

MINUTES OF ISAM 2013 KUALA LUMPUR ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Friday, November 22, 2013

In Attendance: 20

1. Call to order at 12:10 and Introduction by President Hannu Alho
2. Adoption of the Minutes from ISAM 2012 Geneva Annual General Assembly. Motion by G. Bunt, seconded by A. Baldacchino to adopt. Carried
3. Update on future annual meetings:
 - Appreciation expressed to the LOC for Kuala Lumpur
 - Presentation on ISAM 2014 Yokohama. Presentation on webpages
 - Presentation on ISAM 2015 Dundee. Presentation on webpages.
 - Presentation on ISAM 2016 Rio de Janeiro.
 - Announcement of ISAM2017 in Abu Dhabi
 - Several applications for ISAM 2018 are being considered
4. Best Abstract Award of \$1000: winner was Dr. Kimura Mitsuru from Japan (*The prevalence of alcohol, nicotine, hypnotic abuse in the earthquake and tsunami stricken are in Japan*).
5. Updates on Committees:
 - Membership & Promotions Committee – update by Susumu Higuchi
 - Website/Publication Committee – update by Jens Reimer
 - Training, Education and Liaison – update by Gabrielle Welle-Strand
6. Update on the International Certification Examination: Nady el-Guebaly
 - 11 have sat the exam in 2013
 - Dialogue in 2014 with UK organizations for exam
 - 110 have taken exam since inception in 2006
7. Update on the ISAM Textbook: Nady el-Guebaly
 - 136 Chapters/255 authors/120 pages
 - Projected to be ready for Nov 2014
 - Price is not set but working on having discount for ISAM members and affiliate members
 - Thanks expressed to all participants/authors
 - Thanks expressed to co-editors: Marc Galanter and Giuseppe Carra
8. Update on the Journal: Marc Galanter/Hannu Alho
 - Abstract from ISAM 2013 Kuala Lumpur to 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.
 - ISAM will also enter into a contract with Journal Drug and Alcohol Dependence (DAD) and members will be able to access issue online once set up in 2014
9. Finances:
 - M. Dorozio presented slides with Financial Statements from the Account and also Summary of Expenses from Office compared to 2012. Expenses for running office still under the \$55,000 per year approved by Board.
 - Motion by T. Gawad, seconded by J. Chick to accept the financial Statements and Office financial summary as presented. Carried.
 - Motion by S. Brissette, seconded by T. Gawad to retain BDO Dunwoody as the accountants for 2013. Carried.
10. Fellowships:
 - In future fellowship awardees will be limited to 1 per country

- NIDA: 4 fellows
 - o Dr. A. Ender Altintoprak, Turkey
 - o Dr. Khaled Helmy, Egypt
 - o Dr. Karsten Lunze, USA
 - o Dr. Darika Saingam, Thailand
- WHO: 1 fellow (one had to cancel due to illness)
 - o Dr. Emmanuel Babalola, Nigeria
- ISAM: 5 fellows
 - o Dr. Daniele Carretta, Italy
 - o Dr. Babak Tofoghi, USA
 - o Dr. Levant Tokucoglu, Turkey
 - o Dr. Jaswinder Singh, India
 - o Dr. Olena Zhabenko, Ukraine
- ISAM fellowship will be limited to 4 per year at a max of \$2500

11. Evaluations

- Evaluations are essential for CME
- Please hand in to get attendance certificate

12. Suggestions from members:

- Please have presentations on webpages.
- The ISAM office will ask the LOC if it is possible to get presentations for webpages

13. Other business:

- There will be a vacancy for the Board in 2014.
- Notice will be put in Newsletter
- Please send expression of interest to ISAM office

14. Adjournment at 1 PM

ATTENDANCE:

G. Welle-Strand
 J. Chick
 S. Brissette
 I. Gothney
 A. Ender Altintoprak
 M. Galanter
 H. Alho
 A. Abagui
 B. Pardis
 D. Carretta

A. Baldacchino
 M. Kelly
 O. D'Agnone
 G. Bunt
 N. el-Guebaly
 S. Higuchi
 K. Brady
 T. Gawad
 R. Hajela
 E. Bablola