WFPI Executive Committee Meeting, 6th June 2019 (online)

Present: Dorothy Bulas/DB (President), Joanna Kasznia-Brown/JKB (Vice President), Cristian Garcia (Secretary), Richard Barth/RB (Treasurer), Jaishree Naidoo/JN, (Representative Director), Tim Cain/TC, (Representative Director), Martin Stenzel/MS (Representative Director), Ines Boechat/IB (Founding President and Co-opted Director), Amanda Dehaye (Past Executive Director, Co-opted Director), Jennifer Boylan/JB (SPR Staff Liaison), and Kim Pede /KP (Admin)

Absent: Omolola Atalabi/OA (Past President), Sanjay Prabhu/SP (Digital Education Lead), Kushaljit Singh Sodhi/KSS (TB Lead), Hansel Otero/HO(Outreach Lead), Michael Gee/MG (MRI Protocol Lead), Tatiana Fazecas/TF (Vice Treasurer), Gladys Mwangi (Representative Director) Ricardo Faingold/RF (Incoming Outreach Vice Chair), Ram Senasi/RS (Incoming Outreach Vice Chair), and Kimberly Applegate /KA (IG Representative).

Blue comments = action

1/ Approval of minutes from April meeting

DB: April minutes were approved.

2/ Welcome new Board members

DB: Welcomed all who have joined the Board, Representative Directors and Committee Leads.

3/ Discussion regarding day and time for future meetings

DB: Asked if the group would be willing to change the day from the first Thursday of the month to the first Tuesday of the month. Those in attendance seemed willing to change the day.

Action: JB will send out survey to confirm that this change will work for the majority of the group.

4/ Imaging the World Collaboration (ACR-SPR-WFPI)

DB: Stated that this effort began 8 or 9 years ago with the goal of teaching non-medical people to teach. Kristen DeStigter is the President and Founder of Imaging the World. From the Imaging the World Website: “Imaging the World (ITW) integrates low-cost ultrasound programs into remote health care facilities that often lack radiologists and other skilled personnel, not to mention imaging equipment.

Our approach combines point-of-care ultrasound devices, proprietary software, training, supervision, and continuing professional development together with community awareness and funding models that promote self-sufficiency. We also take cultural and political factors into account, as well as healthcare access and other socioeconomic constraints.” She has been able to document success in over 26
outreach areas around Uganda. She has trained personnel to scan pregnant women for placenta previa, Reyes syndrome among other issues. The team is making sure that the families are comfortable with what is being done. Dorothy Bulas (DB) is asking whether we could “bolt on” and do some pediatric imaging in addition to the services that she already provides. Care is often too far away in the central part of the country. To that end, Dorothy Bulas (DB) participated in a conference call with ACR, SPR, ITW and WFPI where the group discussed developing a needs analysis questionnaire.

To begin, someone from WFPI would join Kristen for a week or two in July 2019 so that we can begin fact-finding. Dorothy is suggesting that WFPI could subsidize the cost of the flight and housing. Ines Boechat (IB) agrees as well and that co-operating with other organizations makes a lot of sense.

**Action:** JB will send out survey to the WFPI leadership to determine who may be able to make a trip to Africa in July. We will also ask the Executive Committee to vote on spending up to $2000 to support this project.

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### 5/ Committee Reports Update

- **Outreach Committee – Hansel Otero (HO):** No update as Hansel was unable to attend.
- **MRI Protocol Committee - Michael Gee (MG):** Jennifer Boylan (JB) reported that the protocol documents were just shared with the staff last night. JB will be posting the protocols on the website. She will also be providing links to the vendor sites when those links are provided. This was an initiative that Wendy Lam had during her presidency. Michael Gee did a terrific job pulling this all together.
- **Digital Education Committee - Sanjay Prabhu (SP):** Sanjay was unable to attend the meeting but is asking for the committee members to provide content for the website.
- **TB Committee - Kushaljit Singh Sodhi (KSS):** Dr. Sodhi was unable to attend as well. Dr. Faingold would like to have a subcommittee around Ultrasound education which would include chest and basics that are done in hospitals. He wants to identify a more focused group.

**Action:** DB to follow up with Dr. Faingold to see if he is interested in leading this effort.

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### 6/ Updates on Observerships

- **India**
  - PGIMER, Chandigarh, India (Confirmed for April 1 – June 30, 2019) – Dr. Anitha Kin started the observership on April 1st and Dr. Sodhi reported that things were going smoothly at the last Board meeting.
- **South America**
  - Hospital de Pediatria – Garrahan, Argentine Republic (September 2019)
  - No applications were received by the original deadline.
• The deadline has been extended from July to September. We asked that the observership be promoted locally.
  • The observership will be promoted at the SLARP meeting in Argentina.

