

## IFIP Working Group 3.2

### Minutes of the 2000 Annual General Meeting

The meeting was held on Tuesday August 22, 2000 at 17.30 hrs at the location of ICEUT2000, The Continental Grand Hotel, Beijing during the 16th IFIP World Computer Congress.

#### Agenda

1. *Apologies*
2. *Minutes of the last Annual Meeting.*
3. *Action list in the minutes:*
4. *Current activities*
5. *IFIP WG 3.2 Website*
6. *Future activities*
7. *Election of chair person*
8. *New membership*
9. *Other matters*

#### Draft minutes

##### 0. *Members present at the meeting*

Bob Aiken, Rita de Caluwe, Monique Grandbastien, Chan Mo Park, Raul Wazlawick, Tom van Weert (chair and minutes), Jan Zabrodski; Ricardo Reis who is on the programme committee of the Brazil working conference attended the meeting as guest.

##### 1. *Apologies*

Apologies for attendance of the Annual Meeting in Beijing were received from:  
Wilfried Brauer, Rita de Caluwe (who attended eventually), Charles Duchâteau, Lilian Cassel, Joe Turner, Petra Fisscher, Stephen Franklin, Ken Robinson.

##### 2. *Minutes of the last Annual Meeting.*

The meeting was held August 4, 1999 in Irvine, California, USA.  
The minutes were approved without alterations. Thanks go to John Hughes who took the minutes of the Irvine meeting.

##### 3. *Action list in the minutes:*

- TC3 Policy document 7-year plan Tom  
Updated plan to be brought forward at the TC3 meeting in November
- Future activity in South-Africa, contact Peter Waker Tom  
Contact has not been made; no reaction was received from Peter Waker.  
*Just after returning from Beijing I received an email from Peter expressing interest in hosting a seminar to promote the IFIP/UNESCO Informatics Curriculum Framework; he will ask the South-African rep to IFIP to support this seminar. Tom will follow up at the TC3-meeting in November*
- Contact details Colombo plan Alfred  
No contact details received by Tom
- Approach Jean Prey and report back to Tom Boots  
No report received by Tom; he has established direct contact with Jean who will not be able to attend the Beijing events

- Virtual WCCE2001 conference, theme 'Virtual Campus' Bernard  
This has been changed to a WCCE2001 Professional Group.
- Virtual WCCE conference, theme 'Lifelong Learning' Alfred  
Will appear in the WCCE2001 Registration Booklet
- Possible working group conference in conjunction with Raul  
the annual Brazilian meeting in August 2002  
Raul has been very effective; the budget proposal is nearly finished  
and looks good; IFIP Event Request Form to be submitted to Chair TC3 shortly.  
The Programme Committee has been established:  
Joe Turner (USA) Chair  
Bob Aiken, USA  
Roberto Bigonha, Brazil  
Wilfried Brauer, Germany  
Boots Cassel, USA (Co-editor)  
Gordon Davies, United Kingdom  
John Hughes, Australia  
Fred Mulder, Netherlands  
Daltro Jose' Nunes, Brazil  
Ricardo Reis, Brazil (Co-editor)  
Raul Wazlawick, Brazil (Chair Organizing Committee)
- Investigate options for a working conference in Australia, John  
possibly Sydney; report back to Tom.  
John reported back in the Annual Meeting (see below).
- Get new corresponding members approved by Chair TC3 (DONE) Tom
- Next annual meeting Beijing, August 2000 (DONE) WG

#### 4. Current activities

##### **IFIP/UNESCO Informatics Curriculum Framework ICF2000**

Fred Mulder and Tom van Weert were able to finish the curriculum framework in the spring of 2000. The framework was put on the Web by Boots Cassel: the URL is <http://Poe.netlab.csc.villanova.edu/ifip32/>

Communication of the framework to interested parties is a problem, it has for example not been put on the UNESCO website and follow up by UNESCO is unclear. Tom to find out what promotion and implementation activities can be realised by both UNESCO and IFIP. The curriculum will be sent by Tom van Weert to John Hughes, Chan Mo Park, Monique Grandbastien and Jan Zabrowski. They will publish the curriculum on websites in Australia, New-Zealand (John Hughes), South-Korea (Chan Mo Park), France (Monique Grandbastien) and Poland (Jan Zabrowski).

##### **2000 WG3.2 participation in the education stream of the World Congress in Beijing.**

WG 3.2 members have been active in the Computer Science Teaching Stream of ICEUT. The conference is/was characterised by a friendly and interested atmosphere.

