

## MINUTES AAAPC Executive Committee meeting Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March

**Attendees:** Grant Russell, Dimity Pond, Kirsty Douglas, Ellen McIntyre, Christina Hagger, Phyllis Lau, Danielle Mazza, Nick Zwar, Jennifer Walker, Sarah Larkin, Kitty Novy

**Apologies:** Alistair Vickery, Jodie Oliver Baxter, Phyllis Lau, Danielle Mazza, Nick Zwar, Michelle Guppy, Ngaire Kerse, Jan Radford, Liz Halcomb, Louise Stone, Suzanne McKenzie

### ACTION LIST

Assigned To	Actions/Decision from meeting on March 17 <sup>th</sup>
PL	ACTION: PL to resend updated AAAPC submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Chronic Disease Management to members of subgroup for final comments and Grant to submit
PL	ACTION: PL to draft email to members re primary care representation on the NHMRC structural review advisory group. KN to collate and send to GR/Executive for review
GR/KN	ACTION: GR to inform winner of the Distinguished Paper John Furler and confirm his acceptance. KN to inform Conference organisers
KN	ACTION: KN to contact Dr Paresh Dawda re writing main article for the newsletter
KN	ACTION: KN to contact Dr Lachlan McIver of ACRRM and Bianca Brijnath of RACGP and invite them to join the monthly meetings
KN	ACTION: KN to F/U on the current regulations in the constitution, to ascertain whether New Zealand representation on the Committee is currently permissible
GR	ACTION: GR to contact Lucie Walters after Easter to discuss GP registrar support
CH	ACTION: CH to contact Dimity Pond and Danielle Mazza re traditional and non traditional funding resources for research
KD	ACTION: KD to contact ACT Labour Senator Katy Gallagher and invite her to address members at Conference Dinner
DP	ACTION: DP to request agenda items from HODS

Issues	Items	Action	Responsible
1. Approval of the Agenda	Chair Grant Russell (GR)		
2. Past Minutes	Accepted		
3. Correspondence			
4. New Zealand Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sue Pollen unable to connect to GOTO so New Zealand matters not discussed</li> </ul>		
5. For Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GR updated the committee items from previous meeting and the responses</li> <li>• GR noted that College still keen to engage and wanting to collaborate on Academic</li> </ul>		GR

	<p>Registrar Posts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACRRM still keen to collaborate and they are presently in discussion with the Government, to update next meeting</li> <li>• The idea of having a Primary Care representative on the NHMRC structural review advisory group was discussed. The committee decided to seek input from members to put more weight into the argument. KN to request PL to email members, and then draft a letter once feedback was collated for the Executive to review before sending out.</li> <li>• GR noted that the nominated members from RACGP and ACRRM are expected to join the executive meetings as of April 2016. Dr Lachlan McIver to represent the views of ACRRM and Bianca Brijnath to represent the views of RACGP.</li> </ul>	
6. Reports for noting	<p><b>APCRen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Updates on the responses of the future of APCReN - standing item – nothing to report this month.</li> </ul>	GR
7. Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Newsletter:</b> requests for articles for the March-April newsletter have gone out. Dimity Pond has contacted Dr Paresh Dawda and he has agreed to write the main article on block funding. Kitty to F/U.</li> <li>• <b>Social Media Update:</b> members continuing to tweet.</li> </ul>	JW/KN
8. PHC Conference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CH updated executive on Conference details. The theme this year will be <i>Reform and Innovation in PHC policy and practice</i>.</li> <li>• Notification of acceptance of abstracts to be sent out 1st April.</li> <li>• Registrations open - Early bird registration closes May 4th.</li> <li>• A broad discussion on the conference - CH has had extensive conversations with GR on the AAAPC session. The theme for the AAAPC Plenary will be focused on stimulating PhD research and practice. Both felt a dynamic research focus session was needed, hence decided that the opening speaker will be Ms Cassandra Goldie, CEO of the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS). GR felt that due to the changing time in primary care research we need to be thinking laterally hence the inclusion of Cassandra Goldie with her extensive public policy expertise in economic and social issues, civil society, social justice and human rights</li> <li>• CH to invite Prof Claire Jackson to talk on industry engagement in research. The decision to invite her was made because organisers were looking for someone with strong current research patterns working outside academic circles, but still engaging in industry.</li> <li>• Distinguished Paper presentation will be the third part of Plenary. This will only be 20 minutes this year. This years winner is A/Prof John Furler, University of Melbourne, for his abstract; <i>“Overcoming clinical inertia in primary care based transition to insulin to improve outcomes in type 2 diabetes: Results of the Stepping Up cluster randomised controlled trial”</i>.</li> <li>• CH noted that the invited sessions are still being formulated. There will be 3 on PHN's and is currently working closely with PHNs to design, and one on Allied Health, with invited panellist Deputy Secretary Mark Cormack from the Department of Health. The</li> </ul>	ALL

third looking at traditional and non traditional funding resources for research is still in planning, and CH will be in contact with DP and DM on this for further input

- Possible candidates for After Dinner speaker was discussed. GR asked for suggestions and Kirsty Douglas (KD) felt that ACT Labour Senator Katy Gallagher who spent 10 years as the ACT Health Minister might be a good option. KD will contact her and get back to GR if the invitation is accepted.
- KN has sent out an EOI for nominations for the Bridges-Webb Award.
- The AGM will be held on 9th June from 7.30-8.45am and agenda items have been put forward. There was a discussion on the number of New Zealand members on the committee at the previous AGM (2015), currently there are 2, and it was suggested that this might be increased but we would need to look at the constitution and forward any recommendations to the AGM six weeks prior to the meeting. KN to check the constitution and email GR on the suggested changes.
- A discussion on the ability of current Executive members to stay on. KN has sent out an email and will collate responses and send to GR in the next few weeks.
- GR asked if it was possible to set up a doodle poll to determine if we need to change the Executive meeting times as many of the committee seem to be unable to attend and does not want to disenfranchise people. SL felt that we might be able to have rotating days but the same time each month, this way it might not be systematically disadvantaging people.
- The HODS Meeting will be held on the 8th June from 7.30-8.30am. Discussion was led by GR on the HODS meeting and the support we can give. KD felt that with the broadening of the AAAPC, we need to define the difference between the HODS and the AAAPC. DP noted that many of the HODS issues overlap with the AAAPC. She felt that AAAPC would possibly be interested in the HODS discussion as they include NHMRC, PIP payments, research funding and placements.
- GR noted that we need clarity on the 2 groups and we cannot treat the HODS preferentially. We can help organise the HODS meeting in 2016, but not fund it this year, and any future involvement with the group needs to be clarified. This will be added to the AGM agenda for discussion. DP offered to help organise an agenda as a HOD and gauge whether the members of HODS would be happy to contribute to a breakfast. DP agreed to circulate a request for agenda items and Chair the HODS meeting on their agreement. GR felt that we need to make it clear where the responsibilities of the AAAPC start and stop.

<b>9. Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$15,417.31</li> </ul>	SM/KN
<b>10. New members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	KN
<b>11. Other Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HODS Meeting :CH noted that the Conference Organisers would be happy to help with coffee.</li> </ul>	
<b>12. Next meeting</b>	<b>April 18<sup>th</sup> 2016, 1.30-2.30pm EST</b>	