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Minutes of the delegates meeting of the UEMS Nuclear Medicine Section/European Board of Nuclear Medicine. Saturday October 11, 16.00 – 18.00, International congress Center Munich, Germany

1. Welcome and approval of Agenda.

The meeting was opened by Dr. Thomas O. Nunan, President of the Section and Board of Nuclear Medicine of the UEMS. There were 26 National Delegates, 3 members of the UEMS/EBNM Executive Committee, 5 Committee Chairs and 1 PWG representative present. Apologies were received from the UEMS/EBNM Secretary & Treasurer.

The Agenda was approved by the delegates

Dr T Nunan introduced and welcomed Dr Julia Huijbregts. She represents the permanent working group (PWG) of junior doctors. This group represents the junior doctors from 26 UEMS countries. It will monitor the quality of training and working standards for junior doctors within Europe. Dr Huijbregts is a junior doctor from Utrecht, The Netherlands.

2. Items added to the agenda.

There is still concern about the supply of Mo-99 and it was felt that a Europe wide solution would be required involving the European Commission. The UEMS has supported by letter the stand of the EANM but no reply has come from the UEMS Brussels yet.

A second item was that at the Executive Committee had decided to publish its activities in the conference edition of the EJNMMI, however it was not appreciated that there were to be 2 volumes to this edition and the volume with the details of the Section and Board were in the volume posted to members and not that distributed at the Conference. UEMS document that was meant to be published in the conference edition of the EJNMMI was actually published in the non-conference October edition.

3. Minutes of National Delegates' Assembly Copenhagen 2007.

The minutes of the meeting of 2007 were circulated. There were no corrections and they were approved.

4. Activity report of UEMS/EBNM Executive Committee.

Most of the information concerning the Executive Committee is in the paper work circulated before the meeting.

It was decided that it would be more sensible to hand over the Presidency at the EANM meeting and not on January 1st. This will happen at the EANM in 2009.

There followed a report of the Brussels meeting of the UEMS held in April to celebrate 25 years of the UEMS. At this meeting there was much discussion about the role of the doctor and the definition of the Medical Act. One item which was added to this definition was that the patient has the right to see a doctor.

There was also a lively discussion concerning the length of higher specialist training with an agreed minimum of only 3 years. One eastern European country has already acted on this and imposed a 3 year training scheme much to the concern of the others. As countries will wish to reduce training costs the main argument that could be used to counter these changes is patient safety.

5. Finances (*M. Milcinski*)

T.O. Nunan presented the UEMS/EBNM finances for 2007 showing an income of roughly €33,000 but spending of €44,000. This increase in spending was due to the increase in activity of some of the Committees. A model for fee increases by country was suggested scaled to the number of Nuclear Medicine Physicians. Some countries would have their fee halved and others would be increased to a maximum of €1,000. These changes could occur over 3 years. It was noted that a Maltese NM Physician paid €125 for UEMS/EBNM membership whilst a German NM Physician less than €1 so the system was not equitable. However this would increase the income by about €6,000. It was agreed that the fees would be increased on a variable rate depending on the number of specialists in each country. For the larger countries (fees over €600), this increase would be introduced over 3 years. For those below this the fees would increase in one step and for the smaller countries the fees would be reduced. It was agreed that the Executive Committee could work out an equitable range to be introduced in 2009.

The budget was approved.

6. Report on multi-modality imaging.

T.O. Nunan gave a report on multi-modality imaging. There have been two meetings of the EANM, EBNM and the ESR to discuss the recent survey, however until the results of the survey were formally presented to the members of the EANM no further work has been done. A synopsis of the results of relevance to EBNM were shown. The survey supported the proposal of discussions between the 2 societies continue to define a curriculum in Radiology for Nuclear Medicine Trainees and vice versa. There was to be a further meeting later in the week at the EANM Congress.

7. Activity report of the Committee Chairs.

a. Fellowship Committee (*J. Buscombe*)

Examination 2008:

Sunday 13.00-18.00

31 taking MCQ

Tuesday 13.00-18.00

Up to 26 oral

FEBNM under the umbrella of CESMA

Glasgow declaration

Covers all UEMS board examination

Changes from 1st January 2009:

All successful candidates will be given FEBNM independent of country of origin or specialisation (with retrospective upgrading of certificate to fellowship)

In those from UEMS countries the full examination can be taken in the final year of training

In non-UEMS countries the 3 year requirement for full examination remains

b. Accreditation of CME Committee (*T. Varetto*)

Past CME Committee Work (2000-2007):

Evaluation and Accreditation of CME Events -73 European Events evaluated.

