

## **Minutes of the 2003 General Assembly – Geneva, Switzerland**

### **1. Opening Remarks and Minutes of the 2001 General Assembly**

The General Meeting was opened at 18.10 by the President, Sadaoki Furui, who welcomed the 38 members present.

The minutes of the 2001 General Assembly were read out. There was a comment from the floor that the powerpoint presentation that was placed on the web was not printable. The Chair responded that this would be remediated. The minutes of the 2001 General Assembly were formally approved.

### **2. President's Report**

The President presented his report in the form of a powerpoint presentation which is accessible at the following address:  
[www.iscaspeech.org/ISCA\\_GA03\\_902.pdf](http://www.iscaspeech.org/ISCA_GA03_902.pdf).

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer presented his report in the form of a Powerpoint presentation which is accessible at the following address:

### **3. Approval of the Reports**

The President's and Treasurer's reports were formally approved.

### **4. Handover of Secretariat to the new Secretary and Other Changes in the ISCA Board**

Changes to the following areas of responsibility within the ISCA board were announced. Valerie Hazan will be taking over the post of Secretary, Wolfgang Hess will take responsibility for Archives, Eva Hajicova for Special Interest Groups. These changes will take effect immediately. Frederic Bimbot was formally thanked for his work on the ISCA board.

### **5. Next ISCA General Assembly at ICSLP-2004 - Decision about Time and Form of Invitation**

It was announced that the next ISCA General Assembly would take place at ICSLP/INTERSPEECH 2004 in Jeju, Korea. The place and time of the meeting will be announced nearer the time.

### **6. Any Other Business**

There was a complaint from the floor regarding the full-paper submission policy at Interspeech conferences. The pros and cons of such a policy were discussed. It was argued that in some countries, it was necessary for papers to be refereed in order to get conference funding, and also that the review process, although cumbersome, had successfully been completed this year. The issue of the proliferation of satellite workshops and overlap between workshop and main-conference papers was brought up by an ISCA member.

The ITRW Coordinator responded that it is indeed highly desirable for there to be no overlap. Satellite organisers were often reviewers for Interspeech conferences so many potential overlaps should be picked up. Finally a member commented that it would be useful to have a mechanism to comment on the organisation of individual Interspeech conferences.

The President declared the meeting closed at 19.05.