

Minutes of AAAPC Executive Committee Teleconference
Tuesday 13th December 2011

1. **Attendance:** Dimity Pond, Michelle Guppy, Kitty Novy
2. **Apologies:** Natasha Pavlin Jon Emery Tina Janamian Tania Winzenberg Marjan Kljakovic Liz Halcomb, Marie Pirota, Richard Reed, Danielle Mazza, Ellen McIntyre
3. **Minutes of last meeting** of the AAAPC held Monday 15th November 2011
4. **Business Arising**

4.1. **Ausdoc** - Kitty to update on the negotiations with Ausdoc regarding the AAAPC request that all AAAPC members be provided with free copies of the journal.

They have not replied to emails or returned phone calls (a letter was sent and its receipt was acknowledged) - Kitty has been speaking to Linda Calabrisie the Medical Editor who she said was going to sort it out.

ACTION – Kitty to again contact and seek an answer re free copies or access online to the entire journal if free copies are not available.

4.2. **Travelling Fellowships** – As she could not be present, Ellen has sent a letter suggested changes assessing the travelling fellowship applications in 2013. See 7.3 below.

4.3. **The draft job description with GPET** who would fund the office placement to be based in Newcastle Department of General Practice with Dimity
In negotiations with GPET re the job description and background statement
Dimity has identified Jane Harris in Newcastle (has done work for ITP and is working with the Uni at the moment)

ACTION – Discussions between Dimity and GPET are ongoing

4.4. **NSC-R and AAAPC initiatives re research, including PBRNs.** The meeting has not occurred yet – Early Feb would suite

PHCRIS to be involved in this meeting.

A number of other people are interested in National Coordination of PBRN

ACTION – Kitty to get them to organise the meeting in early February. Marie, Dimity and Danielle to be involved in the meeting

4.5. **HWA response.** There has been no response to the AAAPC letter as yet

ACTION - to remain on the agenda for the next meeting

4.6. **MJA prize.** Marie was not present to report

ACTION - to remain on the agenda for the next meeting

4.7. **Rural member/s for Executive**

Looking for a rural representative to go on the committee that is going to advise APHCRI about research

Kitty put together a list of rural members from membership database who are in rural areas

Jane Mills – Cairn

Jenny Mays – Tamworth

Fiona Millard – Mackay

Phillip Grey – Queanbeyan (indicated an interest in rural issues)

Stephen Barnett – Wollongong

Shardan Crepincastin – Tambourine

Kitty noted that she was not able to obtain information from the database re members who were rural.

Michelle Guppy to be the AAAPC rural representative.

*ACTION - Dimity to let Bob know and Kitty to send names of other interested people to Dimity.
- Michelle to promote rural members*

5. The Newsletter

Kitty has Dimity's report

Item from Sarah – Dimity has read and Kitty to send to Michelle

Michelle to forward editorial and to review other items, including item from Jackie that may be the main article

Michelle on leave soon, so Dimity will assist in getting the Newsletter out before the end of December

*ACTION – Michelle to review articles and Michelle and Kitty to review where articles are to go
- Dimity and Kitty to tidy up any loose ends once Michelle is on leave.*

6. General Business

6.1 Membership

6.1.1 New members: Susie Radford Bond Lisa Crossland, UnQ, Lawrence Tan, UWS

6.1.2 Finances: \$11,640.06

- Caroline Lawrence (Travelling Fellowship winner to send receipts – approx. \$3000.00 next week)
- Marie is back on board next week and we will need a discussion around finances

6.2 Communications to President

- Nil

7. Other Business

7.1 PHCRIS conference – Ellen to lead discussion on any updates

- Who is going to be the keynote speaker - options
- Emeritus Professor John Campbell-Murdoch
- Peter Hodson
- Committee voted for Campbell-Murdoch

ACTION – Kitty to email Ellen and let her know that Campbell-Murdoch is the one

7.2 Update to Fellowships

- Concern about the Career Development Fellowships for 2012 – some were co-funded and they have not been announced yet
- John has written a letter (on behalf of four institutions) seeking clarification re the delay
- Asking AAAPC to write a similar letter, and if AAAPC is co-funding the Fellowship

ACTION – Dimity to draft a letter

7.3 Travelling Fellowship Changes

- Ellen emailed a paper to Exec
- Organisation is AAAPC – the Fellowships were in the past were very General Practice orientated – concern that at present the organisation is General Practice with the Primary Care people working in departments of General Practice. Whilst that makes the Organisation small and focused – what would the issues be if we get into nursing and allied health in Primary Care – will we miss the boat if they are not included?
- Wording changes have been made to include 'Primary Care' and around costs – it has been extended to include people who are not necessarily employed in a Department of General Practice
- Decisions need to be made re the Organisation
- There is need for more members – greater funding if we have more members, and without more members will the Organisation become irrelevant?
- With more members we will have more issues and we would need to deal with that
- There needs to be a voice for Academic Nursing and Allied Health – AAAPC could be their voice
- Need to embrace nurse practitioners

- Allied health people who run their own businesses and have some academic interest
- Need to determine if there is any interest. Particularly if AAAPC has no funds

Next meeting

Tuesday 21 Feb 2012

All meetings are on 3rd Tuesday of the Month

ACTION – Kitty to email suggested dates for 2012 meetings