



## CONFIRMED

### Minute of a meeting of College Council held on Tuesday 8 January 2008 within College

#### Present

Professor B O Williams, President  
 Dr F G Dunn, Vice President (Medical)  
 Mr D Galloway, Vice President (Surgical)  
 Dr E Walker, Dean of Faculty of Travel Medicine  
 Mr I W R Anderson, Treasurer  
 Professor P V Knight, Registrar  
 Dr J Taylor, Honorary Secretary  
 Mr M Bransby-Zachary  
 Mr G Conn  
 Mrs A Lannigan  
 Professor S MacRury  
 Dr J A McCaul  
 Mr J R McGregor

Dr R McKee  
 Mr M J McKirdy  
 Dr R Madhok  
 Mr N Mamode  
 Dr E Morrison  
 Dr K Paterson  
 Dr H Scott  
 Professor R D Stevenson  
 Professor C J Suckling  
 Mr G T Sunderland  
 Mr J D Watson  
 Dr A Zoma

#### In Attendance

Dr J A Miller  
 Mrs C M Capps

#### **ACTION**

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Dr A Bryson, Dr G Cook, Professor J Connell, Mr J Drury, Dr A Dunk, Mr A Henry, Professor M Lewis, Dr L McAlpine, Dr M McElroy, Mr J Steers.

President welcomed Mr Graeme Conn, Dr Frank Dunn, Dr Rajan Madhok and Mr N Mamode to their first meeting of Council.

#### 2. Minutes of the Meeting of Council of 27 November 2007

These were approved as an accurate record.

#### 3. Minutes of AGM, 30.11.07

These were approved as an accurate record.

#### 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

##### (a) Revalidation for Fellows

Professor Knight provided an update on the meeting outcome from the Collegiate Working Party on Revalidation for Fellows.



The Surgical Forum Recertification Governance Group will meet on Monday 28 January 2008. An update will be given at Council in March. Professor Knight intimated that it was becoming increasingly clear that physicians should attempt to do something similar. A recent Federation meeting had agreed that the 3 RCPs should work together on this matter but this would stop short of revalidation becoming the 4<sup>th</sup> pillar of Federation activity at this stage.

Fellows would be kept up-to-date regarding revalidation.

**(b) College Advisers**

Dr Taylor reported that a College Adviser (physician) for Northern Ireland has been appointed and would also lead in the PACES examination in NI.

Draft job descriptions for College Advisers will be finalised and advertised. College noted a plan proposing to pilot five teaching hospitals in Glasgow in an attempt to take the role of College Adviser forward. It was suggested that Dr Taylor approach Mr Ian Ritchie, who has reviewed the position of College Tutors in Surgery.

**(c) Update on Skills Centre Development**

Tender documents had been sent to appropriate consultants enquiring whether they would be interested in undertaking a site option appraisal for the proposed build of the new clinical skills centre. Responses are expected at the end of January. Council will be kept up-to-date regarding the Skills Centre Development.

**5. Any Other Competent Business**

**(a) Lay Advisory Induction Event, 10.1.08, 6.30pm**

Professor Suckling reported that an Induction Evening would be held for those who had expressed interest following the recruitment event in October 2007. This event will take place on Thursday 10 January 2008, 6.30pm, within College. This evening will allow a two way exchange of views as to how lay advice may be given and received within the current governance structure.

An agenda item will involve discussion surrounding the Tobacco Consultation and the issues raised will be reported to Council.



**(b) Audit and Remuneration Committee**

Two new nominees from Council are required for the Audit and Remuneration Committee. Dr Miller requested that any council member who had an interest in taking part in this committee should contact him directly.

**(c) Iraq Programme**

A cohort of clinicians will arrive in Scotland on Monday 28 January 2008, and will undertake clinical placements. These placements will be for observation only and, on this occasion, no nurses will be present.

Council heard that a number of changes had been made to the programme in light of experience and feedback from the first cohort, hosted by RCPSG in May 2007.

As clinical lead on this project, Dr Asad Zoma was thanked for making arrangements.

**6. Items for Discussion**

**(a) MMC 2008**

Council were reminded about previous concerns surrounding MMC, in particular, problems with:

- Research fellows being excluded from applying for ST3 / ST4 posts
- Human Resources departments not fully committing to the recruitment process
- Consultants in Scotland not engaging with the process

President reported he had written to Nicola Sturgeon MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Well Being highlighting these issues to which she had responded.

The numbers of trainee posts were discussed. Council noted that within Cardiology, trainees in ST2 posts would be allowed to apply for ST3 posts. Dr Dunn reported that six posts would be created, although it was unclear whether these were additional or substitute posts. Council also noted there had been a reduction in ST1 posts.

From a surgical perspective, it was noted that FTFSA posts have diminished although an extra 5-6 trainee posts have been created, and there was uncertainty surrounding the level of these posts. Mr McGregor intimated that overall the process is working well, and was an improvement in the situation faced by trainees last year. He also indicated that the commitment is considerable.

It was agreed that President would write to Ms Sturgeon seeking clarification

**President**



about the creation of bulk posts / new posts.

**(b) Tooke Report**

The final report was published on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008. The final report was broadly the same as the interim report. There were two key additional recommendations relating to the creation of a central body responsible for Medical Education in England (MEE) and a need to examine in more detail how training can be accommodated with the EWTD.

The Academy of Medical Sciences, GMC, Academy of Medical Royal Colleges and PMETB have all supported Tooke's recommendations and written to the Secretary of State for Health in the department of health requesting that the recommendations be implemented.

During discussion, Councillors highlighted issues regarding PMETB and the European Working Time Directive.