Current CME Committee Work: Proposal for EBNM website;

UEMS/EBNM-CME Committee: Purpose and Mission;

European Accreditation Council for CME (EACCME) and European CME credits (ECMEC);

How to obtain a European Accreditation;

Fees;

Update of EBNM website with the list of all forth-coming events approved by CME Committee.

c. Accreditation of Training Centres Committee (*C. Rossetti*)

The list of Accredited Nuclear Medicine Training Centres has been updated on web, including contact details of the head of departments.

65 accredited training centres in file by 22/09/2008

Accreditations of Training Centres in detail:

28 re-accreditations 2008 (accredited 2003) received

20 re-accreditations 2008 (accredited 2003) promoted end of 2007 and mid 2008 (polite reminder)

5 new accreditations 2008

4 new accreditations 2006

1 new accreditation 2005

7 new accreditations 2004

2009: start visitations going, guidelines for people who inspect has to be developed - 1 should be national, the 2nd from a neighbouring country – common languages should be spoken.

Regarding the recognition of Accreditation certificates relevant institutions shall be contacted (School of Medicine, IAEA).

d. Accreditation of Nuclear Medicine Departments Committee (*L.S. Maffioli*)

List of accredited sites is updated;

All sites agreed to be published on the web;

List of members is updated;

Forms for accreditation and for renewal are updated;

Lunch Session for the EANM'08 (Tuesday 14th October);

Cooperate with the IAEA:

The certification based on the IAEA “self-appraisal document” is accepted. However the Department, which applies for UEMS/CANMD accreditation on the basis of this text, must to have no negative answers in class “A” questions of the questionnaire (‘A’ standards are defined in the document as those required by legislation, IAEA technical documents or other external standard-setting bodies).

The quality system of the Centre must be checked by an external (e.g.: a national body) auditor.

CANMD will publish the document on its web-site.

CANMD will diffuse this document allowing its presentation during the lunch session at the EANM 2008 Annual Congress.

CANMD, if requested, can support the project as a panel of “experts”.

Cooperate with the European Commission (Clinical Audit):

The purpose of this EC project was to provide clear and comprehensive information and guidance on the procedures and criteria for clinical audits in all radiological practices, in order to improve the implementation of Article 6.4 of the MED-directive.

The guidance had to be flexible and enable the member States to adopt the model of clinical audit with respect to their national legislation and administrative provisions.

The project is conducted by a consortium with a lead contractor Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority (STUK), Finland.

The first step of the project in autumn 2007 was to review the status of the implementation of clinical audits in the Member States through a questionnaire.

The results of the questionnaire confirmed the earlier conclusions that there are the variety of approaches and problems in the implementation of clinical audits, and that there is a clear need to clarify the purpose of clinical audits by further guidance.

The second step of the project was the preparation of the desired guidance.

The first complete draft was distributed for comments to all partners and panel members.

It was discussed and improved during a meeting held in Poznan on 6th June 2008.

The last step was the presentation and critical review of the Guidance at the international Workshop on 8-10 September 2008 in Tampere, Finland.

The document is going on for the final version to be submitted to the EC.

Cooperate with the AIPES

The regulatory pressure for “safe delivery” of radio isotopes is growing although not yet being formalized.

AIPES wants to work out together with EANM / UEMS a solution for providing minimal standard throughout Europe for the safe receiving of the goods (radio isotopes) in the hospitals.

“AIPES transport experts” are willing to propose a minimal standard for the reception of goods in hospitals.

CANMD could participate in the proposed standard creation and support it.

Continue the diffusion of the ISO software

Lunch session is the vector of information for the website downloadable software

Software was mainly downloaded for improvement, to apply for ISO and for accreditation

From our last questionnaire, we know that:

Software is helpfull

> 70 % of the « downloaders » are intending to apply for ISO within the 3 upcoming years

> 55 % of the « downloaders » will apply for accreditation within the 3 upcoming years

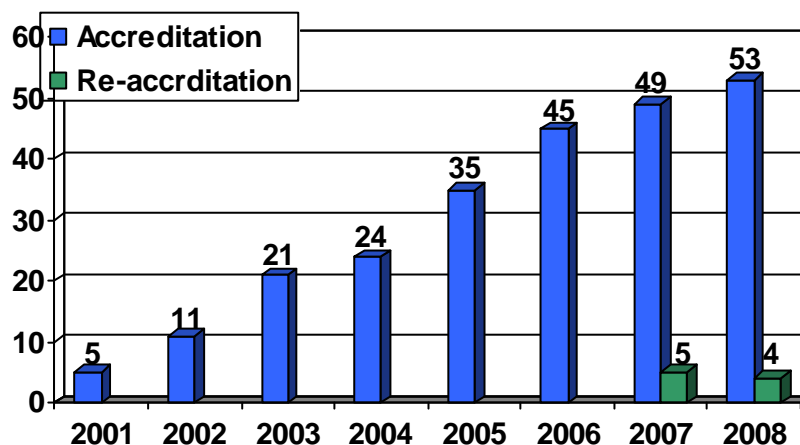
Collect fee for accreditation or re-accreditation.

