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Minute of a meeting of College Council held on Tuesday 15 May 2007 within College.

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Dr B O Williams, President	Dr J Long
Dr P V Knight, Registrar	Professor S M MacRury
Mr I W R Anderson, Honorary Treasurer	Dr L G McAlpine
Mr D J Galloway, Vice President (Surgical)	Dr J A McCaul
Dr W M M Jenkins, Vice President (Dental)	Mr J R McGregor
Dr E Morrison, Honorary Librarian	Professor J McKillop
Dr C G Semple, Vice President (Medical)	Mr M J McKirdy
Dr J Taylor, Honorary Secretary	Dr W Reid
Dr E Walker, Dean of Faculty of Travel Medicine	Dr H Scott
Mr M Bransby-Zachary	Mr J Steers
Dr A Bryson	Dr R D Stevenson
Professor J Connell	Professor R D Sturrock
Mr J K Drury	Dr M Taylor
Dr A Dunk	Mr J D Watson
Mr A D Henry	Dr A Zoma
Mrs A Lannigan	

In Attendance

Dr J Miller
Mrs C Capps

ACTION

1. **Welcome and Apologies**
The President welcomed Mr Kevin Sweeney (Chairman, RCPSG Audit and Remuneration Committee) to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Dr K Paterson.
2. **Minutes of the Meeting of Council of 13 March 2007**
These were approved as an accurate record.
3. **Presentation re: Finance Report and Audit Committee**
Dr Miller was invited to lead on this topic. Dr Miller outlined in his presentation (attached as an appendix to minute) the following:

Out turn for 2006 / 07 – including performance against the agreed budget and a comparison with the out turn for 2005/06. This demonstrated an operating deficit of £247,800. This compared favourably against the operating deficit of £889,157

for the previous financial year. Council members were reminded that the 2005/06 financial year was only a 9-month period. Taking into account the income from investments, the 2006/07 out turn demonstrated a surplus of £300,811. This compared favourably against the deficit of £593,236 for the previous financial year.

Draft Budget For 2007 / 08 – Dr Miller outlined the operational budget setting process undertaken to derive the income figure of £3,779,307 and expenditure figure of £4,005,494. In particular Dr Miller indicated that the income assumed no increase in the subscription fee for the forthcoming year.

Various questions were raised with regard to the assumptions made around income from education activity and sponsorship proposals. Discussions also related to the subscription levels for the forthcoming year. Dr Semple stated that whilst happy to approve the annual budget, in his view, the target allocated to Education and Professional Development was an ambitious goal. Whilst there was overall agreement not to increase the subscription rate, some reservations were noted, mainly to guarantee that there would not be a dramatic increase in subscription rates next year. Dr J Taylor welcomed the decision not to raise the subscription and took the opportunity to inform Council that Membership Services would be introducing a raft of benefits in the near future

In conclusion

Council received the out turn position for 2006 /07, subject to appropriate audit. Council agreed that subscription rates would not increase in 2007 /08. Council approved the outline budget for 2007 /08.

President invited Mr Kevin Sweeney, (Chairman of Audit and Remuneration Committee) to outline the role and remit of an Audit Committee. Council noted that an Audit Committee is charged with providing an independent and objective view of College's finance and related activities.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

President informed Council that the Senate of Surgery has been renamed "The Forum of Royal Colleges of Surgeons and Specialist Surgical Associations of Great Britain and Ireland" to be known as "*The Surgical Forum*".

Dr Brian Williams is the Chairman of the Surgical Forum and the term of office is for two years. Mr David Galloway will be RCPSG representative on the Surgical Forum.

(a) *Byelaws and Regulations*

Dr Knight reported that following the meeting of Council an EGM to approve the updated Byelaws and Regulations would take place.

Council was informed of an error on page 4 of the Regulations regarding membership to the Faculty of Dental Surgery of the College and Dr Knight provided the correction. This was approved.

(b) *MTAS*

President provided an update on the changes which had been implemented with regard to the recruitment of junior doctors into training posts. In particular it was noted that whilst the Scottish Executive Health Department has agreed a separate implementation plan for NES, College maintained a legitimate interest in the systems to be adopted within the other UK nations.

(c) *Royal Patron*

President reported that HRH The Prince William was currently unable to undertake Royal patronage of the College, expressing his concern that current commitments would not allow him to give the required attention to the duties of a Royal patron.

