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AGM

7.45am Friday 28th March 2014

Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London

Honorary Chair UKCS: Carmel Ramage (CR)
Honorary Treasurer: Philip Toozs-Hobson (PTH)
Honorary Secretary: Stephanie Knight (SK)

Chairs UKCS conference 2014: Roland Morley
Dudley Robinson

Apologies: None

Minutes of last meeting: Accepted as a true record

Treasurer's report:

PTH reported the account balance currently stands at £50,546.82

Membership fees accounted for £1205

Profit from 2012 meeting £5105

There was a refund of £245 from Yately Hockey Club

Meetings to discuss the Minimum Standards in Continence Care:

- 1st November 2013 2 day meeting including hotel costs was £3367.15
- 1 day meeting 2nd January 2014 £829.70 travel costs

Expected income from UKCS in Bradford of £8131. Income should also be generated from the launch of the Minimum Standards in Continence Care, and urodynamics recertification meetings.

Secretary's report:

SK encouraged members to visit the website and thanked Doug Small for updating the website. There is a blog on the website which members are encouraged to feed into.

SK will produce a newsletter to update members of any activities.

Membership: there is currently no facility on the website to pay subscriptions, therefore any subscription money should be sent to PTH secretary, Elaine Smith, at Birmingham Women's Hospital

Committee reports:

Constitution (CMR)

The constitution has been available on the UKCS website and open for comments from the membership. Suggestions were made to expand the committee, certainly to include the chair of the previous year's meeting, current and next year's meetings, in order to preserve corporate memory. This proposal was supported by Roland Morley. In addition to take on an extra committee member to take charge of the process of re-certification in urodynamics.

The membership present at the AGM were unanimously in favour of the constitution.

Philip Tooze-Hobson would like to step down as treasurer of UKCS due to taking up the role of treasurer of BSUG.

PTH proposed Dudley Robinson as treasurer of UKCS this was seconded by Roland Morley.

Volunteers are required for additional posts to represent the multiprofessional ethos of the society. A newsletter and email will be sent to members, and posted on the UKCS website in the next few weeks, to outline the new roles, and ask for expressions of interest to volunteer for the new posts. Probable posts will include a vice-chair and an administrative secretary.

Minimum standards in continence care (PTH)

Teleconferences and face to face meetings have been taking place since last year's UKCS conference and a document "Minimum Standards in Continence Care" has been produced by hard work from many members.

The document has been circulated and all comments have been positive. The draft document can be found on the UKCS website (www.ukcs.uk.net/2014_docs.htm).

Angie Rantell is working to make final corrections and get the document fit for publication and there will be a launch meeting in September-details to be announced.

The Joint Statement for Minimum Standards in Urodynamic Practice is also available on the UKCS website.

Certification (CMR)

Numbers are slowly growing.

The first group from the initial certification process are now due for re-certification. The process of re-certification has not yet been finalised. This may include evidence of ongoing practice and CPD.

A proposal was made to set up UKCS sponsored Urodynamics courses eg. Basic science, practical tips, peer review of traces.

Several people have been in contact with PTH to ask how to re-certify.

Suggestions from the membership were that UKCS sponsored courses may be

- A single day course
- 2-4 courses offered per/annum
- Peer review of traces
- Input from industry

- Make courses accessible and cheap
- To re-certify do one course every 3 years
- Link in with annual meeting-satellite sessions
- On-line training

The membership were in support of the process to re-certify. It was unanimously agreed that a course should be attended every 3 years. Further information will be emailed once educational training has been arranged.

Meetings report (PTH / CMR)

Last years conference in Bradford attracted 224 paying delegates and 118 abstracts.

Final profit in 2012 £5105. Expected profit from 2013 £8131.

London 2014 attracted around 300 paying delegates with 88 abstracts submitted and only 3 turned down, with a good mix of oral and poster presentations.

UKCS 2015 Presentation

Mohammed Abdel-Fattah showed a short video to promote the 2015 meeting to be held in Aberdeen. This will be a joint meeting with the Scottish Pelvic Floor Network. The meeting will be held from 25-27th March 2015. Details of the meeting website will be available on our website as soon as we have them (www.ukcs.uk.net). Registration opens from October 1st 2014. PLEASE NOTE THE ABSTRACT DEADLINE MAY BE EARLIER THAN USUAL SO WATCH THE WEBSITE.

Dr Abdel-Fattah thanked the 2014 committee for a successful meeting.

AOB

Roland Morley said there had been a lot of late withdrawals from the annual dinner which means lost income. How can we ensure that people come to the dinner once they have registered? It was suggested that the problem may have been due to the conference being in London, and that delegates were staying some distance from the venue. Also there are many other attractions in London.

Dr Abdel-Fattah proposed that the dinner is an extra cost after registration for next year's meeting. However as many nurses and allied health professionals are self-paying this may lead to them not attending the dinner, which is an important part of the multiprofessional nature of the UKCS. The dinner needs to be easy to access and not expensive.

Dr Abdel-Fattah discussed the bad publicity for meshes and tapes in Scotland, and they are working to produce pathways of care. Roland Morley directed him to the BSUG and BAUS consensus document which clearly outlines the circumstances under which meshes or mid-urethral tapes are indicated. Roland encouraged Scotland to use these existing documents which have been endorsed by the MHRA. UKCS support the stance already taken by BSUG and BAUS.

Future meetings are:

2015 Aberdeen

2016 Belfast

2017 Newcastle Expressions of interest to host future meetings would be welcomed.