



ACP Board of Directors Meeting
20th July 2018
SUMMARY and DECISIONS

1. Present and apologies

Present: Isobel Pick, Sarah Gilmour, Heather Stewart, David Hadley, Jemima Phorson, Andrew Hughes, Mary Walker, Nick Waggett, Phillip McGill

There were no apologies.

2. Minutes and matters arising

Minutes of the May 2018 meeting were agreed.

Action Points from the May meeting were updated, taken with items on this meeting's agenda, or deferred as appropriate.

3. This item should have been omitted from the agenda

4. Professional Standards Committee

The PSA has re-accredited the ACP and commended the achievement of the diversity working group. The PSA has not imposed any conditions but has made some recommendations regarding review of the risk matrix: these will be reviewed by NW and the relevant committees.

Regarding the ACP's Data Retention Policy, HS reported that the ACP was seeking legal guidance on how long to keep data and documents.

From next year all ACP members must have an ACP member supervising them to ensure that supervisors meet ACP standards and make the process of accreditation consistent and simpler.

- ❖ Agreed in principle to create an Associate Member (Supervisor) paid membership category to ensure supervisors meet our standards. The Professional Standards Committee to bring forward detailed proposals.

5. Financial update and Remuneration Committee update

The draft financial reports for the six months to 30 June 2018 were circulated and discussed.

A budgeted item for a PhD project research is a grant to a student: they will be asked to present their research findings to the ACP or at an ACP event.

JP reported that the ACP must move directors on to PAYE, as honoraria are subject to income tax and Class 1 National Insurance, although the payments would still be classed as honoraria for contractual reasons.

- ❖ The Board agreed to move directors receiving honoraria on to PAYE from April 2019.
- ❖ Agreed that members newly qualified each summer would be asked to pay the full rate of membership from 1 September in that year.
- ❖ Agreed to broaden the remit of the Remuneration Committee to Remuneration and Finance. AH to remain the chair, unless the committee decides otherwise.

6. Scientific Development

Ongoing production, staffing issues and rising costs at the journal were discussed.

- ❖ DH to work with T&F to resolve these issues, hopefully before the new contract is signed.

IP expressed thanks to the Northern Organising Group for facilitating the Annual Conference in Manchester.

7. Funding of the training – update

Health Education England (HEE) has invited the ACP to a meeting in September to discuss child psychotherapists' training funding.

The fear is that HEE intends to withdraw salary support for trainees, though what the future might be is not as yet known. Concern was raised about how changes to the funding regime may affect different training schools. The ACP needs to work with the training schools to make the case for continued funding, when other disciplines are also facing cuts to funding and salary support.

The challenges and opportunities for lobbying government were discussed, including the need for parliamentarians – especially Conservatives – who would champion the ACPs cause; the need to demonstrate unmet demand for mental health services; and the value of presenting compelling individual case studies.

8. Feedback from the AGM

The annual reports were approved at the AGM. IP thanked the EDs for their work on this.

Following elections to ACP committees at the AGM, it was noted that vacancies remained for a Deputy Director of Professional Standards (DDPS) and a Deputy Director of Scientific Development (DDSD). Consideration will be given to paying deputy directors in the short term.

Recruitment to ACP committees and recruitment of lay NEDs and CAPt NEDs to the Board needs further careful thought, including what skills are needed and who we might think of approaching. Going forward, the role of the NEDs is to expand to take on the scrutiny function held in the past by ISAAC (the Independent Scrutiny and Advisory Committee).

9. Operations and Liaison

The Purpose and Value Statement for the LGBT Support Network for Psychoanalytic/dynamic Practitioners (circulated with the agenda) was discussed briefly, with further comments to be forwarded to the Operations and Liaison Committee.

10. Changing dates for future Board Meetings (to avoid clashes with TC and PSC)

The September 2018 Board Meeting will be on 21st September.

- ❖ Agreed to move the Board Meeting in November one week to 23rd November, and thereafter meetings will be held on the fourth Friday in alternate months.
- ❖ The Executive Zoom Meeting will be on the first Friday each month, from 14:15 – 15:30.

11. AOB

There was no other business.