5. Any other Competent Business

MMC Inquiry – An Independent Review of Modernising Medical Careers, Professor Sir John Tooke

Dr Knight addressed this issue and reported that currently he was unaware of who would make up the Review Panel. There was a request to collect, either personally, or on behalf of College, factual evidence regarding MMC. This was a very important issue for fellows and members and feedback from the Trainees Committee was felt to be of particular importance. Whilst it was agreed that a response be issued from the RCPSG, it was acknowledged that dialogue occur between the UK Colleges to ensure that representation is nation-wide. It was agreed that the various issues should be discussed by members with their constituent bodies in order that a composite report could be prepared and then issued from RCPSG. Dr Knight requested that responses be submitted to him by 7 June 2007.

Members of Council were encouraged to visit the website - <http://www.mmcinquiry.org.uk/index.htm>

Agreed: *Comments to Dr Knight by 7th June 2007.*

**All /
Dr Knight**

6. Items for Discussion

(a) *Establishment of Intercollegiate West of Scotland Paediatric and Child Health Committee*

This was agreed. A letter would be sent to Dr Graham Stewart indicating this and also requesting that Council be kept up to date with their deliberations.

(b) *National Patient Safety Agency*

Dr Knight outlined the background of the National Patients Safety Agency (NPSA).

Dr H Gray (Consultant Physician at the GRI) had represented College on the NPSA for three years but was due to retire in the near future. He was eager that representation from RCPSG continues. Council agreed to retain this link. Professor Roger Sturrock expressed interest in representing RCPSG on the NPSA, and it was agreed that Professor Sturrock be the representative

from College.

(c) *“Behind the Medical Headlines”*

“Behind the Medical Headlines” is a website produced by the RCPSG, RCSEd and RCPEd. The contribution made by the RCPSG is approximately £5k per year.

Dr Knight enquired whether RCPSG was happy to continue with current tricollegiate arrangements? Council noted that the site received a considerable number of visitors and the feedback was generally positive.

Dr Knight indicated that there may be a request to increase the funding if one of the partners felt it could no longer support the venture financially.

Whilst College is happy to continue with the tricollegiate arrangements it was agreed that Dr Ken Paterson (member of the forum) give a brief presentation at the next meeting of Council. Any decisions with regard to future funding would be made following the presentation and any request made for further input.

Council members were encouraged to visit the website:
<http://www.behindthemedicalheadlines.com/>

7. **Board Reports**

(a) *Examinations and Assessment*

Mr Galloway highlighted various issues arising from the meeting of the E&A Unit held on 20 March 2007.

The following issues were noted:

- Establishment of an Equality and Diversity Training of Examiners across the board – hopefully this will be an on-line facility.
- There have been no further developments regarding the examination centre.
- MRCS 2009 – Communication Skills Assessment will now be a one-day course, which will be recorded and critiqued.
- Ms Valerie Hogg and the exam team are working on delivering the agreed operational plan.
- A number of individuals are will meet PMETB regarding surgical assessment strategy.

(b) *Education and Professional Development*

Dr Semple reported that the E&PD Unit had met on 14 May 2007 and outlined the increased portfolio of educational events.

Dr Semple was pleased with plans for future meetings and hoped that more evening meetings would evolve in an attempt to include individuals outwith the West of Scotland.

There was some discussion surrounding the issue of video-streaming meetings and E-strategy. Dr Semple outlined the wish to develop a user-friendly e-tool for equality and diversity. Dr Miller noted that College does have video links, and regarding video streaming, this formed part of the E-Resource Meeting. Mr Sunderland expressed his concern over what he felt was lack of communication regarding the outcome of such meetings, and Dr Miller highlighted that such information should be available via each Head of Unit.

(c) *Membership Services*

Dr J Taylor outlined the following issues:

- Further work was underway to ensure the current membership subscription database was able to deliver the reports required by the unit.
- A benefits package will be contained within the new membership and subscription forms.
- Bute Ceremony / Admission Ceremony – Dr Taylor reported that this had been a success and that the new gowns had been used.
- Ede & Ravenscroft will now produce all gowns for College.
- Those who received their Research Fellowships had been awarded.
- Ms Julie Miller (Marketing and Promotions Adviser) is in the process of drafting a marketing plan and it is anticipated that all areas are in scope.
- College Representative within hospitals – paper to be submitted to Management Board.
- The venue for the Charity Ball on 30.11.07 will be Kelvingrove Art Gallery. Ticket prices should be available in the immediate future.

(d) *Dental Council*

Dr Jenkins referred to the Dental Council Minute and indicated there was nothing further to report.