  • Asia-Oceania
    • St. Luke’s Medical Center, Manila Philippines (August 2019)
    • Dr. Laya indicated that his hospital has approved the observership.

  • Middle East
    • American University Beirut (Haven’t received any updates)
    • Joanna Brown asked about the status of the Middle East programs and updated the group on what she knew:
      • The American University in Beirut – she has been reaching out to them, but they have been slow to respond. There isn’t a pediatric hospital, however, the University is well-equipped. They have a 5-year education program and 3-4 pediatric radiologists on staff.
      • Ines offered a warm welcome to Joanna in appreciation of her willingness support this work.
    • Joanna is recommending Orange country in Lebanon for next year. There is a radiologist from Orange county (she was at the SPR meeting) who might be going to Beirut – Ines will work to locate her name in her files.

  • Dorothy Bulas asked Joanna to share her recent trip to Romania.
    • Joanna will participate in an ESPR meeting that will have a pediatric imaging course for general radiologists in Romania in her Outreach chair role for ESPR. The hands-on course is limited to 75 people. Hope to be able to repeat this course in other countries. There is interest in four courses in four different countries.

  • Dorothy Bulas stated that she believed that WFPI should host 4 observerships per year.
    • Dorothy asked if Jaishree Naidoo if the Nelson Mandela Hospital would host another observership? Jaishree said that the observership would have to be shared by 2 hospitals (Red Cross or Johannesburg) and offered to oversee the observership. She thought it would take some planning so WFPI should consider 2021 for the next one there. She is willing to get the extensive required paperwork started.

  • Any other sites?
    • Ines Boechat sent a letter to Dolores in Brazil. There is a SLARP meeting in Cordoba in June. Hopefully, she will be able discuss with Jose Lipsch and other radiologists an opportunity there.

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**7/WFPI at SPR Meeting**

**DB:** Dorothy said the sessions went really well. During the Sunrise session, Jaishree’s AI session was well received. They are using AI for TB and Pneumonia. They want to collaborate with Matt Lundgren, from Stanford, who has a TB pilot project in Johannesburg. It was suggested that we can test the pilot on the WFPI platform.

• WFPI Sunrise Session (May 2\textsuperscript{nd} from 7:00 am – 8:20 am)
● Pediatric Radiology Education & Innovation in China
● Innovation in Africa using Artificial Intelligence as sustainable solution for Healthcare
● Challenges of Ensuring Radiation Safety in Low Resource Settings
● Update in WFPI Fellowship Initiatives
● Innovative Outreach Initiatives – Top 5 Recommendations
  ● Rwanda Experience
  ● Mozambique Experience
  ● Tanzania Experience
● Breakfast Get Together (May 3rd in Continental 1, 7:00 am – 8:20 am)
  ● Great meeting – need to continue this for next year.

8/Newsletter Articles

KP: Outlined the following ideas for articles in the June newsletter.

● Special Thanks to teleradiology team – from Cicero
● Promote upcoming SASPI meeting February 5-9, 2020
● Articles from SPR Meeting
● Picture of WFPI Observership recipient Dr. Anitha Kini and the Pediatric Radiology Team at PGIMER
● Article from Anitha Kini
● Any other articles? Maybe a report from the SLARP meeting in Cordoba – Tatiana Fazecas?
● Atalabi and Sodhi’s SPR honorary membership (already in previous newsletter)

7/ Any other business

● ESPR - had a great outreach program - 2 hours of clinical sessions where tropical infections were covered. Hansel Otero made a good presentation that was well received. Tim Cain and George Taylor were there for the lunch program. The next ESPR meeting is in Marseille, France on June 5th, 2020.
● Anything planned at SLARP this month? Ines reported that nothing formal is planned but she will make a presentation about WFPI. She will promote the Observership.
● AOSPR Korea – Dorothy was invited - Joanna has been invited to conduct a round table. WFPI will be well represented.
● SASPI – will take place in February 2020. Jaishree said there is a program over 4 days. So far, we know:
  ○ Joanna is organizing a day on radiation protection.
  ○ Sanjay and Joanna will be there.
  ○ WFPI has a 15 min spot - Jaishree is using the WFPI logo in the SASPI address – there will be 4 WFPI representatives there.
  ○ Jaishree asked what they can bring?
● Dorothy shared with the group that her focus for this year is to solidify the finances to be sure that what the organization is doing is sustainable financially. She wants to think of
ways in which additional money can be raised. She doesn’t want to lose momentum. The more money that WFPI has, the more outreach that can be done. She is also interested in learning about other initiatives like AI. Dorothy suggests we consider other initiatives to “bolt on” to.

Next EXCOM meeting:

Thursday, 8/1/19 – 8:00 am – 9:00 am (CST)

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