

## WFPI Executive Committee Meeting, 6th October 2016 (online)

Present: Gloria Soto/GS, (President), Wendy Lam/WL (Vice President), Dorothy Bulas/DB, (Secretary), Jaishree Naidoo/JN, (Vice Secretary), Rutger-Jan Nievelstein/RN (Treasurer), Ines Boechat/IB (Past President and Chair), Veronica Donghue/VD (Past President), Cicero Silva/CS (Outreach lead), Brian Coley/BC (Digital education lead), Richard Barth/RB (Vice Treasurer), Amanda Dehaye/AD, (General Director), Kim Pede /KP (Admin)

Absent: Kimberly Applegate/KA (IG Representative)

### Blue comments = action

#### 1/Mapping (update)

**GS:** An overview of the responses received thus far was provided. We have received responses from Latin America, Africa, USA, Canada, Spain, France, Germany, Britain, Australia, China, Japan, Hong Kong, Korea, and India. The information received is interesting. We will need to follow up with some countries in Asia, NZ, the rest of Europe, and Russia, where feedback is needed/pending.

This phase aimed to collect input on how the questionnaire should be formatted. The next phase will be to send out the actual questionnaire.

GS asked VD to share her concerns that WFPI moves forward in Europe without the ESPR, during the ESPR's suspension of engagement with WFPI until January 2017s. VD asked GS to write a letter to ESPR's President, explaining the project and what is expected. RJN informed VD that this had already been done. As one of WFPI's ESPR representatives, he had forwarded the request to Cathy Owens, ESPR President, following the WFPI August 2016 EXCOM meeting. VD doesn't remember seeing this exchange. EXCOM members agreed that another letter could be sent from GS to Cathy Owens.

GS indicated that the result of this mapping project is to write a paper, publish it, and share the information with the Pediatric Radiology community. The goal is to present the findings at the next SPR meeting in March. WFPI would also like to make this information available to organizations that want to do outreach.

#### Action:

GS to write a letter to the ESPR Board asking for their assistance, cc'ing VD and RJN.

Working group will define the survey questions, the format and the platform used to conduct the survey.

October: send survey to our key contact people

November: review and compile the information

#### 2/ Digital Education (update)

**BC:** reported that almost all the survey responses are in. Overall, he is pleased with the information received. Of particular interest: responses on communication channels and social media use. There was also feedback on Image Gently will be passed along.

**AD:** shared the social media post form that has just been created by Sanjay Prabhu and Monica Gilsanz: from hereon out, if someone has a post to suggest for Facebook or other, they need to submit it via this form.

Here's the link <http://www.wfpiweb.org/ABOUT/Socialmediaposts.aspx> It needs wide circulation by EXCOM members and via WFPI's newsletter, social media channels etc.

#### Action:

EXCOM members to note/bookmark this link, use it for suggested posts as opposed to email, and ensure its wide dissemination.

### 3/ Outreach (update: POCUS and Brazil)

**CS:** Presented an overview of current POCUS activity.

1. Savvas Andronikou taught at a recent Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors without Borders training course on POCUS in Stockholm. They appreciated the hands-on showcase and felt that it was very complete.
2. The next MSF training course will be in Malawi – we would like to film it, but may not get permission this time. MSF is looking to create a library of content that can be shared on a USB stick for dissemination, as internet connections are not always available.
3. The MSF field POCUS manual is nearly finalized, with input from WFPI authors. The excellent head chapter unfortunately could not be used.
4. Jarred Halton, MSF, is producing a guide on the role of imaging from an MSF operational perspective: what would the minimum imaging that would be required? He had a 2 day meeting with clinicians from MSF, with positive feedback
5. Tanzania update – WFPI had been contacted by Rotary and they have made contact with the physicians on site. They have an internet wireless connection to a laptop. This should be enough to allow images to be sent to them. In the meantime, there are fibre optic cables being added which should help them in the future. Another organization, FAME, also based in Tanzania, contacted us. They have just received a large medical imaging donation from GE. They offer pediatric and obstetrics care. We have offered help for paediatric imaging.
6. Brazil – CS and Ricardo Faingold have just been, accompanying a Brazilian paediatric radiologist, Dr. Roberto Avritchir. They lectured on pediatric ultrasound topics and tutored residents via hands on practice sessions. There were no pediatric radiologists where they were. They plan on returning next year to teach in another city.

**AD:** Mentioned that Jared is looking for one or two ultrasound trainers since Savvas is unable to attend the MSF meeting in Malawi in late November. This is paid for by MSF. We need to get the word out.

**GS:** Asked for clarification on what the MSF library is all about, so WFPI does not duplicate efforts.

### 4/ SPR program (update)

**GS:** The program has been submitted with all of the attendees.

### 5/RSNA-WFPI meeting

WFPI has a meeting room booked at RSNA for **Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am**. It was agreed that only a face to face meeting will take place, with the EXCOM members present at RSNA and anyone else invited as needed for the discussion (e.g. participants in our SPR meeting session next May). So this year, no full Council or open meeting with online participation.

**DB:** It is good to allow the ACR, RSNA and other the occasion to drop in and meet with WFPI.

Suggestion: a representative from WFPI can attend the ACR meeting at 9:00 am on Monday to allow for exchange with other organizations.

**Action:**

AD and GS to issue invitations as appropriate for a meeting on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am, at RSNA – room details to follow.

A WFPI representative will attend the ACR meeting

### 6/WFPI internal funds allocated for outreach

**AD:** In the past (2014 and 2015), \$5,000 has been made available for outreach training trips in Malawi and Laos respectively. Here's the current criteria <http://www.wfpiweb.org/ABOUT/Funding.aspx>

GS: suggest that this year, we do something different. We could award a scholarship to a person who doesn't have any formal training in pediatric radiology, allowing them to train for three months in a well-known academic center. As a condition of the scholarship the recipient would have to disseminate what they have learned in their country of origin.

EXCOM members approved this idea, although strongly cautioned the need for close scrutiny of how the money will be used. GS wants to be sure that it is clear that the money would be used for pediatric radiology. Perhaps the Allan Parker funds can be earmarked for this use. Question: would US3k be enough in, eg, Africa? (VD said this was the amount distributed in Europe).

A final decision is pending Treasury confirmation that sufficient funds exist to offer this scholarship.

**Action:**

RN to determine what funds are available for scholarships

JN to come back with a recommended amount for the scholarships in Africa

**7/IDoR 2016**

**DB:** Provided an update. IDoR is focused on breast imaging this year. WFPI has posted the information on the web site. DB wants to be sure that we promote pediatric US breast imaging.

**8/ Secretary update**

**DB:** called for ideas on how WFPI can be promoted during regional pediatric radiology/other meetings. Who is attending what meeting in the future? Can we prepare a slide or two that can be used to promote WFPI?

**9/ Any other business**

Nothing noted.

**Next EXCOM meeting: Thursday 3rd, November**

[EXCOM meetings take place on the first Thursday of every month]