



BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Wednesday 12th December 2018

Time: 11:00-14:00

Venue: 1 St Martin's Le Grand, London, EC1A 4NP.

MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

Richard Schilling (**RS**) [President], Alistair Slade (**AKBS**), Holly Daw (**HD**), Martin Lowe (**ML**), Stuart Harris (**SHa**), John Paisey (**JP**), Trudie Lobban (**TL**), Joe DeBono (**JDB**), Pier Lambiase (**PL**), Vicki Carpenter (**VC**), Ian Wright (**IW**) Shona Holding (**SH**), Jason Collinson (**JC**), Francis Murgatroyd (**FM**), Eleri Roberts (**ER**), Mark Sopher (**MS**), Ms Perovica (**MHRA**)

1.	Apologies for absence AT BW AH AS KR	ACTION
2.	<p>Agree minutes of previous Council meeting on 10 October 2018 [RS] Agreed</p> <p>No agenda for HRC from Angela – TL chased today</p> <p>No GDPR re nurses - chase</p> <p>Radcliffe Cardiology – RS view that Constitution allowed to invite to specifically talk re journal element but not to rest of meeting Invite at set time – provide dates and set times at end of meeting Council agreed</p> <p>Roadshows nothing progressed – overlap with A-A Cardiac Update Meetings</p> <p>Lead extraction – JC confirmed uploaded to web site and social media yesterday, names removed. No response from A-A Ex Cttee so leave as is</p> <p>Pleased to have Alistair back following absence</p> <p>Treasurer JD shared with SHa</p>	TL DONE
3.	<p>AOB Declaration [All]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership reinstatement – procedure for accreditation and payment [AKBS] Should membership be continuously for 10 year for reaccreditation. RS suggests if not a member for 10 years then would need to redo complete accreditation - log book & exam or remain a member and get accreditation with just exam. <p>Hidden on web site so need to make it more prominent. To be accredited you have to be a member. If you stop being a</p>	

	<p>member you are no longer accredited.</p> <p>AGREED – make the wording clearer, and either pay back dues or retake logbook and exam ACTION: AKBS & RS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FBHRS Certificate –JDB all done by TL – ACTION:TL to get signed and issued • Co-opted vs ex-officio observer members - Commercial Representatives vs HCP [Alistair Slade] – as above <p>MS – update Council Rhythm Management (N Linker leading) work stream cardiac improvement work ongoing – 3 links CRM/Aortic disease and cardiac surgery. Two-year programme and four work streams –</p> <p>Policy (N Linker lead)</p> <p>Data (FM lead)</p> <p>Clinical Pathway (D Todd lead)</p> <p>Service Model (MS to lead)</p> <p>Working groups in place by March 2019 – leads to consider who should be on them and any areas with no representation but delivering good work should be encouraged</p> <p>Delivered by NHS regional but set nationally. Draft road map for where to get to over next two years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern over implementation and claim they will use with commissioning bodies • Next meeting in Feb • FM – who should have AF ablation – various guidelines and this group are suggesting drafting more guidelines which can be even more restricting. RS met with NHS and said they are softening on this. <p>EXAM – AT to stand down in next 12 months. Council unanimously thanked AT for an excellent job over the last nine years. AT to recruit someone ideally to shadow ACTION: AT</p> <p>WALES & SCOTLAND – ACTION: RS to follow up to encourage joint working and invite to BHRS</p> <p>DEVICES & IMPLANTABLE DEVICES: RS – devices failing early and recent Panorama programme and media coverage – should we put on web site? MHRA said very little response following recent media activity. FM: NICOR does not collect data and no funding available for date collection of failed devices. RS suggests joint statement between MHRA/BHRS Council agreed no action necessary until feedback from MHRA.</p>	<p>AKBS & RS</p> <p>TL-DONE</p> <p>AT</p> <p>RS</p> <p>MHRA</p>
4.	<p>Nurses Update [Shona Holding] – Liaise with BHF for education grant to set up separate education day – interactive day. Possibly at HRC or BCS meeting</p>	<p>SH/JF</p>