(e) *Faculty of Travel Medicine*

Dr Walker provided the following update:

- An update for the Faculty of Travel Medicine is now available on the website (as well as in the Minute of the Faculty of Travel Medicine).
- FTM Education and Assessment Committee will meet monthly, and Dr Walker was hopeful that an examination would be available by 2009.
- FTM Membership Services Committee - Dr Cossar is the Chair of the Faculty of Travel Medicine Membership Service Committee, and it was noted that Dr Cossar would be attending the International Society of Travel Medicine Meeting in Vancouver.
- FTM Education and Professional Development – Dr Walker anticipated an autumn symposium, which would hopefully be UK wide.
- Dr Walker reported a need for practical skill based training within the Faculty of Travel Medicine

(f) *Management Board*

Dr Miller directed Council to the unconfirmed Management Board Minute, and updated Council on the following three issues:

1. E-resources
2. Clinical Leadership – the first meeting will be on 11 June 2007, and comments will be passed on to Council.
3. Skills Centre – Dr Miller provided an update on the work of the clinical skills steering group.

8. Items for Information

(a) I. *Executive Summary of the Meeting of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges, 5.3.07*

Noted.

II. *Unconfirmed Minute of the Joint Royal Colleges of Physicians Training Board Meeting, 7.3.07*

Noted.

III. *Unconfirmed Minute of meeting of Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom, 8.3.07*

Noted.

IV. *Actions arising from Minute of Meeting of Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom, 8.3.07*

Noted.

V. *Executive Summary of the Meeting of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges, 16.4.07*

Noted.

(b) I. *Unconfirmed Minute of Management Board, 19.3.07*

Noted.

I. *Confirmed Minute of College Library and Archive Committee, 27.3.07*
Dr Morrison directed Council to the confirmed minute and urged Council to support the library and fund-raising events. Council were encouraged to use the members' area.

II. *Unconfirmed Minute of Scholarship Committee, 26.4.07*

Noted.

III. *Unconfirmed Dental Council, 26.4.07*

Noted.

9. Items for Approval

(a) *Admissions in Absentia*

Dr Knight highlighted concerns in approving admissions in absentia bi-monthly, and suggested these may be circulated electronically monthly.

Fellow qua Physician

Tsan Fai **Chan**, MB BS 01/11/1991 Hong Kong 46046
Dae **Dalus**, MB BS 01/05/1977 Kerala 44868
Adel Wahba **Ekladious**, MB ChB 01/07/1974 Alexandra 44865
Barry Austin **Gusterson**, MB BS 01/07/1976 London 46160
Sathyamurthy **Immaneni**, MB BS 01/12/1971 Aurangabad 45669
Mohamad Zubair **Khan**, MB BS 01/07/1980 Peshawar 41247
Jillian Margaret **Morrison**, MB ChB 10/07/1982 Glasgow 44809
Ooi Hong **Tan**, MRCP(I) 01/02/1006 Malaya 45348

Fellow qua Surgeon

Ian Kristensen **Ritchie**, MB ChB 01/07/1977 Aberdeen 45997

Fellow qua Surgeon in Ophthalmology

Vidya **Balasubramanian**, MB BS 01/04/1999 Bangalore 34091
Bassam Mohamed **Barakat**, MD 07/06/2000 Lebanese 45351
Charuta Umesh **Bhadre**, MB BS 22/02/2002 Shivaji 43777
Sachin Sanjiv **Dharwadkar**, MB BS 27/12/2001 Mumbai 45129
Avnish **Gupta**, MB BS 31/12/1997 AIIMS 32108
Venkatesh L **Konkal**, MB BS 31/01/2001 Gulbarga 40973
Aruna **Pujari Srinivasulu**, MB BS 24/04/1999 Dr M G R 44340
Rakhee Sanjay **Sagar**, MB BS 20/02/1993 Marathwada 42941
Ayisha **Shakeel**, MB BS 09/12/1998 Karachi 45366
Rishi **Swarup**, MB BS 15/02/2001 Manipal 38017

Fellow in Dental Surgery

Colin Alexander **Murray**, BDS 01/07/1991 Edinburgh 10185

Member qua Surgeon

Nadir Edmon E **Adam**, MB ChB 11/09/1991 Baghdad 41909
Farooq **Ahmad**, MB BS 01/11/1997 Punjab 41906
Khurshid **Alam**, MB BS 15/11/1998 Aga Khan 40172
Paula **Boughey**, MB ChB 01/07/2003 Manchester 45205
Wai Keat **Chang**, MB ChB 02/07/2004 Glasgow 40785
Dean Anthony **Cunha-Gomes**, MB BS 30/10/1990 Bombay Univ 37861
Ioannis **Dimarakis**, Ptychio Iatrikes 01/07/1998 Athens 36840
Shakeel Mohammad **Dustagheer**, MB BS Queen's Uni Belfast 42367
Abdul Wahab **Fahham**, DOCTOR IN MEDICINE 27/11/1988 Aleppo 41908
Christopher **Goh Kok Hean**, MB BS 07/08/2002 Nat Uni of Singapore 45307
Bethan Cadi **Hickerton**, MB ChB 04/08/2003 Liverpool 45509
Shareen Elizabeth **Jacob**, MB ChB 02/08/2001 Manchester 40995
Anand **Kirwadi**, MB BS 11/12/2000 Karnatak University 41534
Robert Michael **Learney**, MB BS 16/07/2003 Imperial 41344

