

Minutes of the British Hip Society Executive Conference Call

Sunday 14th April 2013

Chair

John Timperley

Present

Fares Haddad

John Skinner

John Nolan

Jonathan Howell

Alex Acornley

Richard Field

Gordon Bannister

1. Apologies

There were no apologies

2. Minutes of the BHS Executive Meeting on 27th February were accepted.
Minutes of the AGM of 28th February 2013 were accepted

3. Action Points/Matters Arising

FH to outline the invitation for new members in the Newsletter

FH to contact Olga Foley to check on timing for advertisements for Rothman-Ranawat Fellowship

FH to chase Henry Wynn-Jones for report

JH to write to Keith Tucker regarding Beyond Compliance

Confirmed that Vice President Elect would go through the member's database to see which members had not attended the meeting for two years running.

Regarding commissioning John Timperley will write to Jo Dias to see whether the work that Gordon Bannister has done is progressing.

4. The NJR publication of surgeon level data was discussed.

There have been several discussions about this over the past few weeks. John Timperley has written a letter on behalf of the Society to Professor Bridgewater. Both that letter and Professor Bridgewater's response are attached. It is clear that there will be rapid developments in this area in the next few weeks.

The Central body hoping to publish data will need to contact surgeons but this is not the BOA's responsibility as the BOA is a charity and not all orthopaedic surgeons are BOA members. The consent issue is an important one and we need to be ready to advise our members when the time comes. They are particularly liability/legal issues around what happens to non responders.

The issue of how suitable mortality was discussed some detail. It would appear that mortality has no outliers but it is unclear who will actually provide and publish the data.

There is apparently a move to appoint a Medical Director of the NJR. Part of this process needs to be empowering the clinicians' and in particular BHS and BASK clinicians to have executive mandate in the decision making on our data publication. Ultimately as a Society we want quality assured data and unit level rather than surgeon specific data.

The Australian model of surgeons engaging prior to publication of any reports was mentioned and is potentially desirable. We certainly need to have our feet under the table in any discussions.

We will await further developments and the BHS will advise members both via the newsletter and emails as needed.

5. Review of the 2013 BHS Bristol meeting

The reports were generally favourable. The problems were with the catering and the cold. A £6000 refund was obtained as a result of this. It was highlighted how important it is to have several catering outlets (up to 6) for the next BHS meeting.

The BORS session had relatively poor feedback but it was agreed that this would carry on next year.

6. BOA meeting October

John Timperley kindly circulated the programme.

Fares Haddad will write to David Stanley to check how BHS papers will end up not being duplicated at the BOA. The programme looks appropriate and we are hoping that BASK will join us for the Robert Barrack Charnley lecture.

7. BHS 2014

John Timperley updated us that this would be at Exeter Cathedral with the dinner at the University Great Hall. Several hotels have been chosen. We would continue with the same format of Wednesday through Friday with a BORS session on Wednesday afternoon and a young adult hip session with Johan Witt.

The emerging Surgeons will be run by Matt Wilson and Ben Bolland.

The proposed Presidential guest speaker is Steve Graves.

Several potential topics and focus were discussed. These included:

Multiple short debates that Jonathan Howell would organise and is hoping for suggestions for.

A registry session including Steve Graves

A session on the young adult hip possibly involving paediatric surgeons

A session on infection

Ultimately out of those four three would be chosen depending on whether Graves agrees to come or not. If he comes the registry session will go ahead as a full 90 minute session. If he does not then an infection session may take place. We will also wait and see what happens with Ian Stockley's full day Tuesday programme at the BOA.

8. Newsletter

The previous requests for information were reiterated.

In particular the implant removal session will be summarised and Andrew Manktelow will provide a brief summary and requested help for his library of implants.

John Skinner will write about metal on metal.

We will contact James Badenoch to see if he is happy to write a brief summary of his thoughts and perceptions and advise particularly about presenting evidence from the BHS meeting.

We would ask Henry Wynn-Jones to present a report of his Fellowship.

We will also put an advert in the newsletter for the American Travelling Fellowship.

9. Constitution

It was agreed that all members of the Executive would look at the Constitution and forward suggested details for changes to be tabled prior to next years AGM to Fares Haddad. In particular we wanted to look at the issues that were raised in Bristol around how to introduce new members into the Society.

10. ACCEA

The Committee this year will be Trish Phillips, if she agrees, Fares Haddad, Gordon Bannister and Alex Acornley. We will email all the members who want BHS support to provide us with their documentation prior to April 30th .

11. Website

The website was discussed in some detail. Richard Field is looking for suggestions. Alex Acornley is going to go through the website bit by bit and give advice. One fairly straightforward matter is the fact that the *Recent News* seems to now include some very old news and clicking on an item at the front page of *Recent News* seems to take you to another page where you then have to scroll down and then find it again before actually accessing it. Some of these are not accessible.

Richard wanted guidance as well on the future direction of the website and whether it was designed for members or for other individuals. This needs to be discussed further. Richard was also keen to have a member's database on the website and to have abstract submissions on the website. This needs to be discussed further. This will come up as an item at future meetings.

12. ARUK SCG

Andrew Hamer suggested that Tim Board was keen to take up his role and it was agreed that the BHS would support Tim in this endeavour.

13. AOB

Richard Montgomery has sent an email to John Timperley querying research governance and ethics for a paper that was apparently presented at the BHS.

Andrew Manktelow and John Skinner with help draft a box covering ethics, research governance etc for the next abstract submission.

John Timperley will try ask for further details.

John Skinner and Andrew Manktelow are currently finalising the abstract sent to Bone & Joint. It is important to get the details of any paper that needs to be withdrawn.

The date of the next Conference call is 9th June 2013 at 2000