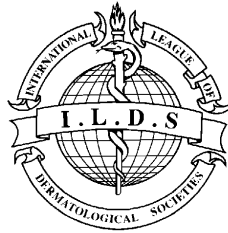


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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
THE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR DERMATOLOGY
HELD ON
TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER 2006
COMMENCING WITH LUNCH AT 12.30P.M. IN THE
BETA ROOM, RODOS PALACE HOTEL, RHODES, GREECE**

PRESENT

R J Hay, DM, Chairman
D I McLean, MD, Secretary
A Kaminsky, MD, PhD, Treasurer

R Marks, MBBS, President (ILDS)

H Grossmann, MD
D Lookingbill, MD
C L Goh, MD
R Galimberti, MD
A-M Pierini, MD
M Ramos-e-Silva, MD, PhD
F Camacho-Martinez, MD, PhD

T Nishikawa, MD
J-H Saurat, MD
B Giannotti, MD
M E Maloney, MD
J Revuz, MD, PhD
K Thestrup-Pedersen, MD, PhD

Eve Arnold, ILDS/IFD Administrative Officer

APOLOGIES

S I Katz, MD, PhD
T. Ryan, MD
W Sterry, MD

J-P Ortonne, MD
A D Katsambas, MD
G Stingl, MD

- 1. WELCOME**
The Chairman of the IFD welcomed everyone to the Committee meeting.
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
 - 2.1 The Minutes of the last IFD Committee meeting, as a separate charity, were recorded as a true reflection of the meeting.

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1 Financial Reporting.

The Chairman reported that there was budgetary provision made for the IFD within the ILDS budget. The largest item on the budget is the Student Scholarships for students going to Moshi. Professor Hay explained that when the RDTC in Moshi was originally founded, a large proportion of the scholarships were funded by African nations, through the Commonwealth Regional Health Community (CRHCS) Secretariat eg the Tanzanian and other governments put in funding. Whilst the Tanzanian government remains the major sponsor of its own students and paying the current expenditure, and whilst the Kenyan Navy and Zambian Army occasionally fund students, other African nations do not.

The budget was proposed, seconded and passed.

3.2 RDTC (Reported by Professor Grossmann)

There has been a lot happening over the last year and at the last meeting of the Advisory Board of the RDTC, which is a joint venture between the IFD/ILDS, the Tanzanian Government, The GSF/KCMC and a number of others including the WHO and the Commonwealth Regional Health Community of East, Central and Southern Africa agreed that an appointment would be set up for the successor to Professor Grossmann as Principal of the RDTC. After much delay, Dr. John Masenga was eventually appointed by the Ministry of Health in cooperation with the GSF/KCMC as Principal of the RDTC. Professor Hay congratulated John Masenga on behalf of everyone.

Professor Hay also expressed the Board's thanks for all the work Professor Grossmann has put into the RDTC and deepest and heartfelt thanks for all that he has accomplished. It was also reported that Professor Grossmann would be staying in Moshi for a while and continuing to add major support.

Professor Henning Grossman presented his report on the operations of the RDTC over the past year and the proposals for the coming year. This included current student involvement, last year's examinations, progress of residents and visitors to the RDTC.

Professor Grossmann expressed thanks to all donors who had been extremely generous.

Professor Hay expressed thanks, too, to Professor Lookingbill for giving his time in examining the students at Moshi.

3.3 Fund Raising

This item was discussed at the ILDS meeting and it was reported that none of the items on the list prepared by Professor Hay were discarded and a sub-committee has now been co-opted to take this further.

4. Work outside Africa

Mali – The IFD has sponsored a programme in Mali using short course teaching to general medical officers and nurses to identify the commonest skin diseases and deliver the treatment protocol derived by Antoine Mahe and Ousmane Faye, supported by the Malian Ministry of Health.

Mexico – Professor Hay reported last year that there is a small programme in Mexico which is supported by the IFD and the AAD. Neil Prose leads for the AAD. This project teaches community dermatology in a cyclical manner in the state of Guerrero. It is run by Dr Roberto Estrada who is dermatologist in Acapulco and who organizes his fellow dermatologists, about five times a year, to join him over a weekend during which they cover intensive class teaching for one day and then a teaching clinic where they see patients on another.

The majority of the Mexican training costs are shared between the IFD, AAD and the State of Guerrero

Brazil – A preliminary study has been carried out with local residents along the Amazon tributaries. More funding is required for this project.

China –This is a project which may be revisited in the future.

5. Dermlink

The ILDS Board had asked the IFD to re-design Dermlink and Professor Hay put forward to the meeting a modified proposal which, in particular, drew attention to the application form and rules. This was adopted by the Committee.

A committee to discuss Dermlink projects is required to be set up. Professor Giannotti, Professor McLean and Professor Revuz were co-opted for this purpose. This was proposed, seconded and approved.

These new regulations were accepted by the Board and it was agreed that the committee will meet again for further discussion and then to contact the member societies asking for proposals.

6. Administration and Academic Links

Professor Hay advised the meeting that he will have more time to devote to academic links after he leaves his current post as Dean in Queen's in a year's time.