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## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

Minute of a meeting of Council held in  
the **Alexandra Room** within College  
on **Tuesday 13 September 2005**

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### **Present:**

Professor G M Teasdale, President	
Dr D T Roberts, Vice-President (Medical)	
Mr J C Ferguson, Vice-President (Surgical)	
Dr W M M Jenkins, Vice-President (Dental)	
Dr P V Knight, Honorary Secretary	
Mr D. Galloway, Honorary treasurer	
Mr I W R Anderson, Assistant Honorary Treasurer	
Prof R Carachi	Mr J K Drury
Dr A Dunk	Mr R Miller
Dr P R Mills	Prof R D Sturrock
Dr R D Stevenson	Dr A Zoma
Mr G T Sunderland	Mr J Bancewicz
Prof J Connell	Dr J Long
Dr L G McAlpine	Mr C G Morran
Mr J A Murie	Dr M M Steven

### **In Attendance:**

Mr R K Littlejohn, Registrar

### **1. Apologies**

Ms S Elgammal, Mrs A Lannigan, Mr J R McGregor, Prof J McKillop, Dr W Reid.

### **2. Minutes of Meeting of Council of 8 July 2005**

The minutes of Council of 8 July 2005 were approved without alteration.

### **3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

#### Surgical Care Practitioners

The VP (Surgical) outlined that we had agreed with RCSEd to pursue the development of training for this grade jointly. He also noted that Prof Ian Greer is looking at nurse practitioners in obstetrics, i.e. there are multiple people interested in "paramedical" practitioners. Mr Sunderland had been delegated to take this issue forward with the Director of Education in Edinburgh (Prof David Rowley). He met with him last week. Specifically, it

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is proposed to set up an Advisory Board for Professions Allied to Surgery. A meeting has been convened by Mr Rodney Mountain (an ENT surgeon in Dundee). There was some debate as to whether this should be an Edinburgh College or bicollegiate Board but it is now clear that it is the latter rather than the former. This meeting will now take place at the end of September and include other interested parties, e.g. Association of Theatre Nurses.

GTS

The discussion moved on to other care practitioners, e.g. Physicians Assistants and also GPs with Special Interests and it was agreed that we would take forward a meeting with the Edinburgh College of Physicians on this topic.

Pres/DTR

The Honorary Secretary also noted that NES had a specific interest in care practitioners and GPs with Special Interests and were pursuing that currently.

As an aside, the VP (Medical) outlined the fact that a summative assessment of specialist knowledge for physicians was coming and this would mean that the Federation would need to improve their relationship with the various specialist medical societies.

#### MRSA Guidelines

A letter was tabled from Prof McKillop, who unfortunately was not there to speak to this. He had taken some soundings from various people and the general view is that the guidelines were aspirational in nature and would have wide reaching, but perhaps impractical, implications.

PVK

It was also noted that many other bodies were producing or had just produced similar guidelines. Council concurred with the view outlined by Prof McKillop and the Honorary Secretary agreed to take this forward with the Edinburgh College.

#### 4. Notes of College Executive Meeting of 26 July 2005

Received.

#### 5. Minutes of College Meeting of 5 September 2005

Received.

##### 1. Teaching of Anatomy in Undergraduate Medical Schools

The Registrar reminded Council that Dr Ian Melville had requested that Council consider the teaching of anatomy in undergraduate medical schools. After some discussion and anecdotal information around the table, there did appear to be some concerns on the teaching of biomedical sciences in general.

It was agreed that the President would write to the Scottish Medical Schools asking for reassurance that these topics would be reviewed.

Pres

##### 2. Amendments to Regulations

Amendments to the Regulations proposed in the last billet have been approved, with particular reference to the speeding up of the Fellowship approval process. It was agreed that a formal paper would be brought to Council in November regarding the specifics of how that would proceed.

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##### 3. Nominations

Finally the Registrar reminded Council that written nominations for office bearer positions were due to be submitted to him by 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## 6. President's Report

An amended version of the President's report to College was tabled and then he proceeded to update this covering a number of topics.

### MMC Scottish Implementation

- (a) There appears to be little information on finance of the programme, only about the risks and uncertainties. Considerable data seems to be awaited.
- (b) A new SpR training programme outline has been produced but selection remains problematic and the August 2007 deadline for selection to specialist training may be a deadline that not all specialties can achieve.
- (c) It was noted that Foundation Trusts in England might cause disruption to SpR training because they wish to define who does what and at what price.
- (d) MMC Scotland has agreed a tripartite group chaired by the CMO including the Colleges and NES to review processes needed to act in Scotland.
- (e) The possibility that Foundation Year 1 is proceeding more smoothly in Scotland was raised but as we are only a few weeks into this process it perhaps premature to comment.
- (f) Manpower planning at the moment is almost not possible because of lack of data and Council supported the thought that we should continue to give support to the new "lost tribe" of SHOIIIs via our College Tutors.