The process of re-accreditation has started

The two forms with payment details are currently used

Up to now, payment has not been proven to be a relevant stopping element for the candidates

Accredited Centres in Europe



e. Education and Syllabus Committee (*A. Prigent*)

4 of 6 members of the Committee are active, 2 are getting retired.

7. Exoneration of the Board.

The board was exonered by the delegates.

8. Election: auditors of accounts.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Metka Milcinski (Ljubljana, Slovenia) and Prim. Univ.-Doz. Dr. Siroos Mirzaei (Vienna, Austria) were proposed as auditors and agreed.

9. Varia.

Prof. Szilvasi asked the European Board to look at the impact of the Bologna process on higher medical training and degree.

10. Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held in Barcelona on 10th October 2009.

Enclosures:

- (1) 2007 auditors report
- (2) summary of 2007 finances



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Report of internal auditors

We have examined the bank statements and other financial records of UEMS/EBNM for the period from 1.1.2007 to 31.12.2007 on the account in Vienna.

All explanations requested by us were provided by the UEMS/EBNM past treasurer Metka Milcinski and Andreas Andiel.

The structure of the book-keeping is clear and transparent.

We especially acknowledge the point that the country membership fees for all past years have been paid in full for the first time. The income was increased and is expected to grow due to accreditation fees coming from CME Committee, CANMD and ATC Committee.

Our concerns are still the relatively high expenses related to secretarial assistance and homepage maintenance and some more cost demanding Committees in addition to the already transferred Fellowship Committee from EANM to UEMS/EBNM. Therefore, we suggest to increase the budget from EANM from 15.000 € to 25.000 € in 2008.



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UEMS / EBNM accounting 2007 - summary				
1.1.2006 - 31.12.2007				
Class	Subject		IN	OUT
	balance 1.1.2007 on the UEMS/EBNM account		9.267,82 €	
01_EANM_2007	UEMS/EBNM Budget 2007 from EANM		15.000,00 €	
02_B_2007	bank 2007		368,35 €	283,50 €
03_P_2007	postage 2007			29,75 €
04_Gen_2006	general costs [office, etc.] 2007			
05_ExComm_2007	UEMS/EBNM Executive Committee 2007			6.005,43 €
06_HP_2006	Homepage 2006			47,85 €
06_HP_2007	Homepage 2007			4.663,41 €
08_EBNM_fell_2007	UEMS/EBNM Fellowship Committee 2007			4.699,13 €
09_EBNM_fee_2007	EBNM Fellowship Exam fee 2007		3.280,80 €	
10_SYL_2006	Educational & Syllabus Committee 2006			519,68 €
10_SYL_2007	Educational & Syllabus Committee 2007			171,55 €
11_CME_2007	UEMS/EBNM Accreditation of CME Committee 2007			427,50 €
12_ATC_2007	Accreditation of Training Centres Committee 2007		3.150,00 €	37,90 €
13_CANMD_2006	UEMS/EBNM Accred. of Nuclear Medicine Depts. 2006			642,94 €
13_CANMD_2007	UEMS/EBNM Accred. of Nuclear Medicine Depts. 2007		3.342,40 €	9.199,60 €
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2003	member country fees - National Delegates 2003		250,00 €	
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2004	member country fees - National Delegates 2004		250,00 €	
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2005	member country fees - National Delegates 2005		500,00 €	
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2006	member country fees - National Delegates 2006		972,10 €	0,55 €
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2007	member country fees - National Delegates 2007		6.000,00 €	
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2008	member country fees - National Delegates 2008		250,00 €	
14_Mb_Nat_Del_2009	member country fees - National Delegates 2009		250,00 €	
15_VER_2006	honorarium vereint 2006			7.200,00 €
15_VER_2007	honorarium vereint 2007			7.200,00 €
total income 1.1.2007 -31.12.2007			33.613,65 €	
total expenses 1.1.2007 -31.12.2007				41.128,79 €
account balance 1.1.2008			1.752,68 €	
16_deposit_2007	deposit of securities 31.12.2007		20.279,60 €	