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AGM
8.30am Thursday 26th March 2015
Aberdeen Exhibition and Conference Centre

Honorary Chair UKCS: Carmel Ramage (CR)
Honorary Treasurer: Dudley Robinson (DR)
Honorary Secretary: Stephanie Knight (SK)

Chairs UKCS conference 2014:

Charis Glazener: Meeting co-chair, Scientific Committee co-chair
James N'Dow: Meeting co-chair
Voula Granitsiotis: Scientific Committee co-chair

Apologies: Tim Hillard
Roland Morley

Minutes of last meeting: Accepted as a true record

Welcome from Carmel Ramage Honorary Chair of UKCS Secretary's report (SK)

UKCS/ICS

UKCS have been approached by ICS to become an affiliate society of ICS. This would involve UKCS members paying an annual membership fee of £50 for membership of both societies. This is less expensive than ICS membership, but considerably more than the current UKCS membership fee.

Members attending the AGM voted overwhelmingly NO to this proposal

Minimum Standards in Continence Care:

This document has been produced by a working party of members of UKCS. The document is available at this meeting. It aims to provide a framework for training.

Level 1 is aimed at any health care provider who comes into contact with patients presenting with incontinence, who should be able to provide a basic level of care and advice.

Level 2 is aimed at a more advanced level for those providing specialist continence care

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Angie Rantell led on producing this document and is hoping that it may be rolled out by NHS England.

There is a lack of suitable training courses. The members present at the AGM discussed various ways of improving training including development of web-based training courses which may be supported by some universities.

The minimum standards group and UKCS members could be a suitable forum for developing education.

The document was available as a hard copy at this meeting and will also be available on the UKCS website.

Accreditation and re-accreditation for urodynamics

The details for accreditation are on UKCS website but need updating.

There were 3 courses held in 2014 to qualify for re-accreditation. These were held in Basingstoke, Glasgow and Birmingham.

Further courses are planned for 2015, possibly in London and Yorkshire.

There will be a new committee member to oversee accreditation and re-accreditation.

Chairmans Report (CR)

CR thanked Phil Tooze-Hobson for all his work for UKCS. Phil is stepping down as treasurer and committee member due to other commitments. His work for the society has been invaluable in getting the society to where it is today.

There have been nominations for new committee members to include nursing and medical representation. These people have been nominated and seconded:

Angie Rantell

Karen Guerrero

Liz Dixon

Roland Morley

Members at the AGM were unanimous in welcoming these new committee members

Treasurer's report (DR)

DR reported the account balance at April 2104 was £50,150.73

March 2015 the balance currently stands at £55,853.56

Outgoings:

UKCS grants awarded were £200

Urodynamics accreditation courses £2500

Secretariat £500

Website £50

The accounts were presented and accepted as a true record.

Membership: There are currently 374 member of UKCS. 224 have paid, 150 still to pay.

Meetings report: (DR)

Last year's conference in London attracted 272 paying delegates and 86 abstracts.

There were 7 state of the art lectures 24 oral presentations and 40 discussed posters.

There was a well-attended urodynamics workshop and a live surgery workshop.

The welcome reception was in the Houses of Parliament and the annual dinner in Drapers Hall.

There was also a 21st anniversary dinner for all past meeting chairs.

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2015 meeting

Charis Glazener gave a report of 2015 meeting:

Charis thanked all the people involved in organising the meeting. She paid tribute to Mohammed Abdel-Fattah who initially planned the meeting and organised sponsors. Professor James N'Dow and Charis Glazener took over as co-chairs of the meeting when Dr Abdel-Fattah had to step down due to other commitments.

Thanks were given to the main sponsors of the meeting: Allergan, Ethicon and Astellas.

282 delegates were registered for the 2015 meeting. 105 abstracts were submitted and all were accepted. There was a mix of oral and poster presentations, 4 keynote speakers, 2 industry symposia and Meet the Experts luncheons.

There were 2 workshops:

Bulking agents and How to conduct a Cochrane review.

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Doug Tincello asked if UKCS could consider sponsorship for other smaller groups such as the Pelvic Floor Society.

Charis suggested links on the UKCS website to meetings and courses available, endorsed by UKCS.

Phil Toozs-Hobson said UKCS could explore links to other societies such as the Pelvic Floor Society. This was accepted by members present at the AGM. Linking of future meetings could be explored but would need careful planning.

UKCS 2016 Presentation

Lucia Dolan gave a short presentation to promote UKCS 2016 to be held at the Titanic Centre in Belfast

Future meetings are:

2016 Belfast April 13-15th

2017 Newcastle

2018 Birmingham

Expressions of interest to host future meetings would be welcomed.

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