**ISAM AGM OCTOBER 5th, 2022**

Meeting opened by ISAM President Alex Baldacchino thanking those present for attending.

Update on ISAM 2022 Malta:

* Thanks expressed to the great work done by the host team
* 55 countries
* 47 sessions
* 11 plenaries
* Approximately 455 attendees on site (295 foreigners) and 51 virtual

Discussion on how to increase number of attendees at the AGM

* Suggestion of having a breakfast meeting
* This has worked well for sister organization CSAM
* People would pre-register for a head count for the food
* Confusion in the program as to exact time

Minutes of 2021

* Minutes were sent out to membership
* Motion by T Gawad, seconded by G Bunt to adopt the minutes of the 2021 virtual meeting. Carried.

Executive Reports

* Discussion on how to streamline the process due to time constraints
* Suggestion to have all reports sent out prior to the meeting to members
* All 2022 reports will be sent out

Finances

* Discussion on the financial statements
  + Discussion on expanding the categories
  + T Gawad and H AlGhaferi have a template for financial statements they can forward
* Motion by R Hajela, seconded by D Gigena to accept BDO Dunwoody as the accountants for 2022. Carried
* Discussion on how to increase income:
  + Presently the buffer is too narrow
  + The ISAM Treasurer is creating a Financial Committee
  + Diversify sponsorship with caution as the wrong sponsor can make ISAM vulnerable
  + Looking at technology-based sponsorship and Hospital chains as options
  + Looking at new product: consultation
  + Also exploring having a company do the annual meetings in conjunction with the host body of the country.- this would eliminate discrepancies in format and expectations.
  + Have asked for an estimate from Kenes (WPA0 and once received then will explore a few more with same components so comparisons are accurate
* Motion by D Gigena, seconded by A Abagui to accept the 2021 Financial Statements.

Congress presentations:

* Will be available to registrants for 3 months
* Recording will be available
* No download possible
* Suggestion to charge a fee for non-registrants to access

Changes to Bylaws:

* Changes to include missing items: Affiliation, Regional Council, Collaborating Organizations
* Review by membership present of the changes proposed
* Asked about defining National Society – a definition not put is because this is evolving. Goal is to maintain the ‘physician’ representation and this info shows up in the Profile that those seeking affiliation have to fulfill
* Question: is the section on Collaborating Organizations better placed under operational details?

ISAM Exam:

* 2 in person/18 online (new format)
* 25 will take the exam from the Egyptian Ministry of Health in Feb/23 – awaiting online format of textbooks
* Thanks expressed to Dr. Tarek Gawad for making this happen

Regional Council:

* Confirmation of Prof. Wei Hao as the representative for East Asia
* Vacancies currently for North Europe and East Europe (Europe has more than 52 countries)

Adjournment

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Members Present:

1. Gregory Bunt
2. Sophia Achab
3. Adrian Abagiu
4. Roshan Bhad
5. Nady el-Guebaly
6. Tarek Gawad
7. Mary Janssen van Raay
8. Dario Gigena
9. Raju hajela
10. Shalini Arunogiri
11. Susanna Galea-Singer
12. Hamad AlGhaferi
13. Alex Baldacchino
14. Christos Kouimtisidis
15. Atul Ambekar

Non-member: P Bangma