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MEETING NOTES

Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the WARMTH Governing Board held at 12.00hrs 20 September 2010 at CTICC Cape Town, South Africa. (Held during the World Congress of WFNMB)

Members present

Ajit Padhy (President)
Alan Perkins (Honorary Secretary)
Richard Baum
Pankaj Dougall
Abdelhamid Elgazzar
Annare Ellmann
Kalevi Kairemo
Suresh Srivastava
Harvey Turner
Gregory Wiseman

1. Previous Minutes

Minutes of the first meeting of the Governing Board held in Singapore on 25th February 2010 were accepted as a correct record.

2. Matters Arising

R Baum informed the meeting of the recent sad death of Prof. Thomas Behr.

2.1 Meetings Quorum

S Srivastava raised the issue of the number of individuals required to make meetings quorate. Since there are a maximum of 18 members including the President and Secretary it was stated that a minimum of 9 people would be necessary to pass decisions at a Governing Board Meeting. This figure was agreed for future meetings.

3. Future Meetings

A Padhy presented a list of the WARMTH future meetings:

1. International Workshops on Radionuclide Therapy, Kuwait 28-30 March 2011. Organised by Kuwait Nuclear Medicine Council and Kuwait Institute of Medical Specialities. (www.warmolth.org/upcomingevents.htm)
2. 4th International Conference in Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (ICRT-2011), 28 November – 2 December 2011, Cho Ray Hospital, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. (www.icrt-2011.warmolth.org)
3. 3rd International Symposium on Radiopharmaceutical Therapy (ISRT-2012), 25 – 29 November 2012, Levi, Finland.

It was also stated that WARMTH is also an official sponsor of the 1st World Congress on Ga-68 and Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy (PRRNT), 23-26 June 2011, Zentralklinik, Bad Berka, Germany. (www.1stworldcongress-Ga-68.de)

4. WARMTH registration

A Padhy reported that WARMTH had been registered as an international society in India under the Societies Registration Act of 1860. Registration number S/846342010. WARMTH will be required to pay a registration fee to the Registration Offices in Delhi. This will be dealt with once the WARMTH bank account was in place.

5. Bank Account

P Dougall the Honorary Treasurer reported that the banking arrangements were in hand and would be completed as soon as possible. The application for the account has been made in India. All future meetings registrations will be handled through the WARMTH bank account. Local organisers will also be able to open their own local accounts to take care of local expenditure and to receive monies from local sponsorship. This had been agreed at the last meeting and was detailed in a separate document that is available for the use of local meeting coordinators. A Perkins stated that full records of accounts should be made as WARMTH is receiving monies from individuals and organisations and would be paying for costs incurred as a result of organising meetings and other WARMTH society business. P Dougall would be keeping annual accounts and these will need to be audited to ensure full financial propriety. Two people from the governing body were nominated to provide independent inspection of the audited accounts. Following discussion it was agreed that S Srivastava and K Kairemo would be the official independent financial auditors.

6. WARMTH relationship with WFNMB

A Padhy reported that the World Radiopharmaceutical Therapy Council had now been disbanded officially by the World Federation and WARMTH had now been formally recognised. This would be reflected in future changes to the charter of the World Federation. It was agreed that WARMTH would continue to work closely with WFNMB.

The Singapore General Hospital Nuclear Medicine Update was also formally supported by WARMTH as a collaborating organisation. The website is up and running and can be viewed at www.sgh-nmu.org/faculty/html.

7. Membership Drive

A Padhy reported that there had been 20 registrations with paid up membership by the time of the coordinating board meeting. Certificates had been signed by the President and General Secretary

and had been issued. A membership card with membership number will be issued in future.

8. Academic Activities

H Elgazzar reported that he had been successful in obtaining some support for a workshop in Kuwait covering 3 topics of: Thyroid Cancer, Radisynovectomy and Neuroendocrine Tumours. The date had been fixed for the 28-30 March 2011 and registration would be free to participants. Experts would receive full costs for participation and would be asked to donate an honorarium to the organisers. It was agreed that these arrangements would be finalised to ensure that the financial support and budget are legal and correct. The Singapore General Hospital Nuclear Medicine Update was also formally supported by WARMTH as a collaborating organisation, the website is up and running and can be contacted at www.sgh-nmu.org/faculty/html.

9. Any Other Business

WARMTH had received a formal proposal from R Zimmerman at IBA for the formation of a radiotherapeutics foundation. The concept was to find a substantial benefactor who was prepared to donate a significant sum of money towards the development of novel radiopharmaceutical therapies for the benefit of patients. This proposal was to be discussed further at a subsequent meeting.

Post meeting Note: Further discussion had taken place and it was agreed that WARMTH would consider the formal document relating to the Foundation. The following actions were noted with the aim of encouraging global harmonization of radionuclide therapy.

- 1. WARMTH would collate information on national limits for patient discharge following administration of therapeutic radionuclides.*
- 2. WARMTH would seek to obtain evidence from departments on radiation doses to staff and care support.*
- 3. Would consider cultural differences affecting the clinical practice of radionuclide therapy.*

Next meeting

The next Governing Board Meeting will be held at the time of the Singapore General Hospital Nuclear Medicine Update in March 2011

Prof Alan Perkins, Honorary Secretary, WARMTH October 2010