

Minutes of the British Hip Society Executive Meeting

– Sunday 24th July 2016

Telephone Conference

Chair

Fares Haddad

In attendance

John Nolan

Jonathan Howell

Richard Field

Marcus Bankes

Rob Middleton

Stephen Jones

1. Apologies

Dominic Meek

Andrew Manktelow

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Agreed & accepted

3. NAHR

MB – highlighted that he is awaiting formal paperwork to sign the TORUS agreement on behalf of NAHR after consent confirmed by BHS Exec on previous conference call. The most recent Memorandum of Understanding has been circulated to TORUS stakeholders.

Amplitude in general have been more focused and certainly appeared more committed to the Registry arm of their business. Amplitude documents circulated to the Exec group prior to the conference call and no concerns voiced with the content of these documents and once again no objections raised to the NAHR committing to TORUS.

JH confirmed that the BHS is registered regarding data protection.

4. NJR

FH – Attended NJR MAC and confirmed that Data Validation Exercise continues as a priority and next steps included unit visits as part of this. Unit Level Data rather than increased Surgeon Level disclosure certainly seems to be accepted by all at this stage with further Statistician input into NJR also stating that Surgeon Level Data was not the best route forward.

5. BOA 2016

FH & SJ – Program & time change of free paper session confirmed.
Exec Meeting on Wednesday 14th followed by BHS Dinner.
Previous details of Dinner circulated by SJ.

Action Point - Room details for Exec meeting to be confirmed by SJ & also confirmation of timing for Travelling Fellows interviews.

6. BHS 2017

FH – discussion centered on possible Topics in Focus
Received so far –
Consent & F/U – AM
Instability – SJ
Further suggestions –
Paediatric Hip / Hip Preservation / Hip arthroscopy – JH
Particularly the latter discussed by the group, session would need to cover both positives & negatives of Hip Arthroscopy in balanced approach.
Mix & Match – RM
Short Stems – MB
Life with GIRFT – RF
GIRFT discussed in general in terms of Political themed session, in particular how emphasis has shifted somewhat to cost & impact on reimbursement. FH discussed how this theme could be developed to potentially cover Commissioning & data around variation. The importance being to generate a relevant & up to date session on issues that affect the membership, building on previous successful themes.

Action Point – Exec members asked to develop their suggestions for Topics in Focus and forward to FH/SJ.

7. Newsletter

SJ confirmed that two articles awaited then BHS Newsletter 2016 should be ready to circulate. Thanks given to all for contributions.

8. National Case-mix Expert working Group

FH – document from the National Case mix Office regarding this post were circulated prior to call, no member of the Exec present was previously aware of this role that Mr. Robert Kerry had been undertaking on the Expert Working Group.

It appears that the timing of this request is linked into the terms of reference that every 3 years the group is required to confirm future involvement & engagement. Discussion that this post along with EHS representative for example have emerged as representatives of the BHS with limited feedback and without a clear term of office or mechanism of succession.

Action Point – FH to confirm that the BHS supports Mr. Kerry re-appointment but would ask him to report to the BHS Exec an update of activities of this role.

9. Beyond Compliance

JN – confirmed no new issues arising and also confirmed that Keith Tucker is aware that this remains a standing item on the BHS Exec agenda.

FH confirmed that he in part attended the most recent BC meeting and gave a précis of the process involved. The issue of consent for BC was discussed and that this is low nationally and an issue that BC is addressing.

10. Treasurers Report

RM – The BHS Reserve account (balance around £50K) has been transferred but the formal handover of the working account (HSBC) not yet completed. RM highlighted the complexity of handover with the banks given the due diligence required for potential money laundering. A 3-month period is effectively required for this handover & with significant effort this should be completed in the coming week.

11. Website Update

RF – In the process of trialing different website formats.

MB highlighted the need to ensure it is compatible with all formats (i.e. mobile devices, ipads etc.)

12. AOB

FH – David Hamblen requested copy of BHS Logo to provide Presidential Medal as a gift to the Society. SJ previously forwarded but detail insufficient for manufactures. JN suggested Jai as a link to provide this.

Action Point – SJ to co-ordinate Jai providing digital template of logo design.

FH – Again briefly discussed the reduced uptake of American applications to the travelling fellowship, thought primarily to be due the success of the Rothman-Ranawat Travelling Fellowship. FH will await the formal feedback so we can discuss any issues arising that may be adversely affecting popularity.

RF – requested the group to provide feedback on previously circulated email regarding Keith Tuckers nomination for Honors List award.

PH – Suggestion to move BHS Exec calls to a Monday night at 8.30pm rather than Sunday evening with potentially less impact on family time. Next Exec meeting is scheduled for the BOA and date of the subsequent meeting will be an agenda item. FH voiced no objection to change of scheduling but did highlight how impact of evening clinics or practice could for some impinge on this, in particular what we would want to avoid is members joining late because of this, which may indeed have been one of the drivers to switch to Sunday in the first instance. Item for discussion at next Exec meeting.

13. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 14th September at the BOA in Belfast
Time & Room location to be confirmed by SJ