



ICS Board of Trustees and Conticom-ICS Ltd Directors

Teleconference Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 3 December 2013, 14:00 – 15:00 (GMT)

Present: Sender Herschorn (SH, Chair), David Castro Diaz (DCD), Jacques Corcos (JC), Katherine Moore (KM), Steinar Hunskaar (SHu), Adrian Wagg (AW)

Apologies: Sherif Mourad, Masayuki Takeda, Alex Wang

In attendance: Dan Snowdon (DS), Dominic Turner (DT)

Wiley contract

IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

Ethics Committee attendance at Board meetings (final decision)

This item had been discussed at length on the board forum. It was agreed that special attendance was not required as minutes were publically available to all ICS members.

Motion: For the Board to formally permit a member of the Ethics Committee to be present at each meeting.

AW proposed

KM seconded

Result: all against

Motion denied

The Board did take on feedback from the committee and will improve their communication of Board minutes. Currently all minutes are shared with the membership. The availability of minutes will now be made clearer within ICS mailings. More sign posts will be created on the website. A separate link for committee members will be sent to ensure that important messages have been relayed.

ACTION POINT 192: Communication of Board minutes to be improved to ensure wider access to Board discussion and decisions.

Board composition

Four trustees are stepping down in 2014 and five trustee positions are available. The Board has heard feedback from the members of a need for representation within the group of trustees. Discussion covered the various specialties that might be included and considered



the most important factor being that a trustee was capable and hard working.

The Board looked at the composition of the ICS membership and discussed the benefits of having at least one representative from the major medical groups (urologist, uro/gynaecologist, allied health – nurse/physio). DCD suggested there should be enough nurse and physio members in the ICS to secure a candidate. It was clarified that has not always been the case given the higher levels of other professions within the ICS.

The Board considered appointing an 'other' trustee but agreed this was too vague to define and would lead to confusion.

DS pointed out that the Board had secured certain professions in the past to address an imbalance in the Board. For example, a gynaecologist and an allied health trustee.

SH proposed continuation with the prevailing opinion to secure the major representative groups and allow the other positions to be fully open for membership vote.

Motion: To ensure representation of the multidisciplinary nature of the society the Board will secure a trustee position for each of the following disciplines: urologist, urogynaecologist/gynaecologist, allied health (nurse/physio)

KM proposed

AW seconded

Result: all in favour

Motion approved

ACTION POINT 193: DS to ensure communication of Board composition changes for 2014 trustee nominations. Changes to the Bylaws will also be considered.

Annual meetings policy

The Board discussed an agreement with IUGA for the societies to not hold their annual meetings in the same continent. The exact details of this arrangement are yet to be agreed with IUGA.

DS is speaking to Chuck from IUGA about the possibility of non competition beginning from 2017. At this stage it is more likely that this agreement will commence from 2018.

AW recommended that a letter be sent to Bob Freeman/Willy Davilla inviting a formal discussion and agreement. SH will draft this letter, with support from DS.

ACTION POINT 194: SH to draft a letter to IUGA inviting a formal agreement on annual meeting location policy. DS will provide support.



Any other business

KM advised the Board that draft changes to Articles and Bylaws would be posted on the forum soon. These should be considered in advance of the January Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned