

WFPI Executive Committee meeting, 26th February, 2015 (online)

Present: Ines Boechat (President, chair), Veronica Donoghue (VP), Dorothy Bulas (Vice Secretary), Gloria Soto (Treasurer), Tim Cain (Acting Treasurer, Membership Secretary), Jaishree Naidoo (President AfSPI, ex officio ExCom member), Amanda Dehaye (General Manager)

Absent: Rutgers-Jan Nievelstein, Wendy Lam

Red comments = agreed Blue comments = action

1/ Feedback, regional boards, "WFPI - What Future"

See here: http://www.wfpiweb.org/Portals/7/Workrooms/Feedback,%20regional%20boards%20%20%20WFPI,%20what%20future-.compressed.pdf

IB: highly appreciated the feedback, heart-warming to see the enthusiasm. Re AOSPR's question about when outreach work becomes WFPI-affiliated: this is an important point, needs real thought, put it on the agenda for the next ExCom meeting. Likewise, ESPR's newsletter looks for European physicians to receive WFPI recognition for any lower resource work they have done. This will amount to a huge amount of work, there are many physicians the world over with lower resource experience. Appropriate for ESPR to list their members' work and we will see when such work is linked with WFPI. This does need clarifying.

Action:

- ⇒ circulate the feedback to the full Council so they see the support and levels of commitment, see that every society is doing the best it can
- ⇒ add the issue of how an outreach project becomes WFPI-affiliated to the next ExCom mtg agenda

2/ Upcoming bylaws revision

TC: Some revisions were presented at the end of the 2014 Annual General Meeting in Amsterdam. Members also passed a motion to allow e-voting in between members' meetings. Four further motions now up for vote:

1/ MOTION ONE

Changes to the bylaws to introduce a new membership category of "Associate Members"

We have opened up a new membership category, "Associate Members", allowing radiology organizations with paediatric sections/special interest groups and organizations for all professions related to medical imaging to become members of WFPI.

This new category will be non-voting, leaving paediatric imaging organizations (voting members) to be the driving force behind WFPI.

We hope associate membership will open up partnership opportunities, strengthen our international network and reflect the professional overlaps and interdependences we work with everyday.

2/ MOTION TWO

To reduce the number of votes each Member Organization has from 3 to 1

The initial figure of 3 votes was intended to provide leeway for Member Organizations to represent differing internal points of view – e.g. from different countries/areas/interest groups within their organizations. But it has proved too complicated and unnecessary.

[To note: Voting is equal among all WFPI's Regional and National/Supranational Member Organizations at members' meetings, but only Regional Organizations have a seat on our Council]

3/ MOTION THREE

To modify the text from "National and Supranational Members" to National/Supranational

This is a drafting/style issue to facilitate reading and avoid confusion with the number of membership categories we will have, i.e. three (Regional, National/Supranational and Associate)

4) MOTION FOUR

To reduce the quorum waiver for e-ballot voting period from 60 working days to 30 calendar days on the condition of WFPI-issued weekly reminders during this time.

60 working days seems too long and is complicated to administer/track (spans several months, whose public holidays count? Etc.). So we are looking to simplify.

Drawing in individuals?

TC: "Friends of WPPI" suggested by GS in previous meeting. We can go that way down the line, although it does need thought regarding role and responsibilities. We are structured as a Federation, so fitting individual membership into our structure could be complicated, fees etc. But it merits consideration. For now, stay focused on Associate Members category. Webpages are currently open to anyone, so individuals can follow and benefit from WFPI output, they're just not members in their own right.

Agreement:

ExCom approved the motions

Action:

- ⇒ circulate to member societies next week for their e-vote,
- ⇒ prepare a brief presentation on the next round of revisions for the Annual Mtg, Graz/ESPR June 2015

3/ Council turnover

Officer positions to be filled

Vice President: SLARP. President "Job description" here

http://www.wfpiweb.org/Portals/7/Workrooms/WFPI%20Secretary.pdf

Vice Secretary: probably AfSPI, if not AOSPR. Secretary "Job description" here http://www.wfpiweb.org/Portals/7/Workrooms/WFPI%20Secretary.pdf

How the land will lie following turnover in June 2015

President: ESPR Vice President: SLARP Secretary: SPR

Vice Secretary: AfSPI? If not, AOSPR

Treasurer: SLARP (backed by AOSPR/TC if needed)

Vice Treasurer: ESPR

Membership secretary: AOSPR

Representative Directors – all 5 societies

One of the two RepDirs for each regional society reaches the end of his/her term in June 2015. He/she can either hold another 3 year term or be replaced (bylaws). "Job description" here

http://www.wfpiweb.org/Portals/7/Workrooms/WFPI%20Representative%20Directors.pdf

Current list:

AfSPI: Jaishree Naidoo, Omolola Atalabi AOSPR: Bernard Laya, Abrah Hayat ESPR: Erich Sorantin, Eva Kis SLARP: Pedro Daltro, Celia Ferrari

SPR: James Donaldson, Rebecca Stein-Wexler

Action: societies will inform ExCom know of nominees as soon as they can, at the very latest before the Annual Mtg, 5th June 2015. (We suggest you send a reminder to your different Representative Directors about the options).