	<p>80 nurses on forum. ACTION: SH to speak to A-A Database Manager (Julie Fear) re GDPR</p> <p>Change constitution to allow by-elections and co-opted members as currently cannot serve longer than 12 months ACTION – TL to go back to nurse who recently expressed interest in Council to see if they are interested in being co-opted and stand for election later in year</p> <p>AKBS to amend constitution and bring to AGM October 2019.</p>	<p>TL</p> <p>AKBS</p>
5.	<p>Training update [John Paisey] No update – entire cardiology curriculum is being redesigned – will take another 1-2 years to complete. No specific update but will share as soon as something is available. Arrhythmias and devices is one of the themes.</p>	
6.	<p>BHRS Survey Update [Martin Lowe] V6 shared yesterday evening with Council, now needs to be circulated so that feedback will help develop further. Identifying under-provision, out of hours provision, has tried to incorporate all comments. Council members debated the survey aspirations and recognised that some models of service delivery were simply not possible outside major urban centres but that the survey would provide a crucial snapshot of current levels of provision and drive Network led change to optimise cardiac rhythm management for all. ML Proposed we now obtain the data, evaluate, then debate how to improve for following year and move forward.</p> <p>COUNCIL AGREED – ACTION ML to work with TL to send out and analyse. Should be ready to share with TL by end of year and TL to circulate January 2019 FM to obtain clinical lead database from NICOR</p>	<p>ML & TL</p> <p>FM</p>
7.	<p>Research Update [Pier Lambiase] BHF Clinical Trials Network – advertising for lead. Multi-centre trials running well with next meeting in March. Hoping BHF will fund event. Meeting will be publicized to attract delegates – date to be confirmed ACTION PL</p>	<p>PL</p>
8.	<p>Website Update [Jason Collinson]</p> <p>1. Web site – coming along well new updates monthly. ECG challenge successful.</p> <p>2. Social media – to promote members and non-members involved – need to create more pages. Nothing on line re Fellowship for example ACTION: JDB page on Fellowship</p> <p>3. Journal/Editorials – feels opportunity removed from physiologists and members as editorial programme has been taken away now that AER has taken over. Missed opportunity for members. Web site could be used to signpost people to journal. RS suggest putting in both and wider audience. ACTION RS to ask AER</p> <p>4. Need to decide where to spend efforts to improve length of time spent on web site and how to improve/entice people to the web site. Page visits are not as important and time spent on web site. JC spends a lot of time creating content for web site and A-A spends a lot of time uploading however how do we drive more traffic? ACTION JC & TL & A-A team to discuss</p>	<p>JDB</p> <p>RS</p> <p>JC/TL/A-A</p>

	<p>5. TL shared Social Media calendar idea used by A-A and offered to create same for BHRS. JC prefer Council to send to him to filter.</p> <p>6. Facebook only has 36 members</p> <p>7. Communication – will produce for end of Jan to go to all members. Invited Council to submit any news ACTION: ALL</p> <p>8. JC highlighted workload for him and A-A is very time consuming and offers of help would be appreciated.</p> <p>9. Discussion as to why BHRS members who do not attend HRC cannot access presentations. ACTION: TL to provide feedback if this could be made available</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>TL</p>
9.	<p>Council Dates 2019 - 07 Feb; 24 April; 02 July; 09 Oct & 11 Dec 2019 @ BCS Offices & The ICC (HRC2019)</p> <p>AGM – Tuesday 08 Oct 2019 – The ICC, Birmingham (HRC2019)</p> <p>ACTION: TL to issue diary invites to Council & JC dates on web site</p>	<p>TL done</p> <p>JC</p>
10.	<p>IQIPS [Ian Wright] ACTION IW Develop Position statement and create folder on web site to publish standards etc to build a pack to meet IQIPS requirements and provide openness. Physiologists could review and provide feedback for updating as ongoing. BHRS can produce, bring value to members and deliver very useful work for regional/local centres.</p>	<p>IW</p>
11.	<p>Secretaries Report [Alistair Slade] AKBS will be returning to work in next 2-3 weeks – prior to sickness AKBS had already suggested appointing a 'Shadow Secretary' as he leaves Council after six years next October. Would help the new person as they would have some understanding with full support of AKBS for 12 months. RS suggested Council think about it and a vote can be held at next meeting. Should not be someone who is due to leave or stand for re-election next October as this would defeat the handover training. AKBS highlighted that approx. nine positions on Council are due to be elected next October</p>	
12.	<p>Treasurers Report [Stuart Harris] Feedback on S/O vs D/D and not increasing/decreasing subscriptions etc ACTION: TL to provide feedback from Director of Finance at A-A – report at next meeting.</p> <p>How do we increase income? Change direction of society? Distant Learning? Must abide by Constitution and the aims of the Society, however this does fall under the Constitution.</p> <p>RS: Strategy/Activities should lead finances not the other way around. RS proposed that we review formally BHRS strategy at next Council meeting.</p>	<p>TL</p>
	<p>Date, time & place of next BHRS Council meeting:</p> <p>Thursday 7th February 10:30 – 13:00 – BCS Offices Thomas Lewis Room</p>	