

# AAAPC Committee teleconference

## Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013

1. **Attendance** Dimity Pond , Faline Howes , Danielle Mazza , Liz, Halcomb Nic Zwar Kitty Novy Marie Pirotta
2. **Apologies** Jon Emery Natasha Pavlin Christina Hagger Ellen McIntyre Tina Janamian Michelle Guppy
3. Minutes of the Last Meeting - approved
4. Business Arising
  - 4.1. HWA - Dimity to report on HWA
    - Still no response from HWA re accreditation for Supervisors – concern has been translated by the AMC to new items on the Draft Accreditation Guidelines
    - Accreditation Guidelines – any concerns
    - At Newcastle – support was offered by the Pro Vice Chancellor but there was no funding attached

*ACTION Remove the HWA item from the Agenda*

- 4.2. APHCRI – Dimity, Jon or Ellen to update the Committee
  - Meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - APHCRI Research Advisory Committee will revisit the issue of AAAPC offering support to Practice Based Research Networks as per last year's application
- 4.3. PHC Research Conference – Christina to update
  - Committee hasn't met since the last AAAPC meeting
- 4.4. Responses to letter to H. Bagnolo (Human Capital Alliance)
  - No response
- 4.5. Letter tabled from Tanya Plibersek (included in the meeting package) – AAAPC was lobbying for support for PBRNs
  - Minister's response
    - o APCHRI is going to support and the Centre's for Research Excellence (CRE) will be providing support at a local level (if there is a local CRE but this would be very different to the support that AAAPC was offering
    - o APCHRI was to fund the Secretariat position

*ACTION Dimity to send letter to John Marley seeking an answer (Minister saying APCHRI will fund the Secretariat position) before APCHRI meets*

5. Newsletter
  - Next issue in April – request for articles
  - IF AAAPC gets funding, an article on PBRN's
  - Louise Stone to join a teleconference (issues around academic registrars)
    - o Paid at a Level A
    - o Issues around parity with lecturers / PHD / number of positions = number of applicants? / research project conceived prior to coming on board in the Dept / focus is on research and there is lack of recognition of the teaching component

- Issue of Academic registrars – an extra teleconference as it is mainly a GP issue – Dimity, Danielle, Nic, Louise, Jon Emery – other AAAPC Committee most welcome to join

*ACTION Kitty to email Louise with Danielle's points  
Kitty to organise a teleconference before the next AAAPC Committee teleconference to deal with the concerns around Academic Registrars*

## 6. General Business

### 6.1. Membership

#### 6.1.1. New members

- Jane Gunn signed up 2 new members (Sandra Davidson and Constantia)
- Ellen signed up 3 new members

#### 6.1.2. Finances

- Nothing to report

### 6.2. Communications to President

- No communications

## 7. Other Business

### 7.1. Tribute to Marjan Kijakovic – AAAPC Prize, Nic Zwar on establishment of a Committee

- Marie happy to be on the Committee with Nic
- Dimity to Chair the committee? Dimity happy not to be on this Committee
- Nic Zwar to communicate with others on the Committee and then contact Nic Glasgow
- PBRN prize would be appropriate

*ACTION Kitty to get Marie to email Nic*

### 7.2. PHC funding

#### 7.2.1. AAAPC prize winner to attend SAPC (Society of Academic Primary Care in the UK) to present a paper

- SAPC want to facilitate a workshop at PCRIS and some European conferences
- SAPC want to formulate an International perspective
- Ellen noted that there would an online Survey that she and Chris would like to send out to members to collect information
  - o Committee happy with this
- Can AAAPC afford to subsidise someone to present a paper
  - o Need to agree with the concept
  - o Talk with SAPC to determine if the AAAPC winner would be able to present the paper
  - o Always held in the UK

*ACTION Dimity to report in July (after SAPC Conference)*

### 7.3. AAAPC Membership Flyer

- Flyer is full of the words 'General Practice' and 'Academic Primary Care' and is unsuitable
- Leave out the words 'General Practice' - replace with 'Academic Primary Care' as it will assist in recruiting non-GP members

- If there is anyone who objects, Dimity is happy to receive an email
- This change is only for the Flyer

PROPOSAL      The words 'General Practice' be replaced by 'Academic Primary Care'

Agreed

*ACTION      Kitty to replace the words, send it to Danielle Mazza and the Committee will revisit the Flyer at the next meeting*

7.3.1. Website

- Also has the words 'General Practice'

7.3.2. Constitution

- The rewriting has already begun. Once it has been rewritten it will be sent to Dimity

7.4. Academic Registrars Clinical Placement

- Discussed earlier

7.5. GPET

- Dimity attached notes from a meeting with Susan Wearne in the meeting package
- Had discussions around the lack of recognition of the workload of supervising students and registrars –Susan noted that most of the Practices around Alice Springs won't take students or Registrars due to the workload /time
- Discussed a joint AAAPC workshop at the GPET Conference on the issues around supervising learners in General Practice. Issues include
  - o Cost
  - o Patient safety issues
  - o Accrediting supervisors
  - o Space in a Practice
- Possibly lead to an Article outlining the complexity of these issues
- Dimity agreed to bring to this meeting and put in an Abstract for a workshop on the issue (AAAPC and GP Supervisors Association, which is independent of GPET)
  - o Should it be expanded to include the Clinical Supervision that Practice nurses provide and what is provided to other learners in General Practice?
  - o Faline Howes (36.37 mins into the recording) offered to send Dimity copies of published papers on Undergraduate student placements
  - o Faline Howes agreed to be co-author on the workshop

*ACTION      Faline Howes to send papers to Dimity*

7.6. Travelling Fellowships Guidelines

- There two groups of applicants
  - o Very experienced and new applicants
  - o Difficult to compare

- Could not afford to have two fellowships
- Does AAAPC fund the up and coming applicants?
  - If so, this needs to be explicit in the guidelines
  - In some years there have been few applicants, and last year there were 11 applicants
- Rewrite the Guidelines that gives preference to the up and coming but not exclude the more experienced

*ACTION Liz to reword the Guidelines so they indicate a preference to the up and coming applicants without deterring the more experienced*

*Tina and Natasha to assist Liz*

- 7.7. Teleconference about Primary Health Care and the NHMRC this afternoon
- This can be reported back at the next AAAPC meeting
  - How can AAAPC work with NHMRC and encourage Primary Health care researchers
  - Lobby for a Grant Review Panel that looks at PhD and related disciplines
  - May be able to lobby through NHMRC

8. Next Meeting Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 12.00pm EST