## CHARTER MEETING OF THE RUSSIAN SECTION OF SOCIETAS INTERNATIONALIS ODONATOLOGICA (R.S.S.I.O.)

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Abstract — The meeting took place in Novosibirsk, on 11 Feb. 1998, and was attended by 13 workers. The Chairman of the Section and the Editor of its semiannual periodical, *BELYSHEVIA*, is Prof.Dr A.Yu. Haritonov. Among the objectives of the Section are the coordination and promotion of odonatological research in Russia, and the organisation of the 15<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Odonatology, scheduled to be convened in Novosibirsk, in July 2001.

## Introduction

In the Russian and in the international odonatological community alike, the need of a national odonatological organisation in Russia has been strongly felt for some time. Following the discussions at the 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Odonatology, Maribor, Slovenia, July 1997, the initiative was borne to convene a meeting of the Russian workers, where the possibilities of setting up a Russian S.I.O. Section would be explored.

The meeting took place in Novosibirsk, on 11 February 1998. It was attended by Dr S.N. Borisov, Dr A.G. Bugrov, Ms M.V. Dronzikova, Dr V.D. Gulyaev, Prof.Dr A.Yu. Haritonov, D.Sc., Dr Kh.A. Ketenichev, Dr O.E. Kosterin, Mr E.A. Perepelov, Ms O.N. Popova, Ms E.A. Serbina, Dr G.A. Sukhacheva, Ms V.A. Yanybaeva, and Dr N.L. Yurlova.

The five Agenda items were: (1) Discussion on the foundation of the Russian Section of the Societas Internationalis Odonatologica, R.S.S.I.O.; — (2) Election of the Board of the Section; — (3) Publication organ of the Section; — (4) Election of the Editorial Board of the latter; — and (5) Report by Dr A.Yu. Haritonov & Ms O.N. Popova on the 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Odonatology.

## Resolution

(1) Taking into account the SIO tradition of na-

tional sections, and based on the preliminary opinions of 18 Russian workers, it is considered reasonable to set up the Russian Section of the Societas Internationalis odonatologica (R.S.S.I.O.), whereby its Charter Members are requested to iron out any possible initial technical



Fig. 1. Some of the attending Charter Members: (1) S.N. Borisov; — (2) E.A. Perepelov; — (3) O.E. Kosterin; — (4) A.G. Bugrov; — (5) E.A. Serbina; — (6) V.D. Gulyaev; — (7) O.N. Popova; — (8) G.A. Sukhacheva; — (9) A.Yu. Haritonov; — (10) M.V. Dronzikova.

problems, and they are authorised to prepare the Statutes.

- (2) The R.S.S.I.O. Board was elected as follows:
  - C h a i r m a n: Professor Dr Anatoli Yuryevich HARITONOV, D.Sc., Deputy Director of the Institute of Animal Systematics and Ecology of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences;
    - -. Deputy Chairman: Dr Sergei Nikolaevich BORISOV, Ph.D., Senior Research Associate at the Institute of Animal Systematics and Ecology of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences;
    - D e p u t y C h a i r m a n: Dr Oleg Engelsovich KOSTERIN, Ph.D., Research Associate at the Institute of Cytology and Genetics of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences;
    - S e c r e t a r y: Ms Olga Nikolaeva POPOVA, post-graduate student at the Institute of Animal Systematics and Ecology of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences.
- (3) In order to facilitate information exchange

and to promote odonatological research, the Section will be publishing a semiannual periodical, *BELYSHEVIA*, the first issue of which is scheduled to appear in June 1999.

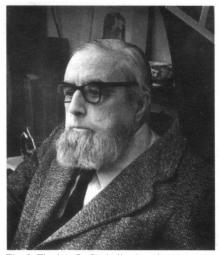


Fig. 2. The late Dr Boris Feodorovich Belyshev, in memory of whom the Russian odonatological periodical is to be named.

- (4) The Editorial Board of *BELYSHEVIA* was elected as follows:
  - Editor in Chief: Dr A.Yu. Haritonov;
  - Members: Dr S.N. Borisov, Dr A.Yu.
    Haritonov, Dr O.E. Kosterin, Ms O.N.
    Popova, and Dr G.A. Sukhacheva.

The Editorial Board is authorised to tackle the subscriptions, and to adopt foreign members, as required.

(5) Notice was taken of the organisational details and work of, and of the discussions at the 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Odonatology, held in Maribor, Slovenia, 14--21 July 1997.

(6) The organisation of the 15<sup>th</sup> International Symposium in Novosibirsk, July 2001, was adopted as one of the major R.S.S.I.O. objectives in the near future.

[The official Russian document was signed by the 13 Charter Members.]

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