

# ACB Scotland Region

## 2011 Annual General Meeting MINUTES

MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2011  
MACDONALD RESORT AVIEMORE

1. Apologies for absence  
*Received from Marianne Barr, Fiona Brandie, Ellie Dow, Joy Johnstone, Susan Knox, Paul Cawood, Jane McNeilly, Kevin Deans, Karen Rankin, Michael Murphy, Bill Boreland, Archie McConnell*
2. Minutes of previous meeting (available on website)  
*Adopted as a true record.*
3. Chairman's report *Dr Simpson tabled his annual report (see Appendix – Website) and thanked Sarah Jarvis and Ian Godber for their assistance in organising the scientific meetings through 2010.*
4. John King award *Dr Simpson was pleased to announce that the 2010 award was won by Dr Fiona Stefanowicz for her talk at the Perth 2010 meeting entitled “Red blood cell selenium, red blood cell and plasma glutathione as markers of nutritional status of selenium”*
5. Report from Specialty Advisor and MDN representative – *Dr Croal reported on both items (see appendix) On the 22<sup>nd</sup> February there was an open meeting and AGM in Edinburgh however attendance may have been limited by communication problems within certain boards. Interviews will take place in mid April for the network manager.*
6. Report from Regional Member on Council *report tabled by Frank Finlay, also available on website(appendix) – the name change is on hold whilst further discussions are ongoing. EurClinChem membership is being promoted as a default addition to membership. Focus is currently making a loss and may be a financial pressure in the future. Members are being made aware of the CP Stewart*
7. Report from Regional Member of Federation of Clinical Scientists *(see Appendix & website for report tabled by Paul Cawood)*
8. Report from Regional Treasurer *Kim Heathcote circulated her report (see Appendix & website). Full accounts and summary provided by KH. KH noted that we had wrongly been invoiced £1500 for a Wales meeting also one of the sponsorship cheques for the Stobhill meeting appeared to be missing*
9. Report from Trainee Committee Members *Fiona Brandie and Jane McNeilly had previously circulated their reports (see Appendix & Website)*
10. Report from Regional Tutor *Jim Allison had previously circulated his report (see Appendix & website). He also tabled a report on the education meeting hosted by Robert Farley. There is a significant risk that with MSC that the MSc course in Guildford may cease in the near future and with changes in Scotland it looks like it will not be feasible to send Scottish trainees in the future*
11. Report from Audit Co-ordinator *Report was received from Miss Karen Smith (see website). The audit committee is looking for a representative from Lothian and also for trainee volunteers to carry out national audits.*
12. Report from Clinical Practice Section *Dr Suzanne Mackenzie had previously circulated her report (see Appendix & – website)*

**13. Membership of Regional Committee**

*Nominations were received for all posts and the following will be put forward to the AGM and were accepted*

*Chair – Dr Anne Pollock to replace Dr Bill Simpson*

*Secretary – Dr Kevin Deans to replace Dr Ian Godber*

*Immunology Representative – Dr Graeme Phimister to take on this vacant role*

*Member Greater Glasgow and Lanarkshire – Dr Karen Rankin to replace Miss Susan Knox*

*Member Tayside and Fife – Dr Michael Murphy to replace Dr Ellie Dow*

*Member Dumfries & Galloway, Argyll & Clyde, Ayrshire & Arran – Dr Julia Anderson to replace Dr Archie McConnell*

*Dr Pollock proposed a vote of thanks to Dr Simpson for his hard work*

**14. Future Scientific Meetings**

*Summer 2011 – No meeting due to 2 day meeting in Edinburgh in the Autumn*

*Autumn 2011 – 2 Day Meeting at Norton House*

*Spring 2011 – Immunology Meeting in Lanarkshire*

**15. AOCB**

none

Appendices available – attached and on website

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