

Minutes of AAAPC Committee Teleconference Tuesday 18 September 2012

1. Attendance

- Dimity Pond, Christina Hagger, Jon Emery, Liz Halcomb, Nic Zwar, Kitty Novy

2. Apologies

- Danielle Mazza, Marie Pirotta, Tina Janamian, Ellen McIntyre

Additional Agenda Items

- Dimity - Putting Surveys on AAAPC Web List (Registrar Survey)
- Dimity - Report on a discussion with National GP Supervisors Association

3. Minutes of last meeting of the AAAPC held Tuesday 21 August 2012

- Passed

4. Business Arising

4.1. Dimity to report back

- Dimity has not spoken to HWA but has noted that they are doing a series of consultations around a Clinical Supervision Framework (Sydney, Canberra, Adelaide, ...) They have had some conversations with Universities about placing Nursing students
- HWA is developing a Framework about all Health Professionals – it is possible to put in feedback (deadline mid-November) – Dimity to submit a brief note that Primary care is different and standards that apply in Hospital may be different in Primary Care and that AAAPC would like further discussions with HWA
- HWA Local Networking meeting and member list and contact had with HWA

AMC Accreditation

- Demonstrating adequate supervision and governance of our Clinical teachers
- Is the Committee aware of the changes to do with Clinical Supervision in the AMC Accreditation? Includes standardised training of all Supervisors in a Medical School / potentially a huge issue with GP's who are acting as preceptors / potential funding issues for Universities / been put into the new requirements for Accreditation of Medical Schools / The number of weeks of GP training (six) may be reduced could be related / possibly the same issue with Nurses in Primary Training / Could be difficult to demonstrate
- Concern that supervision will need to be the same as RTP's without the funding
- Push Medical Schools to reduce Primary Care component in the Curriculum

ACTION

- *Jon to seek more information and report back to the Committee*
- *Dimity to write to HWA re the competencies / standards in Primary care may need to be different / measured differently and AAAPC would like to discuss this with them*

4.2. Update on APHCRI

- ACPHRI
 - Invitations (via Kitty) to AAAPC list for people to attend a seminar run by Chris Van Weel
 - Caroline sent out an invitation for a seminar Chris was running in Melbourne
 - An invitation was sent to local Universities in NSW re a workshop on PBRN's and a meeting with Larry Green at the GPET conference on 5-09-12 in which he gave an inspiring presentation on Primary Care Group of 8 met with him on PBRN's – he commented that PBRN's are not a problem but are a solution (in terms of knowledge transferring

and engagement of Primary Care practitioners) Need to keep them going (with whatever funding possible / factoring them into submissions, project grant funding) with the aim of getting them funded properly

- There has been nothing from ACHPRI

4.3. PHC RIS Conference.2012 and the 2013 in Sydney.

- Christina to update
 - Received positive evaluations
 - Very grateful to all the AAAPC reviewers
 - All presentations of the Concurrence or Plenaries (where approval given) are online on PHC RIS website
 - The Concurrence are synchronised with the Slides
 - One Vision has made a 6 minute film of the Conference (available on the PHC RIS website) and a 40 minute presentation that concentrates largely on the 2020 Vision closing Plenary
 - 2013 – The Department has approved the list of potential committee members – invitations will be sent out soon / confirming contract to hold at Sydney Hilton / resigning contract with Conlog
 - Dates of 1213 Conference 10-12 July Sydney

- ACTION**
- Nic to ensure that Dimity gets an invitation to the PBRN workshop (via Teng)
 - Dimity to write to Ellen (ACHPRI Board) and ask who should AAAPC talk to re gaining a response on PBRN funding

5. The Newsletter

- 5.1. Next publication date – December 2012

6. General Business

- 6.1. Members – No new members
- 6.2. Finances – there is \$26,000.00 in the bank
- Yet to be billed for last 6 months of Kitty's salary
 - Applications for the Travelling Scholarship
 - There have been 2 received at this stage
 - Some yet to be received
 - Close at the end of September
 - Dimity not available to be part of the judging
 - Re the judging, there needs to be 2 or 3 people to judge all of the applications

