Academy of Medical Educators

Second Annual General Meeting
10.00 am on Wednesday 28 January 2009
at RIBA, 66 Portland Square, London W1B 1AD

Chair: The President, Professor John Bligh FAcadMed (Hon)

Minutes

Fellowship and Awards Ceremony

1. **Honorary Fellowship**

   Following election by Council, the President admitted as Honorary Fellows: Professor Sir Kenneth Calman, Professor Dame Lesley Southgate, Professor Dame Carol Black (in absentia), Professor Stuart Macpherson and Professor Sir John Tooke.

2. **President’s Medal**

   Upon recommendation of Executive and with the unanimous agreement of Council, the President presented the Medal to Professor John Spencer in recognition of his exceptional and sustained contribution to medical education.

3. **Admission to Fellowship and Membership by Recognition**

   The President admitted the following new Fellows: Archer, Julian; Bleakley, Alan; Bradley, Paul; Brice, Julie; Bristow, David; Byrne, Aidan; Carney, Stuart; Clapham, Mike; Cooper, Nick; Gallen, Derek; Garden, Anne; George, Chris; Greenwood, Stephen; Johnson, Neil; Leinster, Sam; Long, Andrew; McKeown, Pascal; McKimm, Judy; Miller, Alasdair; Nichols, Mary; O'Neill, Paul; Peile, Ed; Quentin-Baxter, Megan; Swanwick, Tim; Watkins, Steve

   and Members: Isba, Rachel; Mossop, Liz; Subramanian, Ganesh.
AGM Business

4. Notice of convening the meeting

REPORTED
The Registrar confirmed that notice of the meeting was posted on the Academy’s website together with the Inaugural Annual General Meeting Minutes, Memorandum and Articles of Association on 7th January 2009. An e-mail reminder was sent to members on 9th January 2009.

5. Minutes of the Inaugural Annual General Meeting 2008

AGREED
Annual General Meeting adopted the minutes of 22nd January 2008 as a correct record, without correction.


REPORTED
The President presented the Annual Report of Council and proposed a vote of thanks to the Officers and Inaugural Council of the Academy.

7. Statement of accounts for years 2006-7 and 2007-8

REPORTED
The Honorary Treasurer Professor Derek Gallen presented the Accounts for the years ended 30th September 2007 and 30th September 2008.

AGREED
Annual General Meeting adopted the Accounts for the years ended 30th September 2007 and 30th September 2008.

8. Special Business

REPORTED
The President explained that the Charity Commission have recommended that the Academy consider amending Article 3 of the Memorandum of Association to more closely reflect the charitable object of the Academy. Also, to enable the efficient running of the Academy, the President asked Annual General Meeting to consider amending Article 10 and Article 33.

AGREED
Annual General Meeting approved the following amendments and noted that in the exercise of Article 10(ii) precautions must be taken that members have only one vote each:

(a) That Article 3 of the Memorandum of Association be amended to read:
The objects for which the Association is established are:
The advancement of medical education for the public benefit in particular by:
   a) the development of a curriculum and qualification system;
   b) undertaking research for the continuing development of professional medical education; and
   c) the promotion and dissemination of best practice in medical education

(b) That Article 10 be amended to read:

   10 (i) All General Meetings, other than Annual General Meetings, shall be called Extraordinary General Meetings.
   10 (ii) All General Meetings may be held by electronic means if the Council so decides although any ten members may require that a General Meeting, which Council wished to be held electronically, shall be held with members invited to attend in person. Where a meeting is held electronically, the provisions of these articles shall apply mutatis mutandis.

(c) That Article 33 be amended to read:

   Until otherwise determined by a General Meeting, the number of members of the Council shall be not less than 5 or more than 25.

9. Council Elections

REPORTED
The President reported that Lynne Allery, Julian Archer; Paul Bradley, Stuart Carney, Derek Gallen, Anne Garden, Sean Hilton, Andrew Long, Paul O'Neill, Lesley Southgate, Tim Swanwick, and Diana Wood have been elected to serve on Council.

10. Any Other Business

CONSIDERED
The Registrar had received notice of one item for consideration under Any Other Business. Ian Curran had asked about how the Academy would relate to medical educators working outside of the United Kingdom. The President informed Annual General Meeting that this important matter will be considered by Council at its first meeting and, with agreement of Council, he intended to convene a group to consider international membership.

11. Date of the next Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 27 January 2010.

Dr Stuart Carney
Registrar