

iSMARTi Meeting  
MAIREPAV5, Park City, Utah, USA

Room Kokopelli III, Grand Summit Hotel  
Wednesday, August 8, 2007  
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Present: Paulo Pereira (meeting chair)  
Tien F. Fwa  
Rita Fortes  
Ezio Santagata  
Massimo Losa  
Tom Papagiannakis  
Ghim Ping Ong  
Mohammed Memon  
Louay Mohammad (guest)  
W. Alan Strong (guest)  
Alan R. Woodside  
Hesham Mahgoub (on behalf of Ali Selim)  
Gerardo Flintsch  
David Hosin Lee

Item	Description	Action
1.	The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5.30 pm and welcomed all to the meeting. He conveyed Prof. Waheed Uddin's apologies for being unable to attend and chair the meeting.	
2.	The Chairman provided a brief account of the history of iSMARTi since it was formed in 2003. He emphasized the importance of contributions from members to make iSMARTi an active society.	
3.	<u>Ballot of New Board of Governors</u>  The Chairman announced the ballot results of the new Board of Governors. As the balloting procedure was in order, the following members were duly elected for the next 4-year term (January 2008 – December 2011) for the position indicated: Paulo Pereira - President Tien F. Fwa - Executive Vice President	All to note

<p>4.</p>	<p><u>Annual Reports</u></p> <p>The Chairman presented the Annual Executive Report of the society, and the financial Report. He explained that the administrative staff of his research office has provided secretariat support to iSMARTi at no charges, except for some consumables such as stationery and postal charges for mailing the complimentary copies of International Journal of Pavements to members. The meeting agreed that iSMARTi could make some contributions to partially pay for the secretariat services. The Chairman will put up a proposal of iSMARTi contribution for the secretariat service for approval at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Pereira</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><u>Reports of Standing Committees</u></p> <p>The Chairman presented the reports submitted by the various Standing Committees. He reported that there are 7 vacant committee chair positions that need to be filled. Members commented that there have not been many activities by the Standing Committees, and that the Committees must generate a sufficient level of activities in support of iSMARTi missions. It was suggested that the committees should meet as regularly as practicable.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p><u>Web Page and Newsletter</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported that the society has a web page and urged members to contribute to the online newsletter by submitting articles on activities, technical reports and news items.</p> <p>The meeting agreed that minutes of iSMARTi meetings, news of iSMARTi conferences, and committee reports should be posted on the web page.</p> <p>The need for an iSMARTi journal to fulfill the mission of knowledge sharing was discussed. To save costs, an online journal can be launched. Good quality papers can be selected from iSMARTi organized conferences. Issues involved include coverage (pavement focus versus iSMARTi scope of transport infrastructure), frequency of publications, quality of papers, and possibility of printed version. This matter will be further discussed initially by the Board of Governors until the next meeting.</p>	<p>All to note</p>

7.	<p><u>MAIREPAV 5</u></p> <p>David Lee provided a summary report on the technical program and financial arrangement for the MAIREPAV 5 conference. He worked on a breakeven budget and relied on goodwill support from his own departmental secretarial staff. The meeting congratulated David for the well organized conference and the excellent effort.</p>	
8.	<p><u>iSMARTi Conferences</u></p> <p>The Chairman expressed his concern regarding the sustainability of iSMARTi running two international conferences in alternate years. The confirmed conferences are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ First iSMARTi Conference, ICTI 2008, Beijing, China</li> <li>▪ MAIREPAV 6 -- 2009, Torino, Italy</li> <li>▪ 2<sup>nd</sup> iSMARTi Conference, ICTI 2010, Egypt</li> </ul> <p>The following issues were raised and discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Financial responsibility by local organizing committee</li> <li>(b) Paper review and technical program by iSMARTi international steering committee</li> <li>(c) Possibility of combining MAIREPAV and ICTI to have one iSMARTi Conference, keeping the pavement focus of MAIREPAV by maintaining a Pavement Track, and offering parallel non-pavement tracks to pursue the overall goal of iSMARTi in promoting sustainable transport infrastructure development, maintenance and rehabilitation.</li> </ol> <p>The Chairman encouraged views and input from members to the Board of Governors. The Chairman will prepare a proposal based on the input and table it for decision at the next meeting.</p>	
9.	<p>The next meeting will be convened in Beijing, China during the 1<sup>st</sup> iSMARTi Conference, ICTI 2008, which will be held from 24 to 26 April 2008.</p>	
10.	<p>There being no other matters, the meeting adjourned at 6.50 pm.</p>	