### Scottish Academy

- (a) It was noted that the Kerr Report will be taken forward in this session of Parliament and specifically around remote and rural issues there will be Colleges/SEHD/NES interaction. Initially a small group consisting of the President, Dr Denise Coia, Secretary Scottish Academy, Roger Gibbons (CEO in the Highlands), Malcolm Steven, John Logie, Mike Watson and Gillian Needham will consider how the lines of work should be structured e.g. what is done where (service), what training is needed to support this service decision (Colleges) and how the training is provided (NES). There was some discussion as to what levels of training would be needed for different individuals, specifically with reference to "intermediate care". In other words, do Colleges get involved in training below consultant level not only for medical staff but also for other groups of staff. There seems to be some conceptual difficulty with training for remote and rural because every area claims to be different.

**Pres**

Discussion document "A New Management Structure for Postgraduate Medical Education in Scotland" outlines the requirement to get the various relevant parties together to discuss medical training needs, these being the employers, Colleges, Deaneries and SEHD. It is suggested that there would be a limited number of Scotland wide Boards, with the number 5 being suggested currently and those suggested for further discussion are:

- Medicine – including A & E and Anaesthetics

- Surgery – including radiology
- Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Paediatrics
- GP, Public Health, Psychiatry
- Foundation programmes

There was general support for further discussions of this concept but some concern as to how this would fit with UK role of Colleges and where paramedical trainees would fit in, eg surgical care practitioners.

**Pres**

#### UK Academy

(a) Paul Streets (CEO) and Peter Rubin (Chairman) of PMETB attended the last meeting. Prof Rubin is clear that PMETB role is only what is defined by statute. Although they have overlaps with MMC, they will not go beyond CCT. Following Article 14 discussions on service level agreements, it was suggested a number of concordats be drawn up with the Colleges regarding this topic. For the moment the CEO of PMETB would prefer to interact with Colleges rather than multiple specialty associations.

(b) It has been proposed to set up an Intercollegiate Cancer Committee to try and unify oncological training across specialties. The future of the Scottish Board is to be reviewed. It has been suggested that the management of the educational Course developed by the Scottish Oncology Board be passed to NES.

**Pres**

#### Any Other Competent Business

Mr Sunderland noted the current co-operation with the Edinburgh College of Surgeons around some courses, eg Foot and Ankle Course. He reported that the concept of getting the education departments together for discussion was progressing and he also alluded to a meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> November on the role of nurse practitioners in surgery along with the Edinburgh College of Surgeons. He reported that he had been approached by medical students in Glasgow to create a Medical Students Surgical Society. This would essentially be the Glasgow Branch of something which exists in Edinburgh and the English College. This was approved in principle.

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### **7. College Committee Structure**

The President spoke to a tabled document regarding the implementation of College Strategy with priority actions under:

- College Structure and Function (CEO Office)
- Examinations and Standards (Unit)
- Membership and Support Services (Unit)
- Education and CPD (Unit)
- College Committee and Officers

He noted that Cheryl Teague had agreed in principle to become Head of Membership and Support Services. She has a background of commercial development at Glasgow and Paisley Universities and is also a Director of the Formakin Trust. We have had one round of interviews for Education and Professional Development with a second round to be forthcoming.

He proposed that we now needed to look at how our clinical structures would complement the new business units. Unfortunately it had not been possible to have an Away Day for all relevant people and as an alternative he suggested that a small working group, led by the Honorary Secretary and including a Council member, office bearer and committee chair,

would produce a suggested plan of action for Council. Council approved this proposal.

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8. **Scottish Medical Journal – Update**

The VP (Medical) outlined that discussions were proceeding satisfactorily. The SMJ would be circulated worldwide to our membership with the publication being brought 'in house' to the College. Prof Robert Carachi outlined that there would be 10 education articles over a year, 4 published with questions, and at present we were seeking an Education Sub-Editor. There was some discussion around the fact that this increased circulation would make the journal more attractive to advertisers but no policy decision had been taken around the use of advertisement.

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9. **Faculty of Travel Medicine – Update**

The VP (Medical) reported also on this issue which he said was progressing satisfactorily and a paper would be presented to Council at the next meeting for approval.

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10. **Status of Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine**

The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine is a Faculty of the Colleges of Physicians. They now propose to become a limited company by guarantee and as we are a parent body, we have to be clear that we limit our liability to a sum such as £1. Council endorsed this view.

