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MONITORING AND
CLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

18th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 5, 2011 • Stuttgart Germany

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Opening Remarks

President Alexander A. Vinks called the 18th Annual General Meeting of the International Association of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring & Clinical Toxicology to order October 5, 2011 in the Convention Centre, Stuttgart Germany. He welcomed all present and declared that a quorum was present. A report from the Past President was added to the agenda at item 7.

2. Approval of Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Moved by Dr. P. Marquet, Seconded by Dr. P. Walson

That the minutes of the 17th Annual General Meeting July 26, 2010 in Anaheim California be approved as circulated.

Approved.

3. President's Report

Dr. Vinks reviewed the association activities over the past two years.

- The member-get-a-member campaign was very successful and Dr. Teun van Gelder was the winner.
- The Directors of Education with the President Elect formed a Task Force on Education and they have developed a structure for a webinar series. All committee chairs have been asked to suggest a topic and a speaker for the series.
- The 20th anniversary of IATDMCT was celebrated in 2010 and the Founding Fathers and Past Presidents were recognized.
- A successful IATDMCT Travelling Lectureship was held. Dr. Vanessa Steenkamp of South Africa spoke in a number of cities in Chile, with Dr. Sandra Solari as the organizer for the tour.
- Dr. Vinks visited Japan and the annual Japanese Society of TDM Conference, at their invitation. He thanked the society for the invitation.
- The First Regional Meeting in Beijing was very successful and signaled the first step toward a new collaboration
- With the management of Drs. Denise Fleming and Binu Mathew and under the auspices of IATDMCT, a very successful National Symposium on TDM was held in Vellore India.
- Communications: *Compass* continues to flourish and Editor in Chief Dr. Maria Shipkova, and Associate Editor Dr. Denise McKeown were warmly thanked for their work. Dr. Alain Verstraete was thanked for his work on the website.
- Dr. Vinks thanked the Executive and Council for their support over his Presidency, and especially acknowledged the out-going members of Council – Dr. Maurer (Past President), and Drs. Vanessa Steenkamp, William Clarke, and Mercé Brunet.
- E. Hooper is retiring and Pamela Lyons will be the new Executive Director.

4. President-Elect's Report

Dr. Pierre Marquet, President-Elect, reported that the President-Elect's tasks are Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee, Chair, Site Selection Committee for Congress, Liaison to the Congress Planning Committee, and Chair of the Task Force on Committees.

Nominations and Elections: The elected 2011-13 Council members are:

President.....Dr. Pierre Marquet
President-Elect.....Dr. Pierre Wallemacq
Secretary.....Dr. Don LeGatt
Treasurer.....Dr. Loralie Langman
Past President.....Dr. Alexander Vinks
Director of Education.....Mr. Paul Taylor
.....Dr. Teun van Gelder
.....Dr. Eberhard Wieland
Councillor.....Dr. Olof Beck
.....Dr. Frank Peters
.....Dr. Katherina Rentsch
.....Dr. Benedetta Sallustio

New members of Council are Drs. Wallemacq, Rentsch, Beck, Wieland, and Taylor.

Site Selection Committee: Amsterdam and Prague have submitted applications to host the 2015 Congress and the committee has met with their representatives and the decision will be announced at the Closing Ceremonies.

Liaison to the 2011 Congress Planning Committee: Dr. Marquet thanked the Congress Co-chairs Drs. E. Wieland and C. Hiemke for their work in producing a very successful Congress.

5. **Secretary's Report**

Dr. Donald LeGatt, Secretary, reported that he was the Executive Liaison to the Scientific Committees. Terms of Reference have now been developed for each scientific committee, and each committee has a vice chair in place. The Clinical Pharmacokinetics Committee has changed its name to Pharmacometrics and the Pharmacoeconomics Committee has merged into this committee as well. The Chiral Pharmacology Committee has been disbanded.

