

FACULTY OF SPORT AND EXERCISE MEDICINE (UK)

Minutes of the Council Meeting Held On 19th May 2009 at the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries, Apothecaries Hall, Blackfriars, Blackfriars Lane, London.

PRESENT:

**Prof Charles Galasko
Prof Mark Batt
Dr Rod Jaques
Dr Victor Cassar-Pullicino
Prof Angus Wallace
Prof David Sowden
Dr Andy Wakeman
Dr Thomas Beattie
Prof Stewart Hillis**

**Dr Christopher Brookes
Prof Michael Cullen**

**Prof John Fairclough
Dr Richard Seah
Mr Michael Allen
Dr Philip Carolan
Prof David Patterson
Dr John Jenner
Dr Les Odiseng
Dr Simon Till
Dr Ian McDermott
Dr Ian Beasley**

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IN ATTENDANCE:

**Mrs Yvonne Gilbert
Ms Rita Capaldi**

**FSEM (UK)
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1. APOLOGIES:

**Prof Peter Helms
Mr Jim Foster
Dr Richard Budgett
Lt. Col. John Etherington**

**HON. TREASURER
Lay Representative
Elected Member
Royal College of Physicians of London**

- 2.** Prof Galasko welcomed Dr Andy Wakeman, representative for the Faculty of Public Health to his first meeting of the FSEM (UK) Council.
- 3. Minutes:** Minutes of Meeting held on 31st March 2009 were accepted as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

- a. **Exercise for Life:** Prof Batt informed that The Exercise for Life project is supervised by a committee of the Royal College of Physicians of London. RCPL suggest providing a tool for Risk Strategy and Exercise Prescription. It is suggested that the way forward would be an online instalment which would enable users to risk stratify. This would be part of an integrated care pathway. Prof Batt had attended a meeting with members of the DH prior to the Council Meeting and said that he felt that the Department have a view on the way to proceed and he is not sure if they wish to listen to the views of the Faculty which he feels would add strength to the project.

It was asked whether Carol Black's Department had been informed of this. Prof Batt said that she had not been specifically included up to this time but that he would contact her. **Action: Prof Mark Batt**

Dr Andy Wakeman advised that a risk assessment package is being rolled out from 1st April and he thought that this package may be useful for Exercise for Life. Prof Batt and Dr Wakeman are to discuss this.

Action: Prof Batt & Dr Wakeman

Dr Beattie enquired whether there has been consultation with the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health. Prof Batt said that they may need to produce a Child/Adult project.

- b. **Relicensing and Revalidation:** Dr Jaques advised that Licence to Practice will begin this August and asked how this will fit with the Faculty's Fellows and Members.

Dr Mike Allen recently attended a conference on Revalidation and reported He felt that the system was in a state of flux and that he is unsure what will happen with independent practitioners. He advised that every doctor is to have a Responsible Officer (RO) allocated no matter where he is based and the RO will oversee his appraisal and report back to the GMC. Dr Allen thought that the RO will probably be a Medical Director. The RO will be a GMC affiliate and he will liaise with the GMC and GPwSI, GP Registrars and Specialist Registrars.

Prof Galasko advised Council that he had written to the GMC after the last Council Meeting asking whether the Faculty should try to provide a RO. He received a reply saying

"We understand the intention is that all doctors practising in England will have a Responsible Officer. However, it is not yet fully clear how these will be organised or provided outside the NHS. The Department is currently developing proposals in this area and has indicated that It will be consulting on these shortly". "We envisage that a list of all responsible officers will be held centrally by the GMC, and, in cases of doubt, it may be possible for the responsible officer to be identified from that list."

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Humanresourcesandtraining/Modernisingprofessionalregulation/ProfessionalRegulationsandPatientSafetyProgramme/TacklingConcernsLocally/ResponsibleOfficers/FAQ/DH084876>

Prof Batt said that what is absolutely clear is that appraisal will no longer be appraisal it will turn into assessment and assessment will go to the RO. He felt that it would be a huge problem for many SEM practitioners. It was discussed by Council who felt that the Faculty should not undertake the role of Responsible Officer. The target date to get this up and running is 8th October 2010.

Dr Ian McDermott advised that the Independent Health Advisory Service (IHAS) received funding from consumers and they are a very commercial body trying to redefine appraisal documents. He said he would contact the GMC Committee and suggested joining with the Federation of Independent Practitioners to try and influence a process probably through the Academy route.

- c. **Safety in Football:** Prof Hillis explained the situation regarding substitution in football. He advised that there is a dilemma regarding a player who has been substituted who had received a yellow card for a disciplinary offence. If the substitute then received a yellow card would this be deemed as a red card for the substituted player and he would therefore not be allowed to return to play. Prof Hillis said that UEFA have misgivings about this. It was thought that if substitution was allowed for blood injuries should it be allowed for any injury. Prof Hillis said that he would send this round the Home Nations and see if we get any further.