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11. **Proposal by Intercollegiate Board of Sports & Exercise Medicine to seek Faculty status**

Initially it had been thought that the UK Academy would reject Faculty status for Sports Medicine as the membership would be very small. However, they have been persuaded to endorse this request and have made the Faculty responsible through JCHMT for endorsing training completion. It is not clear how many Colleges it will be a Faculty of and it was noted that the diploma of the Board is required, not membership of a college.

12. **College Accommodation – Update**

The Registrar updated Council. He had completed a review of our current office accommodation, which enables us to proceed in the short term. A chartered surveyor has been asked to produce an "on spec" marketing report on the building, detailing the possibilities around current use, possible sale or partial sale. It was agreed by Council that this would be an important topic, which we need to take forward in the short to medium term, to ensure that we had buildings fit for purpose.

RKL

13. **Surgical Intercollegiate Specialty Board Regulations**

The Honorary Treasurer spoke to this tabled document regarding eligibility for the Intercollegiate Specialist Examination in Surgery. Council were supportive of the principle and noted that the Senate of Surgery had approved it.

14. **Review of College Regulations**

The Registrar reported that one of his main tasks between now and the end of December would be to facilitate the re-writing of the Regulations. It was agreed that he should be assisted in this task by 2 or 3 Fellows, ideally one from each specialty group. In the first

instance, the VP (Dental) has agreed to assist. It was agreed to approach other suitable candidates to assist the Registrar in this task.

RKL

**15. Online Services Strategy – Update**

The VP (Medical) reported that College had taken advice from Dr Keith Simpson who had previously been the Chair of College IT Committee. Following this advice, we had undertaken a pilot of compiling a Standard Operating Procedure for the Education and Events Department. This would now be reviewed by the Executive to decide how best to proceed.

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**16. Survey of Effects on Education of New Consultant Contract**

It was agreed to re-run this survey this year.

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**17. Minutes of Council Committees**

- a) International Committee, 23 February 2005
- b) Trainees' Committee, 1 June 2005
- c) Symposium Committee, 7 June 2005
- d) Fellowship Committee, 27 July 2005
- e) Scholarship Committee, 11 August 2005
- f) Dental Council, 25 August 2005

These were received.

A number of topics were further discussed. It was agreed that, where possible, we would seek to improve our education provision in the North of England as a "form of reward" for Fellows who assisted in PACES in that area.

It was agreed that changes in the description of some scholarships were needed as there had been a number of inappropriate requests received by the Scholarship Committee.

The VP (Dental) drew colleagues' attention to the creation of the Cawson Prize Lecture in Oral Pathology. Prof Cawson was an Emeritus Professor who wished to endow a prize lecture of £1,000 biennially to be presented at the International Association of Pathology. College would be involved in the adjudication.

**18. Report from Board of Medical Examiners**

The Director of Medical Examinations wished to acknowledge the hard work of the staff within the Exams Office and welcomed the arrival of Valerie Hogg as new Head of that unit who was quietly beginning to introduce some changes. He noted that candidates for the MRCP have gone up and now constitute 20,000 per annum. Glasgow has increased its clinical numbers and now runs 26 centres per diet. He also noted that all diplomas were undergoing change and of particular note that the Diploma in Geriatric Medicine was now examining in Hong Kong.

**19. Report from Medical Executive Committee**

The VP (Medical) outlined that he felt this committee was atrophying and, therefore, it was now apposite to consider its future along with the rest of College committee structure.

**20. ROUTINE ITEMS**

## Statement by Royal College of Pathologists

It was agreed to publish on our website a statement endorsing our support of organ transplantation but it was considered too late to release a press statement.

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## Appointment of Director of Medical CPD

The Honorary Secretary outlined the fact that Dr Ronnie Baxter was resigning at the end of the month. It was noted that the Director of Medical CPD in the Glasgow College was not a particularly high profile role at present as they are not on Council and not really in any loop of decision making. It was also noted that it was likely that it might come to Glasgow to provide the Federation Director of CPD after Ian Starke. However, this was not guaranteed. The VP (Medical) was of the strong opinion that this should be an important post and should interdigitate with Council in some fashion. Clearly this post would need to be constituted in the round with other profiles and committee structures. College currently has an Associate Medical Director of CPD who is Rajan Madhok, therefore, it might be possible to have a holding position until the end of the year until we make a definitive decision.

