

Summary

Minutes WFPICCS Board Meeting

Tokyo, Japan

22-24 November, 2006



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Europe:

Edwin van der Voort, The Netherlands

Denis Devictor, France

North America:

Niranjan Kissoon, Canada

Vinay Nadkarni, USA

Latin America:

Jefferson Piva, Brazil (not present on 22nd November)

Asia:

Hirokazu Sakai, * Japan

Bo Sun, P.R. China

Irene Chan, Singapore

Sunit Singh, * India

Oceania:

Jonathan Gillis, Australia

Africa & Middle East:

Andrew Argent, South Africa

Nursing:

Jos Latour, The Netherlands

Maureen Madden, USA

Bev Copnell, Australia

Apologies: Robert Tasker, UK; Peter Rimensberger, Switzerland; Eduardo Schnitzler, Argentina; Santiago Campos, Ecuador; Jesus Pulido, Mexico; Avedis Kalloghlian, Saudi Arabia

1. Opening

Edwin van der Voort welcomed all members and extended thanks to Hiro Sakai for organizing the meeting. Hiro welcomed the board members to Japan.

2. Minutes of WFPICCS Board Meeting Buenos Aires 2005

Were reviewed and approved.

3. Minutes of WFPICCS Executive Board Meeting Rotterdam 2005

Were reviewed and approved.

4. WFPICCS treasurer's report

The current WFPICCS budget plan 2005-2007 and the balance of 2006 was presented by Jos Latour. The Board approved the current financial balance of 2006.

A formal financial audit will be organized and presented at the General Assembly, Geneva 2007.

5. Bidding procedure for World Congress 2011

Voting for the bid for 2011 will only be done by full board members excluding attending ex officio board members and board members involved in the bidding process.

The first vote will exclude the 3rd city. The second round of voting will decide the winning city.

6. PCCM

Very broad representation of the world community on the Editorial Board. Editorial board is playing a very active role in reviewing of articles. Increasing number of submitted articles and at the same time the acceptance rate is down to about 40%. Proposals are discussed for special deals at the 5th World Congress Geneva to increase the number of subscriptions. There will be PCCM awards at the 5th World Congress Pediatric Critical Care, Geneva, 2007.

7. Regional Reports

Latin America

SLACIP moved the Latin America congress from 2007 to 2008 in Viña del Mar, Chile to avoid clashes with the 5th World Congress. They had approximately 1000 people attending the meeting. Good response particularly from Central America.

Europe

ESPNIC Nursing and medical consists of 175 nurses and 575 physicians. The new administrative secretariat of ESPNIC is KENES. The scientific committee (SC) was renewed during the latest General Assembly and Robert Tasker is the new SC president. The 18th ESPNIC medical and nursing annual congress was held in Barcelona 2006; a joint meeting with the ESPR (European Society of Pediatric Research) under the cap of the European Academy of Pediatrics. The congress had more than 2000 attendees, and over 1000 abstracts.

North-America

SCCM major congress is in Orlando next year; February 17-22, 2007

Oceania

ANZICS has developed a pediatric clinical trials group that has now obtained funding for a study looking at hypothermia following head injury in children.

Asia

In China there are now 500 members of the pediatric intensive care society. Every 2 years there are national conferences of 300-400 delegates for pediatric critical care. There is a need for international collaboration and scientific input. Some collaborative programs between China, Canada and Sweden exist. In India are approximately 400 pediatric intensivists at present. A 3 year training program will start in January 2007 as part of the official recognized government training program. A new pediatric critical care society has been started in Sri Lanka after help from the Indian group. There are a few pediatric intensivists in Nepal, some of them may also go to India for further training.

Africa

There are ongoing congresses and refresher courses run by the Critical Care Society of Southern Africa. We have gradually made some tentative contacts with pediatricians with an interest in critical care in Kenya. A clinical trials group is being established to facilitate critical care research and pediatrics will participate in this process.