Action: Prof Hillis

- d. **Undergraduate Committee:** Prof Hillis reported that he had held a telephone conference with students from Sports Medicine Courses from London and Glasgow and other student groups. He has carried out a survey within the UK and very few Medical Schools follow Sport and Exercise Medicine. He said he had sent out to all Medical School Deans and Medical Education Groups stressing that Sport and Exercise Medicine is a Medical Specialty and advising that there are existing courses and as a Faculty we would like to assist setting things up. Prof Hillis suggests waiting to see if we can link with BASEM before taking this further.
- e. **Professional Code:** Prof Fairclough has drawn up a draft Professional Code document. He advised that the section on Conflict of Interest which he has included in italics was written with the help of a legal friend however he would appreciate an input from Council. He advised that he would also like input on section 4.3. He felt he was out of his depth regarding dietary regimes and he asked if someone could help with this section.

Prof Galasko advised that no details of medication should be included. Prof Galasko wrote to the GMC on 14th May 2009 regarding conflict of interest

between clubs and sportspersons. Prof Galasko will pass a copy of the letter to Prof Fairclough. **Action: Prof Galasko**

Prof Galasko said that he thought this is an excellent document but that it should include something on exercise medicine.

Dr Jaques asked if the document will be published on the Faculty website and Prof Fairclough said that this was the intention. Dr Jaques has said that he will take a look at the document. Prof Wallace suggested that Prof Fairclough marks the document as Version 1 and dates it before it is put on the website.

- f. Legal Issues in Sport and Exercise Medicine:** Dr Jaques has spoken with the Medical and Legal Training Services and advised that they are willing to assist us in the organisation of hosting a day on SEM Medical and Legal Issues. Prof Fairclough has been developing a programme for this and has suggested running it in Cardiff possibly in September. Prof Fairclough thinks it should be a one day inductive course and should cost around £150. He has said he will contact the MDU and other groups to get an up date on their policies. It was felt by Council that a speaker from a particular group would give the view of that group and that the Faculty would prefer to have an update on all three groups. Prof Fairclough asked whether we should go ahead with this and whether we should ask for the assistance of the Medical and Legal Training Services. It was felt that if we were to go ahead it should be left until early next year probably late January and that it should be run by the Education Committee of BASEM/FSEM. It was also questioned who would be underwriting this meeting would it be the Medical Legal Services group? Dr Jaques said that he would take this query back to them. **Action: Dr Jaques**

- g. FSEM/BASEM Working Party:** After the Joint Meeting of the FSEM/BASEM working Party held in April, Dr Pullicino produced a Memorandum of Understanding which has received positive feedback from both groups. Prof Galasko suggested one change to this document and that is that the Chair and Vice-Chair should alternate between both groups. If there should be a Chair from BASEM in the first instance the Vice-Chair should be from FSEM and at the end of the term for the Chair the new Chair should be from FSEM and the Vice Chair from BASEM.

It was suggested that the expenses should be distributed as follows.

The Faculty would be responsible for the secretarial support for the Committee Meetings.

The faculty would pay the expenses of its Committee Members; BASEM would pay the expenses of its Committee Members.

BASEM would take the responsibility of organising and funding Educational Courses.

The BASEM Board was to meet the week after the joint FSEM/BASEM meeting and to report back to FSEM their thoughts but no comments have been received to date. Yvonne is to chase up response from BASEM.

Action: Yvonne

Prof Hillis asked whether the Faculty would be responsible for recording the CPD of its Fellows and Members or whether this could be done on one of the Colleges websites. It was suggested that Dr Till check whether this could be recorded with RCPL. Prof Wallace said that he thought that the Faculty should be thinking of documenting CPD for their Fellows and Member on their own website and suggested discussing this possibility with the Web team.

Action: Yvonne

- h. Untoward Incident Report:** Dr Jaques reported that the untoward incident reports were being sent out to doctors with their appraisal documents and thanked Rita for her help with this. Dr Jaques advised that those received back were anonymised and were mostly at the mild end of the spectrum. He has requested that a panel of three people look at the case reports to see where the weak points are and present their views. None of these reports have resulted in legal action being taken.
- i. RCR/FSEM Fellows:** Dr Pullicino reported that he had received correspondence from a Radiologist who is a member of the Faculty enquiring about the process whereby a member can apply for consideration for Fellowship of the Faculty. Prof Galasko advised that to become a Fellow of the Faculty the Member had to achieve the equivalent of being on the specialist register for SEM or the applicant to have made a considerable contribution to SEM. A member with >5 years experience in SEM who has been nominated by two fellows can apply for Fellowship and the application would be considered by the Nominations Committee.