DTR

## 21. Elections and Elevations

### Fellowship *qua* Physician

Ayman Abd El Wahab Mohamed EL HARIRY, MB BCh 1983 Ain Shams  
Dugald Alexander GLEN, MB ChB 1981 Edinburgh  
Brian KENNON, MB ChB 1993, Glasgow  
Elizabeth Ann McINTYRE, MB ChB 1993 Glasgow  
Gerard Anthony McKAY, MB ChB 1994 Glasgow  
Lap Shing Samuel TSE, MB BS 1988 Hong Kong

### Fellowship *qua* Physician

\*Shamim AHMED, MB BS 1979 Dhaka  
\*Basil NS Al-DILEAMY, MB ChB 1970 Baghdad  
\*Satish JAIN, MB BS 1978 Kurukshetra  
\*Ayman KARKAR, MB BS 1981 Jordan  
Dilip R KARNAD, MB BS 1983 Bombay  
\*Heok Seng LIM, MB BS 1973 Singapore  
\*Ashok Anant MAHASHUR, MD 1976 Mumbai  
\*Andrew POWER, MB ChB 1988 Glasgow  
Fawzeya Mohamed Ali ABU AL ASAAD, MB BCh 1975 Ain Shams  
Zaidan Khalaf Saad AL-HERGANI, MB ChB 1969 Baghdad  
Sanjay ARYA, MB BS 1988 Magadh  
Avdhesh BANSAL, MB BS 1977, Delhi  
Stephen Ronald BICKNELL, MB ChB 1983 Glasgow  
Eamonn BRANKIN, MSc (FFSEM)  
Puttaswamy CHANDRASHEKAR, MB BS 1982 Karnatak  
Batool Salman HASSAN, MB ChB 1989 Glasgow  
Arvind KUMAR, MB BS 1979 Rajasthan  
Ming Yuen LAM, MB BS 1980 Hong Kong  
Ti Bian LIM, MB BS 1978 Mysore  
James Ka Kay LUK, MB BS 1989 Hong Kong  
Tushar Prabhakar MEDHEKAR, MD 1979 Bombay  
Abdelrahman Nurein Mohamed Osman NUREIN, MB BS 1974 Khartoum  
Mohamed Tahir Hassdan OBEID, MB BS 1971 Khartoum  
Alaeddin RAAFAT ESFAHANI, MB BS 1978 Karachi

Chi Chiu SHEK, MB BS 1988 Hong Kong  
Kam Leung YONG, MB BS 1977 Malaya

**22. Admissions in absentia**

**Fellowship qua Surgeon**

\*\*Vijay ARORA, MB BS 1969 Calcutta  
\*\*Devendra Kumar GUPTA, MB BS 1975 Rohtak  
\*\*Mohammad Younas KHAN, MB BS 1984 Khyber  
\*\*Faruque Daudbhai GHANCHI, MB BS 1986 Gujarat

\* In terms of Chapter II, Paragraph 8 of the Regulations  
\*\*In terms of Chapter II, Paragraph 5 of the Regulations

**Member qua Surgeon**

Mark Anthony Foster, MB ChB 2001, St Andrews

**Member qua Surgeon (Intercollegiate)**

Derek John Boyle, MB ChB 2002, Glasgow

**Intercollegiate Membership in Orthodontics**

Ashish Mukundbhai Patel, BDS 1998, Birmingham

**Collegiate Membership**

Ayman Elmenyar, MMB ChB 1989 Cairo, MRCP(UK) 2002  
Rajagopalan Sriraman, MBBS 1992 Madurai, MRCP(UK) 2002

**23. Forthcoming Events**

**Triennial Dinner**

The President outlined that the Triennial Dinner will be on 11<sup>th</sup> November and he encouraged all Council members to attend and to bring at least one pair of guests. The guests do not have to be medical. It should be noted that there is no December House Dinner.

The President also drew attention to the Annual Cathedral Service, which will be the Sunday after the AGM on 11<sup>th</sup> December. In keeping with last year, he and his wife would host a lunch in the College following the service

**24. Letters of Thanks**

- MDDUS Chief Executive
- President of FSSA

**25. Responses to Consultation Document**

Requesting Organisation	Name and Reference Number of Document	Nominees Suggested to	Reply sent to Organisation
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		Comment	
PMETB	Equality Scheme	-	13.07.05
MHRA	Request to reclassify A Product from POM To P	-	13.07.05
DVLA	Electronic Communication	-	22.07.05
MHRA	Licensing of homeopathics: Proposals for a new national rules scheme, for a review of product licences of right and to expand the remit of the advisory board on the registration of homeopathic products (ABRH).	-	24.08.05
PMETB	Standards for Entry into Specialist Medical Education	Mr J C Ferguson Dr D T Roberts	30.08.05
PMETB	Quality Assurance of Postgraduate Medical Education	Mr J C Ferguson Dr D T Roberts	30.08.05
BSAC	Guidelines for the Prevention of Endocarditis	-	06.09.05
SAMRC	Proposed Action Plan for Hepatitis C in Scotland	Dr J Morris	07.09.05