Council was directed to the Abstract and Executive Summary of Sir John Tooke's Final Report, and noted that there were now 47 recommendations. The following were re-iterated:

1. PMETB to be merged within GMC
2. Uncoupling of FY1 from FY2
3. FY2 should be transferred into a 3 year broadly based core process
4. Creation of a new body: National Co-ordination in England – A National Body for Medical Education

President would write to Ms Nicola Sturgeon MSP, seeking a response from the Scottish Government in relation to the recommendations made and also to enquire which of the recommendations will be implemented in Scotland (apart from those which are specific to England).

**President**

**7. Items for Noting**

**(a) Education and Professional Development Board**

**(i) Unconfirmed Minute of Education and Professional Development Board, 7.11.07**

Dr Dunn took the opportunity to emphasise the contribution made by Dr Semple to this board and recorded his thanks for this.

**MSc**

The MSc is progressing well. A commencement date of September 2008 is anticipated, and this course will be offered via Glasgow University Business School

**“Away Day” in December**

The December “Away Day” had been successful enabling the Board to



develop its strategic plan and to discuss delivery of it. Dr Brian Howieson will prepare a paper for the EPD Board, and Council will be updated thereafter.

(ii) **Trainees Committee**

There was no update due to apologies being tendered by Dr Morven McElroy.

(b) **Examinations and Assessment Board**

(i) **Unconfirmed Minute of Examinations and Assessment Board, 20.11.07**

Noted.

(c) **Membership Services Board**

(i) **Minute of Membership Services Board, 11.10.07**

Noted.

(ii) **Unconfirmed Minute of Scholarship Committee, 6.9.07**

Discussion took place surrounding various issues, in particular attendance and how scholarships are given. It was agreed that this would be discussed via the Membership Services Board and Council would be updated accordingly.

(iii) **Unconfirmed Minute of Ethicon Foundation Travelling Fellowship, 9.11.07**

Noted.

(d) **Dental Faculty**

(i) **Unconfirmed Minute of Dental Council, 6.12.07**

Noted.

(e) **Faculty of Travel Medicine**

Minutes from the next meeting of the Faculty of Travel Medicine will be provided for Council in March 2008.

(f) **Academy of Medical Royal Colleges - Executive Summary of 6.12.07.**

Noted.

8. **Items for Approval**

(a) **Admissions in Absentia**

It was agreed that in the future, Admissions in Absentia would be circulated and approved electronically.

The following individuals were approved for admissions in absentia:

**Fellow qua Physician**



Yim Wo <b>Hui</b> , MB BS 1986 Uni of Hong Kong	48165
Mohammad Zahidul <b>Islam</b> , MRCP(UK) 1992 Dhaka	48613
Mark Owen <b>McCarron</b> , MB BChir 1991 Cambridge	10957
Saiyeedur <b>Rahman</b> , MB BS 1983	49205
Rajinder Kumar <b>Singal</b> , MB BS 1980 Maharishi	48925

**Fellow qua Surgeon in Ophthalmology**

Sayan <b>Das</b> , MB BS 2000 Calcutta	34238
Santanu <b>Ghosh</b> , MB BS 1994 Maharshi	40048
Rehan Moinuddin <b>Shaikh</b> , MB BS 1993 Qaid-e-Azam	35000

**Fellow of the Faculty of Travel Medicine**

Gary Wayne <b>Brunette</b> , MD 2000	48067
Marianne <b>Janosi</b> , MB BS 1961 London	47936

**Fellow of the Faculty of Travel Medicine**

Mohammed Mahmoud Fahmi Metwali <b>Al Bannah</b> , MB ChB 1996 Alexandria	41739
Hamood Abdullah Mohammed <b>Al Shabanoti</b> , MD 2002 Qaboos	41748
Maher Hassan <b>Alomrani</b> , MB BS 1992 Damascus University	45758
Shiv <b>Chopra</b> , MB BS 1982 Delhi	40821
Avishek <b>Das</b> , MB BS 2002 U of Calcutta	48137
Mun Hon <b>Low</b> , MB BS 2002 Monash	44066
Khalid <b>Mehmood</b> , MB BS 1995 Baha-ud-Din Zakaria	41740
AbdAllah Abdelaziz <b>Mostafa</b> , MB BCh 1991 Cairo	42066
Deepak <b>Sharma</b> , MB ChB 1998 Leicester	33776

**Member**

Alison Joan <b>Craig</b> , MB ChB 1999 Glasgow	28141
Hazel <b>Miller</b> , MB ChB 2001 Glasgow	33231

**Member of the Faculty of Dental Surgery**

Colin <b>Hutchison</b> , BDS 2005 Glasgow	43962
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**Member of the Faculty of Travel Medicine**

Christie Michele <b>Reed</b> , MD 1996	48141
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**(b) Nominations for Fellowship Honoris Causa and Fellowship qua Physician and qua Surgeon**

The following were nominated and approved:

**Fellowship of the College Honoris Causa – Hon FRCP(S Glasg)**

Dr Margaret Chan

**Fellowship qua Physician ad eundem – FRCP(Glasg) ad eundem**

Lieutenant General Louis Lillywhite

Professor Jean-Pierre Bassand



**Fellowship *qua* Surgeon ad eundem – FRCS(Glasg) ad eundem**  
Mr Alfred James Wanklyn Steers

**9. Date of Future Meetings**

Tuesday 11 March 2008, 4.10pm, in College Hall

Council were asked to note the change of date in September. The annual dinner will be held on Friday 19 September, following a meeting of Council.

27 May 2008  
29 July 2008  
19 September 2008  
18 November 2008

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.