4/ Upcoming ExCom and WFPI meetings

ExCom

- Thurs 2nd April (VD absent, RJN present)
- Thurs 7th May
- Thurs 2nd July

Other

- WFPI leadership meeting, 5th June, 10-12 am Austrian time (= UTC/GMT +1): online or onsite at Graz/ESPR
- WFPI's Annual General Meeting, 5th June, 1:30 3 pm Austrian time: online or onsite at Graz/ESPR

SPR annual meeting:

WFPI leadership gathering in larger numbers at ESPR this year (IB also absent for JPR - Jornada Paulista de Radiologia 2015 in Brazil - DB will represent WFPI at SPR board and business meetings). Therefore, there might be impromptu meetings as opposed to a large/online formal one.

Action:

- ⇒ check if Dr. Soto can attend on April 2nd (need SLARP present). If not, a doodle poll on its way...
- ⇒ consider organization for informal WFPI meetings at SPR

5/ International Day of Radiology 2015

VD: meeting on IDoR on Saturday a.m. at ESR (early March). VD absent, Marilyn Goske can't make it either - ill. ESPR meeting scheduled on Thursday lunchtime to discuss it too. IDoR book on the agenda

DB: originally an ESR concept. Last 3 years: combined with RSNA and ACR. Theme 2015: pediatric imaging. Aiming at radiologists, referring physicians, the public – can be made as big as wanted. Last year reached 400,000 people. Our pediatric radiology community has good infrastructure and we're building up experience (as an example, last IG campaign reached over a million people). But there is a bit of confusion about who's in charge. ESR/ACR/RSNA concerns: don't have massive funding, don't want to over-promise their support. But with WFPI, ESPR's connections to ESR, SPR's connections to ACR - we are in a great position to make the most of this, and the opportunity will not arise again for many years.

ESR designs the poster logo, we need more info. But it needs pushing so we can present/promote at the annual SPR and ESPR meetings – encourage people to think about what they could do locally.

Book production: going through Cathy Owens. It is typically an ESR project. CO and VD are key to this. ESR is the driving force, we must not step on toes, but we mustn't miss this opportunity either. This initiative hasn't been used to its fullest over the last 3 years. It's a great way to send messages about pediatric imaging – international and grass roots.

Need to start raising awareness soon, if VD could let us know what we can do. IG has substantial list of societies/contacts we could use for North America. We need help to draw up an international list. Get the greenlight re logo and a general "good to go", then start moving. Boris Brkljačić (adult radiologist from Zagreb) is in charge, has exchanged messages with IG and WFPI (Brian Coley knows him).

VD: start work before ESPR and SPR meetings, otherwise run into Northern hemisphere summer time.

Action

⇒ VD to provide feedback on this after the ESPR meeting at ESR (book project, what other pediatric radiology societies and WFPI can do to help).

5) Online video library – behind the scenes

DB: Online video library launched. 8 videos up. http://www.wfpiweb.org/EDUCATION/PortalWFPIYouTubeeducationchannel.aspx

We have prepared a framework for an Online Video Library Committee. Sanjay Prabhu, webmaster, has set it all up and produced simple "how to" guidelines for making the videos. We won't be vetting the content, so need to work on disclaimers, sort out intellectual property issues (creative commons licence etc.). Content should include not just videos on what physicians have done but fill any existing holes. Keep the talks a little shorter - 10 mins, eg. If material content does do not fit this format, divide it in two 10 minute sessions. Urge all to look at the video library, good opportunity for juniors to demonstrate their knowledge. Content can extend from basic to state- of – the –art imaging. 10 minute teaching sessions on e.g. MRI protocols – put it on a video.

TRANSLATION: Alexandra Monteiro's group ready to produce in Portuguese. SLARP in Spanish? We can't have a policy that we'll translate everything, but WELCOME videos in other languages. It is hard to check content, especially when in different languages. We need to determine when to block/remove content.

TC: will eventually need an editorial committee. But to start with, take whatever comes and keep an eye on what works and what doesn't. Morph the initial committee into this?

GS: should have an editorial board. May generate much enthusiasm, need to control content.

AD: the plan was to place initial emphasis on disclaimers - not expecting big rush of videos right away, cover the initial ones with this. Once the start-up issues are sorted out (lay out, approaching speakers, technical, building up an "ambassador network", IP/legal issues, marketing, budgeting/reporting, future funding, communications) could morph into an editorial committee.

AD: Hacking incident (of this same page): discovered on Tues 24th Feb, fixed by evening Wed 25th - we will be invoiced by the website developers. Need to seek professional help sooner next time - a cost we will have swallow.

AD: "Case of the Week" now issued, here https://instagram.com/wfpieducation/. Accessible via website home page, WFPI Facebook or Twitter accounts. Reaching good numbers of people, site traffic is rising in general.

Action: add morph into/future creation of editorial committee into the online video committee framework.

6) Other points

IB: let Amanda know if you have items for future ExCom agendas

DB: (i) Seize every opportunity for presenting/introducing WFPI; (ii) there may be an outreach opportunity for pediatric radiology teaching in Rwanda – 1 or 2 months. If know anyone who might be interested, contact me.

Meeting adjourned.