

ISAM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

April 23, 2005

12:30 – 2:00 PM

Meeting room, Next to Health Club

1. President's update
2. Annual Meetings
 - a. Current and Future annual meetings
3. Affiliation with National Societies: CSAM, Finnish Society, Dutch Society and ASAM
4. New position activities:
 - a. Concurrent Disorders
 - b. Pain and Addiction

Positions on Webpages:

- c. Definitions
- d. Curriculum
- e. Physician Health

Task Forces at current meeting

5. International Certification: Update
6. WHO-ISAM Fellowships
7. Budget
8. Introduction of new Board
9. Introduction of new President, Dr. T. Gawad

ISAM BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Mar del Plata, April 23, 2005

1. Meeting called to order by Dr. el-Guebaly at 12:50.
2. Minutes of last meeting and an Agenda were distributed to ISAM members in attendance. Motion by T. Gawad, seconded by M. Galanter to accept the Minutes of 2004. Carried.
3. Recognition of Local Organizing Committee for all their hard work: Presentation of Plaques of Appreciation to Dr. Maria Delgado-Pich, Dr. Jorge Gleser and Dr. Graciela Lucatelli.
4. Plaque presented to Dr. Doug Talbott as the organizer behind the inaugural ISAM meeting in Palm Springs 1999.
5. Update of next annual meetings:
 - Oporto, Portugal, Sept 26-30, 2006
 - Cairo, Egypt, Oct 22-25, 2007
6. Thanks expressed and plaques of appreciation presented to Founding Board Members who will now be stepping down from the Board of Directors:
 - Dr. C. Brewer
 - Dr. M. Delgado
 - Dr. J. Gleser
 - Dr. F. Poldrugo
 - Dr. D. Talbott
7. Brief update on ISAM-WHO Fellowships and what has been learned from our two years' experience. In future preference will be given to neighboring countries that fall under the World Bank low and mid-low classifications.

Presentation of Certificates to the 2005 WHO-ISAM Fellowship Awardees and a presentation of a photograph from Dr. M. Delgado:

- Dr. Mohamed Alafifi, Palestine
 - Dr. Gihan El-Nahas, Egypt
 - Dr. Elena Reyes Flores, Honduras
 - Dr. Monica Farias, Uruguay
 - Dr. Luis Lopez Chau, Peru
 - Dr. Alfarin Rahmia Movegher, Iran
8. Update on the International Certification Exam which will be held for the first time in Cairo, September 2005.
 9. Update on Affiliation with National Societies and the approval by Board to establish two Categories:

Category A	Financial support per member
Category B	Agreement of goals and Aims and perhaps like ASAM a Memorandum of Understanding
 10. Update on Positions papers.

- There are currently three on the ISAM webpages: *Definitions, Physician Impairment and Curriculum*.
- Two more will be finalized this year: *Pain and Addiction* and *Comorbidities and Substance Abuse*.
- A further three are being worked on: *Alcohol Treatment, Policies* and *Women 's Health Issues*.
- Anyone interested in submitting a position paper for review and feedback can send it to the ISAM office.

11. Presentation of the new ISAM President, Dr. Tarek Gawad and the new ISAM Board:

- Dr. Tarek Gawad, Egypt, President
- Dr. Raju Hajela, Canada, Vice-President
- Dr. Hannu Alho, Finland
- Dr. Robert Ali, Australia
- Dr. Gregory Bunt, USA
- Dr. Giuseppe Carra, Italy
- Dr. Char-Nie Chen, Hong Kong, China
- Dr. Jonathan Chick, UK
- Dr. Gabriele Fischer, Austria
- Dr. David Gastfriend, USA
- Dr. Dario Gigena, Argentina
- Dr. Paul Haber, Australia
- Dr. Alfredo Saavedra, Peru
- Dr. Thorarinn Tyrfinngsson, Iceland
- Dr. Nady el-Guebaly, Canada, Executive Medical Director and Past Founding President
- Dr. Marc Galanter, USA, Journal Editor

12. Presentation of Revenue & Expenses for 2004 and budget for 2005. Appreciation and thanks expressed for the donors of 2004. Office calculated to need US \$35,000/yr to be self-sufficient. We are at US \$20,000 at present. Motion by D. Talbott, seconded by R. Hajela to accept the Revenue & Expenses Statement as presented. Carried.

13. Presentation of Special Appreciation plaque to Dr. el-Guebaly for his role as Founding President these past 6 years.

14. Dr. Gawad, new President , also presented Dr. el-Guebaly with a gift and expressed his hopes to continue with the education aspect of ISAM and hopes to expand ISAM's horizons by stabilizing membership and working to bridge the gap between North America, Europe, South America, Australia and the Middle East with Asia and Africa.

15. Adjournment at 1:25 PM

Recorder

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