

MINUTES OF ISAM 2015 DUNDEE, SCOTLAND ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday Oct 7, 2015

In Attendance: 45

1. Call to order at 14:02 and Introduction by President Gregory Bunt
 - The Board is looking at a shift in strategy to have a structure that allows for more representation by organizing regional representatives and establishing key leadership roles
 - Inviting those interested in contacting the ISAM office
 - Ambassador roles and Regional Chairs: role models and opinion leaders
 - Several individuals have accepted to be involved already:
 - Dr. Tarek Gawad for the Eastern Mediterranean region
 - Dr. Henrietta Bowden-Jones for the UK
 - Dr. Susanna Galea – New Zealand
 - Dr. Emmanuel Bablola - Nigeria
 - Dr. A. Baldacchino also working on a European Region/Federation with an emphasis on collaboration with existing groups such as EUFAS
 - Dr. Jorgan Bramness, described EUFAS – 31 societies from 23 countries
 - Dr. el-Guebaly explained the ISAM structure historically from a 19 person Board to present day 7 members
 - Other changes: viewing the creation of Committees once needs are identified
 - Making the website more interactive
2. Adoption of the Minutes from ISAM 2014 Yokohama, Japan Annual General Assembly. Motion by T. Gawad, seconded by M. Galanter to adopt. Carried
3. Positions
 - Notice was sent to membership with information on new President-Elect, Dr. Kathleen Brady.
 - Introduction of newest Board member, Dr. Riaz Khan from Geneva
4. Finances
 - Revamping the fee structure – the Board has approved a dues increase to \$150/\$100/\$50/\$25
 - The 2014 Financial Statements were viewed and questions answered
 - Motion by Dr. Adrian Abagui, seconded by Dr. Kathleen Brady to accept BDO Dunwoody as the accountants for 2015. Carried.
5. Affiliate Societies
 - Fees being reviewed
 - Welcome to newest Affiliate Society from Korea, KAAP
6. Update on Annual Meetings
 - Appreciation expressed to Dr. A. Baldacchino for the successful conference in Dundee
 - Dr. A. Gigliotti spoke on ISAM 2016 Rio de Janeiro
 - i. First meeting in South America in 10 years
 - ii. Theme: *New Challenges and Technologies in Addiction Medicine*
 - iii. Want to bring delegates new information
 - iv. Scientific Committee has been formed
 - v. Planning 37 symposia and 6 plenaries
 - vi. Webpages: www.isamrio2016.com.br

- vii. Registration open: Early Bird
 - viii. Call for Abstracts deadline till August 2016
 - ix. Venue: Othon Palace – on beach and other hotels available
 - Dr. T. Gawad spoke on ISAM 2017 Abu Dhabi
 - Dr. S-G Kim spoke on ISAM 2018 Busan, Korea
 - Dr. S. Khandewal spoke on ISAM 2019 Delhi, India which has been accepted
7. Update on the International Certification Examination: Nady el-Guebaly
 - For 2015 - 4 sat in Dundee and 10 to sit in Banff
 - 130 applicants total in 10 years
 - Questions will be reviewed in the fall of 2016 and will be based on the ISAM International textbook
 - Dialogue in with Manchester University, UK for exam
 8. Update on the ISAM Textbook: Nady el-Guebaly
 - Textbook discount for conference delegates
 - Information sheet at ISAM table
 - Exam to fill gap left by restricted pathway in many countries
 9. Update on the Journal: Marc Galanter
 - Select Abstracts from ISAM 2015 will be published in Journal Substance Abuse
 - There is an opportunity for an Associate editor at the journal of substance Abuse – contact Dr. Galanter through ISAM office if interested.
 10. Fellowships
 - 12 fellowship total for 2015
 - Certificates to be given out at the Gala Dinner
 11. Evaluations
 - Request to all to please fill out the online evaluations
 12. Adjournment at 2:55 PM

Members in attendance

E. Babalola	M. Galanter	A. El-Missiry	W. Wildenboer-
S. Lai	N. el-Guebaly	S. Galea	Williams
R. Hajela	R. Khan	S. Khandelwal	J. Goldsmith
P. Mills	R. Haemmig	S-G Kim	J. Chick
K. Roy	A. Gigliotti	J. Klimas	M. Aldesouki
J. Bramness	D. Gigena	L. Haynes	J. Saunders
A. Baldacchino	A. Johansen	W. White	A. Abagiu
B. Boers	I. Mills	M. Farokhnia	V. Barraso
C. de Jong	R. Lim	O. Dirisu	P. Calman
J. Khalsa	G. Carra	M. Judson	
T. Gawad	C. Antoine	G. Whitton	
Y. Kamier	S. Granak	C. Crocamo	