Prof Wallace pointed out changes taking place which are presently on the GMC website regarding double registration and advised the Faculty to keep an open mind on that.

- j. PMETB/CESR:** Prof Cullen advised that he had attended a PMETB Certification meeting on 23rd April to gain an insight into their processes of assessing CESR applications. There was a Chair, five medical and two lay members. None of them were specifically experts of the cases presented. Their views were slightly different from how we have been instructed by JRCPTB and the panel appeared to take a more generalised view of applications. Prof Cullen said that this was an interesting process. He advised that he will have a face to face meeting along with JRCPTB at the PMETB office on 30th June. JRCPTB have been extremely rigorous in their interpretation of the regulations, whereas the PMETB panel took a more general view. Prof Cullen said that he is not thinking of diluting the process

but hopes they will come to a realistic understanding with PMETB. He reported that 5 CESR candidates had been successful so far. Prof Cullen advised that after the meeting on 30th June they would revisit the Specialty Specific Guidance which is presently on the website.

Prof Galasko said that the Faculty had been thinking of holding a meeting on Article 14 but wondered if we should wait until we know the outcome of the meeting with PMETB. It was felt that we should wait until our July Council meeting and reconsider whether we have a meeting on PMETB/Article 14 which may be incorporated into the AGM. It was felt that after the meeting on 30th June we would need something to circulate to our Members and Fellows.

- k. Dance Medicine:** Dr Seah advised that he had met with Helen Law of Dance Medicine and he would prepare a report for the next Council Meeting.
Action: Dr Seah

- l. Consultant Job Plans:** Both Prof Galasko and Prof Batt said that the Consultants Job plans produced by Dr Seah were excellent and it was put to Council what to do with the document. Prof Sowden said that it would be useful to know at what point this will become a Faculty document as this is what the DH are looking for. He feels that this is a very useful document although he is aware that it is confidential at the moment. Can Council get any comments they may have on this document to Dr Seah by next week so that the Faculty can remove the “Confidential” status and get the document into play. Prof Cullen pointed out that undergraduate trainees as well as post graduate trainees would be eligible also doctors doing coupled training. It was pointed out that some parts were slightly repetitions and that it would be better to try to reduce this. It was felt that once the document was finalised it should be sent to the DH and to Directors in PCTs particularly those related to Vascular Risk Assessments. It was discussed whether it should be sent to every PCT but it was felt that it should be sent to someone specific at the PCT or Strategic Health Authority. Prof Sowden suggested that the Faculty get the document tabled at the “People Matters Executive Group” meetings particularly if one or two Faculty members could be there to present the document. It was agreed that Dr Seah, Prof Sowden and Prof Batt will look at the document with a view to getting it distributed as Version 1 June 2009.

Action: Dr Seah, Prof Sowden and Prof Batt

Dr Seah asked if it would be possible for people to suggest one or two aspirations for this job plan such as the importance of SEM in improving health. Dr Wakeman said that he will also take a look at this document and send his comments to Dr Seah.
Action: Dr Wakeman

- m. BMA document in SEM:** Prof Galasko wrote to the BMA regarding their information resource document on doctors providing medical care at sporting events requesting that they include the Faculty when gathering information for such documentation. They have responded advising that they will involve the Faculty in future work relevant to the interests of our

Fellows and Members on the understanding that we observe their embargo policy.

- n. **ECOSEP:** ECOSEP have appointed Dr John King as their local representative on the Faculty Council. Dr King will be invited to Council Meetings which concern ECOSEP.

5. **PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

- A. **Strategic Plan:** At the last Council Meeting Prof Galasko asked the Chairperson of each group from the Strategic Planning Meeting to send in their report on the way forward. Nothing has been received. Prof Galasko asked that this be taken seriously and again requested everyone to forward their report.

Action: Strategic Planning Group Chairpersons

- B. **Nominations Committee Chairman:** Dr Charlotte Cowie has agreed to accept the position of Chairperson of the Nominations Committee.

C. **Diploma Day/Dinner 2009:**

- There has been no reply from HRH as yet however if she is unable to attend we will need an after dinner speaker and Prof Galasko asked Council for suggestions. **Action: All**
- Prof Galasko asked Council if they had any suggestions for Honorary Fellows of the Faculty. **Action: All**
- Prof Galasko asked whether speakers and their guests at the Update Course should be asked to pay for the Faculty Dinner. It was agreed that they should not be asked to pay.

