



Association of Clinical Scientists

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REPORT OF THE COMPANY SECRETARY

At December 2007 the membership was 15 consisting of representatives from the following organisations:

Association for Clinical for Biochemistry (*3 – 2 representing Clinical Biochemistry and 1 representing Clinical Immunology*) (ACB)
Association of Clinical Cytogeneticists (ACC)
Association of Clinical Embryologists (ACE)
Association of Clinical Microbiologists (ACM)
Association of Respiratory Technology and Physiology (ARTP)
British Academy of Audiology (BAA)
British Blood Transfusion Society (BBTS)
British Society for Clinical Neurophysiology (BSCN)
British Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (BSHI)
British Society of Haematology (BSH)
Clinical Molecular Genetics Society (CMGS)
Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (2) (IPEM)

Co-opted:

Vision Scientists
Clinical Electron Microscopists (ACEM)
Health Professions Council (HPC)
Royal College of Pathologists (RCPath)

Officers

The following officers were elected at the Annual general Meeting held on 27th March 2007

Chairman: Dr. Derek Pearson
Secretary: Dr. Joanna Sheldon
Treasurer: Dr Brendan Cooper

Meetings of the Governing Body

The Governing Body of the ACS has met four times in 2007 – on 10th January, 4th April, 11th July and 27th September. The Association for Clinical Biochemistry has been the venue for each meeting.

Attendance at meetings

ABS = ABSENT, APOL = SENT APOLOGIES
 DEP = SENT DEPUTY Y = ATTENDED
 - = not applicable

		Jan 07	March 07	July 07	Oct 07
Prof. Peter Sharp	IPEM - Chairman to March 2007	Y	Y	-	-
Dr D Pearson	IPEM -Chairman from March 2007	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr Jeff Seneviratne	ACB - Secretary to March 2007	Y	Y	-	-
Dr Joanna Sheldon	ACB - Secretary from March 2007	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dr Brendan Cooper	ARTP - Treasurer	APOL	APOL	Y	Y
Dr Ian Watson	ACB	Y	Y	APOL	Y
Dr Tony Parkin	ACC (to 03/07)	Y	Y	-	-
Dr Kim Smith	ACC (from 03/07)	-	-	Y	Y
Dr David Morroll	ACE	APOL	APOL	APOL	APOL
Dr Sue Skidmore	ACM	Y	Y	Y	DEP
Dr Rob Low	BAA	Y	Y	APOL	Y
Dr Richard Pottinger	BSCN	APOL	Y	ABS	APOL
Dr Mike Scott	BSH	Y	DEP	ABS	-
Dr Sandra Irvine	BSH (from 03/07)	-	Y	Y	Y
Dr Paul Sinnott	BSHI	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dr Chris Prowse	BBTS	DEP	APOL	DEP	DEP
Dr Anneke Seller	CGMS	Y	Y	Y	ABS
Dr Neil Lewis	IPEM (from 03/07)	-	-	Y	Y
Observers					
Dr Tim Ryder	ACEM	Y	Y	-	Y
Professor Colin Barber	Vision Scientists (to 10/07)	APOL	APOL	-	-
Dr Malcolm Brown	Vision Scientists (from 10/07)	-	-	-	Y
Dr John Old	RCPATH	APOL	Y	Y	Y
Dr Chris Green	HPC Member (resigned 02/07)	Y	-	-	-
Dr Daisy Haggerty	HPC Alternate	-	Y	Y	Y

Advancement of objectives

The Association had obtained the approval of Privy Council for the scheme to assess the competence of applicants wishing to apply to HPC for state registration and had appointed a panel of assessors. The panel has been reviewed and meetings of assessors were held on 19th November 2007 to discuss how the assessment process was functioning and to develop good practice guidelines.

253 applications for assessment were received in 2007. There were 14 applications that were rejected at portfolio and a further 10 that failed at interview. There were 137 successful candidates and at the end of 2007, are 89 applications that are in progress. There were three applications that did not proceed for reasons particular to the applicants.

Modality	Applications
Audiology	15
Clinical Biochemistry	48
Clinical Embryology	8
Clinical Genetics	38
Clinical Immunology	11
Clinical Microbiology	8
Developing Science	3
Haematology	1
Histocompatibility & Immunogenetics	14
Medical Physics & Clinical Engineering	107
Total	253

There has been a 134% increase on the 2006 figures for the number of applications.

J.M. Sheldon
Company Secretary