Dr. LeGatt was also the Executive Liaison on the Task Force on Membership Recruitment. The task force's Member-Get-A-Member Campaign resulted in 32 new members. 22 members participated in the campaign. The task force also produced "IATDMCT Needs You", as another tool for recruitment. Promotional materials have been placed on the website for member use when making a presentation. Exit interviews have been conducted with members who leave the association, and a First Timers Reception was held at the beginning of the Congress.

There are 87 young members in the association, making up 25% of the membership. The member numbers are very stable and Dr. LeGatt encouraged all members to recruit at least one new member. The Task Force welcomes suggestions for ways to increase the membership.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Dr. Loralie Langman, Treasurer, reviewed the financial reports for the year 2010 and the current statement for 2011.

Moved by Dr. Langman, Seconded by Dr. Uges
That Kositzka, Wicks & Co. be retained to review the finances for 2011.
Carried.

7. **Report of the Past President**

Dr. Maurer reported that he served as the Chair of the Awards Committee. He thanked Drs. M. Oellerich and D. Holt for their service as members of the Awards Committee.

8. **Report of Directors of Education**

Dr. Pierre Wallemacq reported on behalf of the Directors. The Directors held several meetings and have decided that the best way of providing an educational series for the members would be through podcasts posted on the members-only area of the website that can be viewed at the viewer's convenience. They are asking the Scientific Committees to come up with the topics and speakers. A Young Scientist lecture series is also under discussion.

9. **Reports of Scientific Committees**

The written reports of the scientific committees were accepted as circulated in the meeting package. Chairs were invited to add comments:

- The Antifungal Committee is considering including ante-infection topics
- Dr. F. Saint-Marcoux is the new chair of the Pharmacometrics Committee
- New Sampling Strategies Committee is planning some new initiatives
- Dr. Ross Norris is the new chair of the Standards of Practice Committee
- 25% of the membership are Young Scientists. There were 90 young scientist attendees at the Congress and 50 to 60 attendees at the Young Scientist Luncheon. Dr. Peters is stepping down from the committee and Dr. Denise McKeown is the new Chair. Dr. Hans Maurer was thanked for his help and support in establishing the Young Scientist Committee and activities.

10. **Publications**

10.1 *Therapeutic Drug Monitoring Journal*

Dr. Michael Oellerich, Editor in Chief, presented the highlights from the Editorial Board meeting. The impact factor is 3.127. More manuscripts are needed from the members. It is planned to launch a Young Investigator subscription program with discounted fees. Members will be asked to place a template about the journal on their local society website. LWW publishers have agreed that members are free to translate articles and put them in their own journal.

10.2 *IATDMCT Compass*

Dr. Marie Shipkova, Editor, invited contributions from the membership about the Congress or other activities in their local area.

11. **New Business**

Dr. Tanigawara, President of the Japanese Society thanked IATDMCT for sending Dr. Vinks to their meeting. The Japanese Society has over 800 members, their own journal, and website. There are many opportunities for collaboration between the two societies.

There are 10 Past Presidents in attendance at the Stuttgart Congress.

12. **Presidential Remarks**

Dr. Vinks thanked the members for their support during his Presidency and promised to continue working for IATDMCT.

Dr. Pierre Marquet assumed the chair, but noted that Dr. Vinks will continue as the President until the Closing Ceremonies. He thanked Dr. Maurer who will be stepping down from the Executive. He noted that during his Presidency, Dr. Vinks had achieved a new level of

participation from the membership. His leadership included the Travelling Lectureship to Chile, the Beijing and India Regional Conferences, the activities of Task Forces on Membership, on Committees, and on Education, and the development of a number of policies that will guide future activities of the association. The result of his outreach to the members has resulted in a dramatic increase in membership. Dr. Marquet has asked Dr. Vinks to take on the position of permanent liaison to the Japanese Society and Dr. Vinks has accepted this position.

Dr. Marquet presented a gift to Dr. Vinks on behalf of IATDMCT.

There being no further business, the President thanked the members for their attendance and the meeting was declared adjourned.