7. Other Business

- 7.1. Tribute to Marjan Kljakovic
- Nic Glasgow talked to the family about having a AAAPC Prize in his memory – family quite interested in the idea -
 - Marie suggested the Prize might be for the Best Research to come out of the PBRN – there would need to be some clarification around what was meant by “Best Research to come out of the PBRN”
 - Ideas
 - Part of the Criteria of the nomination is that you have to demonstrate how the PBRN has actually contributed to the Project beyond mere participation
 - Published or not
 - What impact has there been beyond publication?
 - How has it increased capacity / skills within the PBRN membership?
 - What has been the influence of this piece of research / why it was worth doing / what a difference it has made – that would give a really good pragmatic underpinning
 - This was not decided at the last meeting

- The Prize would be open to all

ACTION - *Seek input from Marie*

- 7.2. National Clinicians Network Discussion paper (National GP Supervisors Association)
- Does AAAPC need to have an input?
 - Talking about guidelines

ACTION - *Keep a watching brief*

- 7.3. Lobbying for more PHC funding
- No updates

- 7.4. AAAPC Membership Paper – How to broaden membership
- Draft was updated and forwarded to Marie and Jon
 - Need to get together with APNA initially - National GP Supervisors Association is another Organisation
 - Working out collaborations with other Organisations
 - Gaining more members by taking membership material and taking it to other Departments within our Universities
 - Recruitment type email to other Departments
 - Had been discussion (Tina) about updating the Membership form
 - Updating the material and setting out what the benefits are for people who were not GPs

ACTION

- *Kitty to access the Recruitment email that was used previously, attach the current membership form and any other material, send it to the Committee and it will be a discussion point at the next meeting*
- *If there are no comments at the next meeting, a number of people will be 'lassoed' into a working group*

- 7.5. Academic Registrars Clinical Placement – crisis in people applying for academic posts
- Dimity Pond to discuss concerns from Marie
 - More applicants than placements / heard that they expecting more applicants than they will have positions to fund
 - Email from Marie – “There is an issue with potential Academic Registrars – a tsunami of Registrars – and it is impossible to get Clinical Placement – half-time placements are even harder to get – this is likely to have a huge impact on people applying for academic posts”
 - Maybe a bigger problem if there are more Applicants than GPET is willing to fund as not wanting to be turning people away
 - Academic Registrar Salaries
 - Note - GPET has set an upper limit on the salary scale Universities are allowed to put them on – must be on a Level A salary (historically on a Level B)
 - Research Project Funding is no longer being given to Universities but is being given to the Registrar direct

ACTION

- *Dimity to contact Parker on issues with Academic Registrars*
- *Nic to contact Louise Stone for more details re salary – Jon to email Nic a copy of a contract*

8. Additional Agenda Items

- 8.1. Putting Surveys on AAAPC Web List (Registrar Survey)
- Not appropriate for Web List for Surveys was agreed by the meeting

- 8.2. National General Practice Supervisors Association Meeting (GPET)

- Dimity Pond
 - Discussed common issues that Association has with AAAPC, mainly around remuneration for Supervisors who have medical students, as well as Registrars, as well as PGBBB's
 - Might be worth doing some joint lobbying, particularly around the PIP – AMA also come out in favour of an increase in the PIP – looking at a either a joint visit or a joint letter re the PIP being inadequate (AMA suggesting a doubling)
 - Association is keen that Government is aware of all the associated costs
 - Nurses in training in General Practices – should AAAPC be asking for PIP's
 - (Liz) At the Practice Nurses Conference there was mention that there should be a payment, but as each university has its own model of how they run nurses in General Practice it is an issue that needs more work
 - AAAPC should mention that training any other professional in the Practice (particularly nurses) has costs
 - It is problematic as there is a differential between training the GPs and training the Nurses

ACTION

- *Dimity to lobby with the Association re the PIP*
- *Dimity to have a meeting with Trish*

Next Meeting

- 20th November 2012