Manoj **Mathew**, MB BS 15/03/1999 Kerala 37992
Shirali **Patel**, MB ChB Liverpool 41543
Martha Mclean **Quinn**, MB ChB 09/07/2004 Aberdeen 40788
Shilpa Sanjeevaraya **Rangapura**, MB BS 07/03/2000 Bangalore 45542
Khurum **Saif**, MB BS 16/02/1995 B.Z. University 41535
H Sadashiva **Somayaji**, MB BS 19/01/1996 Govt Med College 33732
Alfredo **Tonsi**, MD 23/03/2000 Italy 43999
South Heng Victor **Voon**, MB ChB 05/07/2001 Liverpool 40132
Malgorzata Ewa **Wardrop**, MB ChB 01/07/2000 Edinburgh 38983
Ajay **Yadav**, MB BS 23/10/1998 Rajasthan 42673

Member of the Faculty of Dental Surgery

Meyyappan **Alagappan**, BDS 01/10/1998 Tamilnadu Medical Univ. 40947
Immaculate Mary Sujatha **Anandaraj**, BDS 24/07/2002 Dr MGR 40689
Neha **Bhandari**, BDS 14/11/2002 M.A.H.E 39831
Nabina **Bhujel**, BDS 19/12/2000 Adelaide 44623
Ektor **Grammatopoulos**, BDS 14/07/2004 Newcastle-upon-Tyne 42463
Gaurav **Jain**, BDS 03/09/2001 Manipal 42022
Rajesh Thuruthiyil **Jose**, BDS 15/10/1997 Dr M G R 40521
Vanaja **Krishna Naik**, BDS 01/08/1998 Kuvempu 32368
Shaik **Mohiuddin**, BDS 01/10/2001 Ragiv Gandhi 39956
Hameed Waseem Hassan **Raza**, BDS 28/03/2001 Sri Ramachandra
32271
Vandana K **Shenoy**, BDS 28/12/1999 Kuvempu 42019
Neha **Singh**, BDS 10/12/2004 Ragiv Gandhi 40707
Gautham **Sivamurthy**, BDS 23/03/2005 Ragiv Gandhi 41894
Clare **Thomson**, BDS 31/07/2002 Dundee 36626

Member in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Neha **Bhandari**, BDS 14/11/2002 M.A.H.E 39831

Member

Mohammed Tauqeer **Ahmad**, MB BS 01/07/1997 Aligarh 46113
Heong Keong **Goh**, MB BS 01/07/2001 Malaya 46889
Keith **Grant**, MB ChB 01/07/1985 Aberdeen 46026
Neil Robert **Henderson**, MB ChB 01/07/2003 Glasgow 47343
Hari Kishan **Jayanthi**, MB BS 1999 NTR Univ.H.Sciences Atif Abbas
45953
Atif Abbas Mohd. **Khalil**, MB BS 01/01/1981 Khartoum 15643
San Choon **Kong**, MB BS 08/07/1993 Newcastle 18958
Yung Chien Raymond **Kwah**, MB BS 04/08/1999 Uni of Singapore 46890
Gaber Elsayed **Mohamed**, MB ChB 01/11/1987 Alexandria 45933
Sarabjeet **Oberai**, BDS 01/07/1989 Liverpool 45700
Mark Vignasha **Roberts**, MB ChB 01/07/2000 Aberdeen 32207
Shahzad Hussain **Shah**, MB BS 31/12/1999 Peshawar 45956
Raman VK **Sumal**, MB ChB 01/08/2003 Glasgow 46445

Hesham **Taha**, MRCP(UK) 01/12/2006 Ain Sham 46899
Deborah **Whitters**, MB ChB 01/07/2002 Aberdeen 46300
Jack **Winter**, MB ChB 01/07/1997 Glasgow 45857

(b) *Honorary Fellowship*

- Dr Susan Bews
- Mr Bernie Ribeiro, CBE

Both were accepted and approved.

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 31 July 2007, at 4.10 pm.

Prior to the close of meeting President reminded Council about the following events:

Guest Night

Council were encouraged to bring a non-medical guest to this event, which would be held on 25th September 2007

Admission Ceremony / Bute Occasion

President encouraged attendance at this event.

Management Board

President intimated that the Management Board meeting had been changed to Tuesday 12 June 2007.

Specialist Recertification Evening

Council was reminded that the supper colloquium would take place on Thursday 17 May 2007, within College.