

Minutes for Committee Teleconference 8 April 2008 midday (EST)

1. **Attendance:** Marjan, Mark, Joachim, Jon, Joachim, Marie, Dimity, Graeme

2. **Apologies:** Lucio

3. **Minutes of last meeting:** Accepted

4. Business Arising

4.1 (5.3.2) Super Clinics – feedback from members (Mark)

Mark, Jon & Dimity attended. Group agreed S Clinics could be a great opportunity, put forward a wish list for resources/meeting room/ to be outlined in expression of interest. Jon stated the issue of undergrad needs weren't in the original document so good that now are included. Vertically intergrated model is now preferred. Most worrying education element is a spin off instead of core function. 2 people from dept indicated that education may still be a secondary role. Group gave minimum level of needs for education/training being a core element of SCs.

Mark – research was not mentioned. This is great opportunity to attract the best and brightest, argued strongly for hub & spoke not just bricks and mortar. We have good opportunity to influence as not properly thought through.

Jon – All agreed that SCs are one small part of meeting GP summit goals.

Deb A asked what is next step.

Mark, Jon & Dimity felt another formal meeting was not forthcoming.

4.2(5.6.2) Community Clinical Schools

4.2.1 Update on Uni Tas (Mark)

Mark has found out that DoHA is developing a super clinic so federal govt will take over

4.2.1 Infrastructure funding (Dimity)

Dimity has spoken to Deakin Uni who put in an application for a rural clinical school to have funds for extra rooms. If approved this could be a precedent.

4.3 The PHCRED contracts and funding novice researchers (Lucio)

No further update at this point.

4.4 HREC (Dimity)

Marie Pirotta is vice chair. Lyndal Trevena chair, Teng Liaw is GP rep. Gabrielle Douglas is leaving so advertising is underway for an administrative officer. Mark stated this is an important committee and is now solid due to its members. Marie commented it is important to find the right person to replace Gabrielle.

4.5 RACGP and QACPD fees and academic depts (Dimity)

Dimity reported on the outcome of here discussions with RACGP in an article to be

published in our Apr newsletter.

5. General Business

5.1 Membership

5.1.1 New members: Mieke Van Driel (HOD Bond), Jennifer Parsons (AFP) Lorna O'Doherty (Uni Melb). All accepted.

5.2 Finances

82 paid. 50 still to come. 2nd reminder has gone out. Marie reminded committee members to encourage membership and to pay up. Deb A did this but as yet no response. She also received Travelling Fellowship so promoted this as a benefit of being a member.

Action: Debbie to email members to be financial so they can attend the breakfast and/ or lunch during the GP & PHC conference.

5.3 Communications to President

Nothing to report.

5.4 Newsletter

Graeme stated contributions are good this time and gave overview. He asked Deb A about her article on GPs Workforce Issues. She will email this week.

Action: Deb to email Deb A to remind.

5.5 Website

All information about the GP & PHC Research conference has been uploaded and update.

5.6 Working groups

Nothing happening at this stage. Marie suggested there could be projects "waiting in the wings".

5.7 Continuation of PHCRED program

To be covered at HODs meeting.

5.8 GP & PHC Conference

5.8.1 Research session

5.8.1.1 Distinguished paper

Marie - all abstracts have been reviewed and none were inspiring. Mark has asked Ellen for all abstracts so they can go through them again. Mark stated there was a problem with online reviewing so this resulted in confusion with reviewing. Mark then received full list and did his own review. Deb recommended we have a better process for this next year eg application together with a more detailed abstract and to be nominated.

Action: Mark to send these now to Deb & Marie.

Action: Committee to provide feedback to PHCRIS about selection process.

5.8.2 Speaker

Tikki Tang has pulled out. A3GP decided to constitute a panel of expert GP researchers to have discussion around Distinguished papers.

5.8.3 HODs meeting

Action: Debbie to send out a reminder for attendance and agenda items.

5.8.4 Post doctorate breakfast

John Furler has organised a room for this meeting, to be badged as a AAAGP event. Melb & Ncle PHCRED will provide funding for breakfast. Invitations will be extended to early postdoctoral and post-Masters researchers. Jane Gunn will speak at the meeting on aspects of the forging of research collaborations.

5.8.5 Skills development lunch

Marie Pirotta has organised this lunch as a AAAGP members only event. Michael Kidd may not be able to attend. The Committee agreed Nick Glasgow will be excellent on his own.

Action: Marie to confirm details with PHCRIS and promote membership to AAAGP.

5.8.6 Awards

5.8.6.1 First Time Presenter award

5.8.6.2 Bridges-Webb medal

Action: Debbie to send out a reminder for nominations from financial members only (together with reminder to pay subs).

6. Other Business

6.1 Support for Journal of Systems and Complexity in Health Care

Third attempt to establish this journal. NAPGAG has worked on proposal with Joachim and they are now looking for support for application. The committee agreed.

Action: Mark agreed to write and support this application.

6.2 Relationship with SAPC (Society for Academic Primary Care)

This organisation is the UK equivalent to A3GP. Dimity is travelling to the UK and intends to develop collaborations which may be mutually beneficial.

6.3 Academic freedom vs commercial pressure at UQ

Action: Deb to circulate Andrew's email to committee and then send response to Mark before end of this week.

Action: Mark to write a letter to the university.

7. Next meeting 6 May 2008.

8. Meeting closed 1pm.