

BHS Executive Conference Call
Monday 8th May 2017 at 21.00hrs

Chair

Peter Howard

In attendance

Jonathan Howell

Andy Hamer

Andrew Manktelow

Richard Field

Stephen Jones

Ben Bolland

Fares Haddad

Vikas Khanduja

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes of the last meeting, 20th March 2017.

These were approved with minor amendments.

Action: AJH to forward to RF for upload to the website.

3. Matters arising

4. Treasurer update

PH reported that the Police had not been particularly forthcoming with information about the progress of the investigation into the fraudulent theft of the BHS money. He was of the opinion that the likelihood of retrieving the money was very remote.

JH reported that the Police had only been in touch with Rob Middleton (previous treasurer) and that he had little information about the progress of the Police

NET TOTAL BHS ASSETS **£ 19,905.46**

5. Industry Sponsored Fellowships	
a. Stryker Billed for	£ 20,000
b. Others? FH has details	
6. Italian Combined Meeting	
income outstanding	£ 6,975.0
7. Income from subscriptions 2016/17	
To date	£29, 000.00

Discussion then followed:

FH reported that Smith & Nephew had approved the transfer of £50,000 to cover fellowship expenses, and Zimmer had approved a transfer of £65,000 for similar purposes. He reported that there was an agreement in place for the BHS to retain 12.5% of this money (£14,375).

JH reported that most (approx. 85%) of the 2016/2017 subscriptions had been received, and the 2017/2018 subscriptions would begin to be paid in October. This equated to approx. £25,000 by the time of the 2018 BHS meeting.

SJ asked how many donors had helped the BHS.

JH reported £30,321.25 from 35 donors so far, with Gift Aid amounting to £4625. There had been no further donations since the second communication with the members (2nd May), only six days prior to the teleconference.

PH reported that BASK had offered to help. This would probably be in the form of a loan, but this is effectively how the BOA had stepped in to help.

Action: PH/FH to write to BASK to confirm offer of financial help.

JH reported that he was working with Mike Kimmins and Liz Fry at the BOA to improve the financial governance arrangements of the BHS. A face-to-face meeting was planned in the next few weeks.

BB asked what the plans should be in the event of no further money being received in donations. Should subscriptions be raised?

PH suggested that a decision to hold an EGM or ballot of the members should be deferred for perhaps six to eight weeks to establish whether further donations were forthcoming.

5. Membership audit

JH reported that the audit was proceeding with the spreadsheet he held of the existing BHS members being up to date as of the end of April 2017.

AH had been in communication with the website designers to allow him to approve membership applications himself. They had been helpful in responding to his requests, and it was hoped that by the next teleconference the outstanding membership approvals should be complete. Once that had been done, it was hoped that the website database would be cleaned up, and that members could be emailed directly from the Hon Sec, rather than via Natasha at the BOA.

JH reported that presently a daily limit of 200 emails could be sent, but RF suggested that this number could be easily increased.

RF reported that the website company was currently paid £200 pre month, but he had come to a verbal agreement with them to accept a yearly payment of £2000.

AH requested that all approaches concerning membership should be directed to him for appropriate action.

6. NJR

PH reported:

- Data quality generally good
- CQC were showing interest in NJR data, in particular those still outlying over the past five years (ie after the effect of MoM)
- Letters were being sent to surgeons concerning mismatches and for ConC revisions to Metal on Poly bearings

RF asked what proportion of the uploads came directly from electronic systems (eg Bluespier). PH reported approx 5%.

PH mentioned a problem with revision data accuracy where, for example, microbiology results were not available until perhaps two weeks after data entry, leading to erroneous classification of revision type. He suggested that a later editing function might be possible.

7. NAHR

VK had circulated previous meeting minutes from the 26/03/17 meeting.

Points raised included:

- Encourage more surgeon engagement
- Encourage more patient engagement
- Minimum Dataset discussed
- New entry form expected this summer
- Planning meeting with Amplitude expected.
- £15k of NAHR money included in the BHS financial loss
- Not clear whether donation from Smith & Nephew had been paid in
 - *Action: VK to confirm if money paid in*
- Annual report expected July 2017

8. BOA 2017

PH reported that currently the BHS session would start 0900 on Tuesday 19th September with a revalidation session, followed by a further session after coffee leading into the Charnley Lecture. He suggested that “Never Events” should be discussed with input from “Resolution” (renamed NHSLA) as one of the topics, perhaps with VTE as the other. Discussion took place about the optimum timing of the sessions taking into account the Hip free papers on Wednesday and the NJR session

after lunch on Tuesday. At this stage it was felt that the decision to hold an EGM should be deferred until the financial state of the society was clearer. If the revalidation session were to start early on Tuesday, the Exec dinner could be held on Monday 18th evening.

Action: PH to enquire about moving the hip revalidation sessions to later on Tuesday.

9. BHS 2018

PH reported that the plans for the Derby meeting were progressing well. Jai Mistry was involved, and some costs had been reduced by negotiation. It was hoped that the meeting should not make a loss assuming a reasonable attendance. £3000 had been saved by the proposal not to print an abstract booklet and present abstracts on an App. AM suggested that he liked abstract booklets as did RF.

JH reported that the BHS finances would allow initial costs to be covered.

PH reported that it might be possible for members to use the cycle track at the end of the meeting!

10. Website

RF reported that donors to the BHS would be listed in the members area of the website.

FH asked how long BHS were committed to current provider. RF reported an open ended arrangement.

AH asked that any change of provider should wait until current updates complete. He also requested that Exec Committee members re-confirm any conflicts of interest with RF for inclusion on the website.

Action: RF to update website where required.

11. AOB

FH reported contact with the European Hip Society, who were suggesting that the UK representative might be nominated by the BHS. The current EHS rep is Evert Smith who is demitting soon.

Action: SJ to check meeting records and report back at next teleconference

VK suggested the possibility of a joint meeting with either the Chinese or Indian Hip societies. This was felt to have some merit, especially with the Indian colleagues.

Action: VK to explore possibility of joint meeting.

FH raised the issue of BHS membership of FIPO. Whilst FIPO had been well intentioned it was felt, in the current financial state of the BHS, that the annual subscription was not justified.

Action: JH to decline renewal of FIPO subscription at next renewal.

PH reported that the society had been approached to nominate a representative for the eLogbook committee. BB kindly agreed to take this on.

Action: BB to confirm with Phoebe Jones at the BOA

12. Date of next meeting

Monday 10th July 2017 @ 2100 (teleconference)

A J Hamer

Hon Sec

10/05/2017