IAPB Executive Committee

14 January 2016 – Conference Call

Time - 20:00-21:00 London time
Venue - Conference Call
Attending - Chair: Bob McMullan
Member(s): Victoria Sheffield; Adrian Poffley; Kathy Spahn; Jennifer Gersbeck; Neil Murray
Apologies: Serge Resnikoff
In attendance: Peter Ackland; Alessandro Di Capua

Minutes

1. Minutes of last meeting
B. McMullan welcomed the newly elected IAPB Vice President, V. Sheffield, to the Executive Committee before moving to the agenda.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Matters arising:

- P. Ackland confirmed that a prioritised list of policies had been drawn up and work had started on writing the most urgent ones. A more detailed update will be provided at the next meeting;
- It was noted that conversations were ongoing with possible candidates to join the Audit Committee as many of its members, including the Chair and Treasurer, will come to the end of their terms in 2016. V. Sheffield noted that she may know suitable professionals for the position of Treasurer and will make informal approaches to check their interest in standing for the role before signposting them to P. Ackland and A. Poffley.

2. Regional Chairs election’s process
P. Ackland and A. Di Capua presented the paper on the Regional Chairs’ election process. Following discussion the Committee approved the proposed recommendations:

- Member organisations will be asked to nominate the representative eligible to vote for each regional election they were entitled to vote in;
- Member organisations will have no more than one vote for each regional election they were entitled to vote in.

The Committee also decided to follow precedent practice and reset all terms of office for regional chairs given the changes in the rules approved in 2014. This meant that all incumbent chairs would be able to stand at this year’s election if they so wish regardless of previous time spent in office, as the one starting in 2016 will be considered the first term out of the two consecutive ones allowed by the new rules.

The Committee agreed with the proposed timeline for nominations and election and clarified that the process for the other elections due to take place in 2016, i.e. for Officers and elected seats on the Board, will be decided at the 9-11 May Board meeting.

3. **Membership applications**
   The two new membership applications from Sight For All and Hormoz Chams Research Chair in Public Health Ophthalmology were approved, with the latter though pending positive endorsement from the Regional Chair for Eastern Mediterranean.

4. **Staff salaries**
   The 2016 staff salaries review was discussed and the proposals approved.

5. **AOB**
   As there was no other business the meeting was closed.