The BSI Fortran Panel has 23 members, including observers and a graphics liaison member. There has been one panel meeting since the last WG5 meeting; most of the panel's business is conducted by mail and e-mail. In addition, two of its members are also members of the BSI committee on programming languages, the national counterpart of SC22. The number of UK-based members of X3J3 remains at one (Graham Barber).

In June Miles Ellis was confirmed as convenor of WG5 following the SC22 ballot (SC22/N1779).

The UK proposed Malcolm Cohen as editor, following the withdrawal of Lawrie Schonfelder from the editorship of the Technical Report on Enhancement of Derived Type Facilities in Fortran.

The UK voted for the registration of the CD for Fortran 95 and "yes with comments" on the CD itself (SC22/N1842); the comments included both technical points, where corrections were required before progression to DIS, and editorial improvements and corrections.

The UK has submitted a number of new entries for inclusion in the Repository of Requirements for Fortran 2000. In doing so the policy was adopted that where an existing entry already covered the UK's requirements, no further submission would be made.

We regret having to record the withdrawal from most standards activities, since the last WG5 meeting, of Lawrie Schonfelder. Lawrie has been an active member of the BSI Fortran Panel and two other BSI committees on IT and programming languages as well as, of course, WG5 and X3J3. He will remain as project editor for the revision of the Varying Length Character Strings in Fortran standard. We also much regret that Jamie Shiers has withdrawn from Fortran standards activities.

The British Computer Society Fortran Specialist Group continues as an open forum for discussion of Fortran matters in the UK. It has held two meetings since the last WG5 meeting.

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