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AGM

11.00am Thursday 18 April 2013

Midland Hotel, BRADFORD

Chairperson UKCS 2013:	Carmel Ramage
Apologies:	Ralph Webb
Minutes of last meeting:	Accepted as a true record

Treasurer's report:

PTH reported the account balance currently stands at £51,172.90

The account report was accepted as accurate.

Membership fees accounted for £1715 income.

PTH asked if the membership would be happy to send Elaine (PTH secretary who works very hard for UKCS) flowers and wish her a speedy recovery, as she has been off sick. Membership agreed and PTH will arrange to send Elaine some flowers.

Secretary's report:

SK encouraged members to visit the website and thanked Doug Small for updating the website. There is a blog on the website which members are encouraged to feed into.

Committee reports:

Constitution (CMR)

Volunteers were requested to help the UKCS committee work on wording the constitution.

Volunteers as below:

John Bolton, Consultant Urologist, Bradford

Roland Morley, Consultant Urologist, Kingston

Karen Ward, Consultant Gynaecologist, Manchester

Kate Anders, Urogynaecology Nurse Specialist, Guildford

Stephanie Knight, Physiotherapist, Airedale

Liz Bonner, Lead Continence Nurse, Whittington Hospital

Liz Bonner informed us that if we have a constitution the UKCS can apply for charity status

Minimum standards in continence care (PTH)

There was a mandate following UKCS 2012 in Liverpool: To set out standards for continence care and recommend training. This would act as an update on the 200 document “Good Practice in Continence Services.”

An initiative has been set up by Paul Abrams and the UKCS were represented at a meeting at the Department of Health. It was agreed by the membership that we should support this initiative rather than setting up a further group with the same aims.

NICE are planning to develop new quality standards (QS) designed to drive and measure quality improvements in a particular area. Promoting Continence is one of the questions.

Phil encouraged members to complete the online survey which includes a question on promoting continence, and to encourage all their colleagues to do so.

The survey closes on April 26th, click on the following link:

<http://consultations.dh.gov.uk>

Proposal 1

PTH put forward a proposal to standardise the membership fee payment to October 1st, this was accepted.

Proposal 2

UKCS to support Paul Abrams initiative to create a reference document to lobby NICE/DH.

? Can you send me some of your slides Phil so I can explain this better.

Proposal 3

To develop a training standard document to support NICE quality standards initiative

To support continuation of excellence in continence services.

UKCS to sponsor costs for a working party to meet for 2 days to discuss what should be involved in a training programme for quality continence care.

Comments from members:

Mandy Fader suggested involving other organisations and representatives from nursing organisations such as ACA.

Proposal 3 was accepted by the membership.

Certification (CMR)

Certification commenced in January 2011 and to December 2012 138 applications have been approved. Re-accreditation starts next year and the governance committee need to discuss the process for re-accreditation.

Possible criteria could include attending UKCS conference, number of urodynamic investigations performed annually.

Education (RM)

Ideas to provide links via UKCS website for e-learning opportunities at other institutions.

Meetings report (PTH / CMR)

Last years conference in Liverpool attracted 210 delegates and 125 abstracts.

Final profit £10,200.

Support from industry is getting more difficult.

Bradford 2013 attracted 224 paying delegates with 118 abstracts submitted and only 2 turned down, with a good mix of oral and poster presentations.

UKCS 2014 Presentation

Dudley Robinson and Roland Morley gave a presentation on the 2014 meeting to be held in London. The theme for this meeting is “Coming of Age”

The scientific programme will include live surgery, surgical videos and other short courses.

Speakers will be both national and international and there will be education updates for trainees.

There will also be political debates and a “stump the professor” session of clinical cases.

The dates are 27th – 28th March, with pre-conference workshops on 27th

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Future meetings are:

2014 London

2015 Aberdeen

2016 Belfast