainees in basic identification techniques for archaeozoological purposes in the SADC area.

**PAYNE RESPONDED “YES” TO (a), “NO” TO (b), A MOTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY ALL IN THE AUDIENCE.**

Zeder congratulated all for what she thought was a most productive meeting, thanked Morales for his efforts, and after her concluding remarks, with no further matters to deal with, the session was adjourned at 19:30.