Minutes of the Meeting
of the IAMS Executive and the Local Organizing Committee,
ISEDET, Buenos Aires, 10. April 1996

Present: Michael Amaladoss, Martin Conway, Edmund Davis, Teresa Okure, Klaus Schäfer;
Nestor Miquez, René Padilla, F. Scannone, F. del Viso.

Apologies: Ana Langerak, John Roxbourogh, Andrew Kirk, Peggy Loftus.

1. Welcome: Michael welcomes the participants and expresses his thanks for the efforts of the Local Organizing Committee to organize this IAMS-Conference in Buenos Aires.

Klaus reports that Peggy Loftus and Faitala Talapusi are not going to come to Buenos Aires.

2. Finalizing the agenda: The agenda is approved as prepared. Due to time pressure the meeting will mainly be concerned with finalizing the preparations for the Conference.

3. Minutes of the meeting of the "Rump" Executive Committee meeting 24.-26. November 1995 in Hamburg: The minutes are received with thanks to the secretary.

4. Update on the Conference:

Registrations: Klaus reports that there are about 130 people on the list, including some local persons. A separate list of other local participants has not been made yet by the Local Committee.

There were some last-minute cancellations: Sean McDonough, Glenda Prime; Horst Rzepkowski as well as Eugene Stockwell are not able to attend the Conference. Ana Langerak is going to arrive on Monday.

Local organization: Nestor Miguez reports on the local arrangements: Reception at the Airport, accomodation in the hotels, meals, xerox machine, Asado etc.

Translation: A translation equipment has been purchased; it will be handled by young people. The equipment is property of IAMS, and it should be decided on a later stage how to use it. Probably it should be taken either to Birmingham or Hamburg for use in the future.

Translation for plenary sessions will be English-Spanish and vice versa. Elisabeth Montieth will serve as interpreter for the first part of the Conference; Nestor and René will also participate in the interpretation.
Workshops: Klaus gives an update on the distribution of participants in workshops.

Forum papers: There are around 40 Forum Papers which have already been sent to the Hamburg office or will be handed over to the secretary here in Buenos Aires. Christoffer Grundmann is going to group these papers according to themes etc. and arrange a timetable for presentation of the papers.

Chair Persons:

Business Sessions: Michael Amaladoss; Teresa Okure;
Keynote Address: Teresa Okure;
Plenary on Theme/Panel: Julio de Santa Ana;
IAMS Projects: Andrew Kirk;
Presidential Address: Ana Langerak;
Workshop Reports: Frans Verstraelen;
Reflectors Report: Willem A. Sayman;
Conference Report: the newly elected President.

Panel discussion:

Argentina: Nestor Miguez;
Latin America: Paulo Suess;
North America: Mary Motte;
Africa: Jesse Mugambi;
Asia: Bishop Thomas Menamparambil;
Europe: Ulrich Duchrow.

Moderators of Regional Meetings:

Europe: Martin Conway;
North America: Mary Motte;
Latin America: Edmund Davis;
Asia: Michael Amaladoss;
Africa: Teresa Okure.

Worship Committee:

Pablo Soza as chairperson; Sr. Celestine Maitri, Sr. Keum-Ok Park, Pt. Jerome Rosario, Phillip Mazambara and others.

Drafting Committee: Bob Schreiter has agreed to be the chairperson of the Drafting Committee. Also agreed to serve on this Committee
have Edith Bernard and Jesse Mugambi.

Nomination Committee and guidelines for election: Edward Schroeder has agreed to serve as the chairman of the Election Committee. Other members will be appointed by the Regional Meetings. The Regions should also suggest candidates for the Executive Committee.

Klaus has prepared a summary of the previous discussion after the Hawai Conference as to the procedure to the elections of the President, Vice President and the Executive Members. It is resolved to go ahead with the elections according to these guidelines.

IAMS Projects: The plenary session on the IAMS projects should give opportunities for reports from the project work, but also to some imaginative discussion on the future project work of IAMS. Particularly Michael stresses the need to come to a new understanding and initiative as to the IAMS project activities.

Press Conference: The Local Committee and Daphne Plou, representative of WACC, will set up a Press Conference some time after the election of the new President and the discussion on the conference statement.

5. IAMS Conference 2000: Klaus reports that there are invitations from three places for hosting the next IAMS Conference:
   Jerusalem (Petra Heldt);
   Edinburgh (David A. Kerr);
   Pretoria (South African Missiological Society).

Martin Conway is requested to report on these invitations in the first Business Session. There should, however, not be an extended discussion on the venue of the next Conference.

6. Finances: Martin and Nestor provide information on the financial situation.

7. Applications for membership: This item was postponed.

8. MISSION STUDIES: Klaus conveys greetings from Horst Rzepkowski. The Conference thanks Horst for the publication of the pre-Conference issue. It was not easy to get all the preparatory papers in time. Suggestions as to a Committee of Contributing Editors, brought forward by Martin Conway, will be taken up at a later stage.

9. Miscellaneous: -.
Michael Amaladoss closes the meeting with thanks to all who participated, particularly those from the Local Organizing Committee.

Hamburg, August 1996

Klaus Schäfer