#### 5. IFIP WG 3.2 Website

Petra Fisser has volunteered to work on an updated WG 3.2 website and has produced a prototype; problem is that she works with tools local to the University of Twente. A consequence would be that the current website (at the university of Boots Cassel) would have to be moved. Boots Cassel has confirmed to Tom by email that it is no problem for her to keep the website at Villanova University and to keep it up to date if materials are provided. Tom has had not time during the past year to give enough attention to website and updating. John Hughes is willing to help and to work with Petra

Fisscher and Boots Cassel on the content of the WG 3.2 website. Tom will work with Petra and Boots to resolve the problem of multi-location.

## 6. Future activities

- 2001 World Conference on Computers and Education, Copenhagen, Denmark.**  
Working Group members will be active during the world conference in both Professional Groups and Electronic Conferences. Tom will send a list of all WCCE2001 Professional Groups and Electronic Conferences to WG members.  
Tom urges working group members to advertise the world conference. If they need materials to do so they can contact Christine Gundstrup, Secretary to the conference at [wcce2001@sek.ddf.dk](mailto:wcce2001@sek.ddf.dk) or [www.wcce2001.dk](http://www.wcce2001.dk).
- 2002 Working conference in Brazil**  
IFIP Working Group 3.2 Working Conference "Informatics curricula, teaching methods and best practice", to take place in August 2002 "back to back" with the annual meeting of the Brazilian Computer Society. Raul Wazlawick, chair of the organising committee presented the conference to the meeting. It will be a 3 to 5 days conference (possibly August 7 to 9) with papers, focus group discussions and short papers. A possibility is to have participants present the (curriculum) situation in their country to the conference of the Brazilian Computer Society. The venue is beautiful and the hotel attractive. The last details have to be finalised by Raul with Joe Turner, Chair of the programme committee. Tom van Weert expressed his thanks to Raul (and Ricardo) for his efforts to organise a quality conference. Tom will submit the final proposal to TC3.
- 2002 Open conference Social, ethical and cognitive issues of informatics and ICT - SEC I3**  
Working Group 3.1 has invited us to participate in an open conference in Dortmund, Germany, 22-26 July 2002 about "Social, ethical and cognitive issues of informatics and ICT - SEC I3"; after consultation with Joe Turner I have accepted this invitation. We also have the Brazil working conference in the same year, but the topics are very different and will not interfere.
- 2002 World Congress in Montreal, Canada**  
In view of the other plans for 2002 no presence is planned in Montreal.
- 2003 Working conference in Australia**  
John Hughes has been into contact with Gopal Gupta who is currently at Bond University in Brisbane. Gopal is still willing to organise a working conference near Brisbane. The theme and topics still to be decided. Possibilities are:
- Life Long Learning in Informatics, the professional life cycle
  - Informatics technology used in informatics education; why not?
  - Informatics education for large groups of students
  - Gender issues
- John Hughes and Tom van Weert will follow this up with Gopal.
- 2004 ?????**
- 2005 ?????**

## 7. Election of chair person

By the end of 2001 Tom van Weert will have served his second term as Chair of WG 3.2 and a new Chair will take over. The following procedure was adopted by the meeting:

1. Spring 2000: invitation to working group members to make clear that they want to be a candidate in the election

2. Candidates present themselves to the Annual Meeting in Copenhagen
3. Discussion on the candidates in the Annual Meeting (no candidates present)
4. Secret ballot; all members at the meeting can give one vote; a normal majority suffices for a candidate to be nominated for the chair; when there is no majority the ballot is repeated for the candidates with most votes.

A vice-chair of a working group is considered to be a strong candidate for the chair.

### 8. *New membership*

Jill Slay (AUS) who is attending ICEUT might be interested to be informed of activities. John Hughes might be able to suggest possible candidates from South-Africa, as there are many South-Africans at the conference. Rita de Caluwe will contact Bassie von Solms for candidates.

### 10. *Other matters*

#### *ICT*

The acronym ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) seems not to be understood by Americans (this problem was put forward in the electronic meeting by Stephen Franklin). Both Boots Cassle (in an electronic reaction) and Bob Aiken feel that this is an unsolvable problem. If the acronym ICT is used first introduced in a text, it should be spelled out (as is good practice anyway).

#### *Thanks*

Bob Aiken expresses thanks to the programme committee of ICEUT for all the effort it has taken to put together the ICEUT sessions.

### **Action list**

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#### *WCCE2001*

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#### *2002 Working conference in Brazil*

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| Raul and Joe to finalise proposal. Tom to submit the final proposal to TC3. | Joe, Raul, Tom |
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#### *2003 Working conference in Australia*

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| John Hughes and Tom van Weert to follow up on working conference theme and contact with Gopal Gupta | John, Tom, |
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