WFPICCS Nursing

Nursing have developed a regional representation with about 12 nurses from across the world. Most acted as convenors for the Geneva conference. In Geneva there will be 4 pre-congress courses. Mavilda Pedreira has established a wide network in the regions Latin America, Spain and Portugal. Increasing representation from the Asian countries as well. The challenge is to identify nurses from regions who are able to communicate in English and represent that region.

8. Collaborations

4th Edition of Rogers Textbook; WFPICCS is involved in this process. It appears that the textbook will not be ready for publishing in Geneva, some chapters are not finished yet.

IPA: It has previously been decided that WFPICCS will not become a member of IPA, but will co-operate. The issue of interaction with the Athens program was again revisited, and decided that the WFPICCS President will contact the Athens convenors and offer to produce a WFPICCS coordinated section in the program.

Emergency Medicine: From discussions it is clear that WFPICCS should be expanding the collaboration with the Emergency Medicine group. Suggested that WFPICCS should be participating in the Emergency Medicine congresses. In areas such as China and India there is close co-operation between the pediatric critical care and emergency medicine groupings.

9. Congress Bid and Review Committee

The Bid process 2015 will now have to start, it is important to convene the new committee. It is not possible to constitute this committee until the new board has been elected in Geneva.

10. WFPICCS promotions

Promotional banners have been produced as advertising material. WFPICCS will have an exhibition booth at the SCCM congress in 2007. There are 2 banners, one advertising the Geneva Congress and the other advertising WFPICCS. WFPICCS flyers should be prepared that could be distributed at various meetings around the world to continue advertising the Federation.

11. Geneva Congress

The current faculty that have already been confirmed by the time of this board meeting is presented. Currently there are approximately 39 speakers from Europe, US and Canada 31, Africa 8, Asia 7, Australia 10, Latin America 5 (total of 90 speakers). There are 19 not yet invited and approximately 20 possible names. The program and sponsoring is in progress.

12. Constitution and membership

The current By-Laws were reviewed as well as the membership structure. Legal advice from Canadian lawyers will be obtained and reported back at the next Board meeting.

13. Elections 2007 Board members & Board of Officers

Jefferson Piva has been requested by SLACIP to remain official member of the board together with Bettina Dessauer (current president of SLACIP). This will continue to 2009. In Australia and New Zealand, Jonathan Gillis has been elected as the representatives. From Europe, Robert Tasker and Denis Devictor are currently elected as the ESPNIC representatives. In North America (Canada and United States of America) Vinay Nadkarni, Ann Thompson and Tex Kisson are current Board members. The Asian representatives plan to meet to present a proposal for the ongoing representation of this region. From Africa and the Middle East 1-3 people will be elected by the CCSSA of whom only one will have voting rights. The nursing group has 3 representatives on the board. Each member society who has nursing members can nominate representatives from that region and put together the 3 representatives. The representatives should be from Africa and Europe, Americas and the Asian and Pacific regions.

The new board will be convened in Geneva at the Congress, and they will then elect the new Executive Board.

14. Endorsements of WFPICCS

Suggested and approved that WFPICCS endorses the Chandigarh meeting that Sunit Singhi is putting together (March 2007). Suggested and approved that WFPICCS endorses the meeting in Viña del Mar in Chile (April 2008) as a regional WFPICCS meeting. The president will constitute a working group to develop guidelines for endorsement of future meetings.

15. Website and sepsis initiative

The Sepsis forum site on the WFPICCS website is demonstrated. A number of sepsis documents have been made available on the site. The documents are not being endorsed by WFPICCS with the exception of the sepsis bundles. The board felt it important that it needs to make clear what material is being endorsed by WFPICCS. The website overall is receiving good numbers of visits, but the response to the sepsis forum has been somewhat disappointing.

16. Core PCO

The Executive Committee will further explore possible core organizations and ask them to present their proposals to the board meeting in Geneva so that a decision can be made to contract a core PCO.

17. Next WFPICCS Board meetings

Chandigarh, India, 28 February 2007

Geneva, Switzerland, 22-23 and 29 June 2007.

Viña del Mar, Chile, April 2008