WFPI Executive Committee Meeting, 6th July 2017 (online)

Present: Wendy Lam/WL (President), Gloria Soto/GS, (Past-President), Jaishree Naidoo/JN, (Secretary), Rutger-Jan Nievelstein /RJN (Treasurer), Ines Boechat/IB (Founding President and Co-opted Director), Amanda Dehaye (Past Executive Director, Co-opted Director), Jennifer Boylan/JB (Executive Director, SPR), Kim Pede /KP (Admin)

Absent: Richard Barth/RB (Vice Treasurer), Kimberly Applegate /KA (IG Representative), Cicero Silva/CS (Outreach lead), Brian Coley/BC (Digital education leader), Cristian Garcia (Vice Secretary), Omolola Atalabi (Vice President)

Blue comments = action

1/ Approval of May Minutes

GS: The group unanimously approved the minutes from May.

2/ Welcome New Officers

WL: Wendy welcomed all of the new officers to the meeting and thanked them for their participation.

3/ Review of SPR Vancouver Meeting

IB: Thought that the Saturday session was very interesting. She said it was very difficult to draw a large crowd since the farewell dinner for SPR is on Friday evening and everyone is packing to go home. She felt that the information that was exchanged was very valuable but there was a small turn out in a very large room. GS said that the panelists were happy to meet each other and get to know each other better. GS wonders if there is another way to disseminate the information that was shared at the Saturday mini-symposium.

IB is asking that SPR provide a meeting time during the week for the Nashville meeting in 2018, so that WFPI can receive better attendance.

GS: Spoke about the mapping project and how they received positive comments from attendees. GS feels that the next steps would be to write a paper to submit to the journal.

Action:

IB to follow up with Peter Strouse to see if WFPI can get a meeting time earlier in the SPR week. GS to write a paper on the mapping project and get it submitted for publication.

4/ Review of ESPR Davos Meeting

RJN: Reported that the outreach session was well attended. In addition RJN presented at the General Assembly regarding what WFP accomplished in the past year. ESPR is establishing their own outreach task force. RN is hoping that there will be members of that task force that can work well with WFPI. IB reported that Savvas Andronikou was contacted by ESPR leadership about his interest in working in this committee. He said he would do it, as long as there was interaction with WFPI, as the two organizations have common goals. He was asked to organize the outreach session in Berlin and asked if any WFPI members had suggestions/interest in participate. IB hopes that he will be able to build bridges between the two organizations

GS asked if there were any comments on the mapping poster and RN said that there was an electronic version at the conference and he was unaware of any specific feedback.

5/ Dorothy's Nomination as Co-opted Director

WL: Asked the group's opinion on having Dorothy nominated as a Co-opted Director. IB shared her desire to have Dorothy as a Co-opted Director since Dorothy has been involved with WFPI from the beginning. IB had hoped that Dorothy could represent her at meetings, such as SPR and RSNA, since she is not always able to attend. IB also pointed that DB has important leadership positions within NA organizations that could benefit the WFPI. AD said that the position of Co-opted Director should be used with tremendous care. If everyone who leaves the Board is brought back in as a Co-opted Director there is no healthy turnover. AD also indicated that there would be perception issues and this may attract negative feedback from others. Discussion ensued regarding Dorothy's ability to come back to ExCom in a one year when there will be a Vice President nomination from SPR. JN wondered if there was another position that Dorothy could fill such as support for the education committee. WL thought that Dorothy could support the newsletter development. RJN suggested that there could be a bylaws change to allow for ExCom members to stay more involved. He is wondering if they can keep Dorothy as a Co-opted Director for one year? JB

mentioned that with Image Gently they were very careful to keep their most invested leaders involved for many years until the organization was more established then they could move into a Board rotation. AD read the by-laws and said that the Board can invite anyone they would like to participate in their meetings. The group discussed inviting Dorothy to attend the ExCom Meetings for the next year.

Action:

WL to form a bylaws subcommittee to review the bylaws to determine if any changes are needed. Invite DB to participate as an invited guest in the EXCOM meetings during this year period.

6/ Involving Representative Directors in ExCom Meetings

WL: There wasn't enough time to cover this topic

7/ Formation of MRI protocol working group

WL: Has already touched based with Michael Gee from SPR to write up a basic MRI protocols and Chair this new working group. WL would like the involvement of 2 members of each regional society in the working group (SPR, ESPR, SLARP, AOSPR, AfSPI). GS thinks that this is a good idea to make simple protocols available.

Action:

WL to send email to ask for nominees to this MRI protocol working group.

8/ Addis Ababa Model

IB: Kassa Darge (KD), organized a Pediatric Fellowship program in Addis Ababa, under the auspices of the local University and CHOP; from the beginning, he invited the WFPI to be a sponsor. The program was successful – there is a curriculum posted in the WFPI website for general use, and two pediatric radiologists graduated from the program. One of them is the chief of a Pediatric Radiology section at the Addis Ababa University. The WFPI plans to fund the training of adult radiologists in pediatric radiologists in Africa with a rotation there, for 3 months.

Based on this experience, Raj Krishnamurti, a pediatric radiologists working in the USA, with links to other philanthropic projects, proposed that the WFPI sponsors a training program in India. We can share his emails with the Council. He is

asking for funding, and suggested that the model should include payment to the hosting institution; he knows of donors who would be supportive. Wendy knows the director of the hospital in India and will contact him for more information. Afterwards, the Council can vote on this project, which aims to train radiologists in India.

Action:

WL to touch base with Dr Kushaljit Singh Sodhi from PGIMER, Chandigarh, India (AOSPR Indian representative) and report back later.

9/ SPR Meeting in Nashville

IB: There wasn't enough time to cover this topic

10/ Financial contribution for android app for telereading

CS: There wasn't enough time to cover this topic

11/ Discussion about new TB corner leader

WL: There wasn't enough time to cover this topic

12/ Discussion about new Outreach Leader

CS: There wasn't enough time to cover this topic.

IB : I believe Outreach should be the main topic of the next conference call.

Next EXCOM meeting: Thursday, August 3, 2017

[EXCOM meetings will take place on the first Thursday of every month]