- D. **Council Elections:** Prof Batt advised that he has been asked to endorse Nominations for Election to Council but he felt that the incoming President should not be seen to favour anyone for election. This was agreed.

- E. **FSEM Administrator:** Prof Galasko advised Council that Rita Capaldi had been upgraded to Administrator.

- F. **Regional Representation:** There have been a number of responses for these positions it was felt that a Representative and a deputy should be elected for each region (10 Strategic Health Authorities). We will require having an election by Fellows and Members in their region. The role of the representative is to represent the Faculty in their region and to discuss locally the developments of Sport and Exercise Medicine. It was felt that this would be a key position within the Faculty. Prof Galasko has agreed to produce a job description for these posts. The Faculty will be responsible for the costs of these posts.

Action: Prof Galasko

- G. Dr Paul Mackenzie:** Prof Galasko reported that Dr Mackenzie a Fellow of the Faculty will turn 90 at the end of July 2009 and advised Council that he has forwarded congratulations to Dr Mackenzie on behalf of the Faculty.
- H. Attendance at Council Meetings:** Prof Galasko wrote to Members of Council that had not attended three consecutive meetings enquiring as to the reason. He has received a reply from some members but is unsure if this task is of any value. It has been agreed by Council that attendance should be posted on the website allowing Fellows and Members to see whether they are being properly represented by their Elected Members.
- I. Surgeons News:** There were a number of SEM articles in the recent issue of Surgeons News and copies were forwarded to Council Members.
- J. Associate Membership:** Prof Galasko has produced a document (Paper 5) on Associate Membership and advised that if the Faculty wish to proceed with this it will require to be discussed at the next Faculty AGM. There is already a category of Associate Membership in place for trainees in SEM who have not yet passed the Diploma in SEM. It was felt that Council Members are happy with the category of Associate Membership for trainees in SEM but that they do not wish to proceed with this category for other medical practitioners.

Benefits of Associate Membership:

- Critical incidents
- Detail of meetings
- Can Associate Members vote for election to Council - No
- Can Associate Members apply for appraisal - Yes

- K. Lord Addington:** Prof Galasko advised the he and Prof Batt met with Lord Addington who is supportive of the specialty and has been very active in the Lords on our behalf. Lord Addington has advised that every week on the net the House of Lords and the House of Commons each issue a list of the items to be raised in the coming week and suggested we target someone in the Faculty to check on the list and if a subject comes up that is relevant to prepare a question to keep the profile going. This will need to be done on a weekly basis. Dr Beasley volunteered for this task. Dr Jaques said that he would see if EIS would be able to help with the data crunching of this task for Dr Beasley.

Action: Dr Beasley and Dr Jaques

L. FSEM Diploma Examination: Prof Galasko advised Council that there are 25 candidates due to sit the Part 2 FSEM Diploma Examination tomorrow.

M. Prof Sowden advised that money has been made available subject to a SEM job plan and he has requested that the plan is finalised as soon as possible. Prof Cullen advised that the North East Deanery advertised 4 posts in the BMJ last weekend. Prof Batt said that the Department will fund 5 x 10 posts. He said that the deaneries know that the MPET levy is available and that they should be using this money from August as long as part is taken up by February 2010. Prof Galasko asked as all the Strategic Health Authorities have funding in place whether it is now time to write to the SHAs asking them to consider consultant posts for those people in postgraduate medical education training. Prof Sowden will deal with this.

Action: Prof Sowden

Prof Galasko requested updated information on all the training programmes. Prof Cullen advised that the list we already have is the current list and this would be updated in September.

It was pointed out that if the five pots of funding was not allocated in the current financial year (31 March 2010) we will only get funding in the future for the allocations which have been taken up.

Elite Sports: Prof Cullen advised of concerns regarding a new application from a particular region. He said there is difficulty for all trainees to get exposure to elite sports and said that he thought that we would struggle to get the anticipated increase in trainee numbers adequate experience in this area. Everyone involved in trainee supervision must have been through a Training the Trainers Course and that the Faculty and the EIS may need to take joint responsibility for this as many of our training opportunities fall outside the NHS. Prof Sowden advised that we are responsible to deliver the curriculum and that we need to find a way of resolving this. He is not sure that this can be a department expense. We cannot expect all trainees to have knowledge in all sports. Prof Hillis asked if there is an age group that become elite. Elite is playing at international level. It was agreed that Prof Sowden could use the Draft Job Plan when meeting with the Department but he must point out that it is a **Confidential Draft** document.

Action: Prof Sowden

6. Appraisal and Appeals Committee Report: Prof Wallace advised that as it had been agreed at the last Council Meeting that doctors wishing to have a Faculty Appraisal must be a Member or Fellow of the Faculty he will produce a statement to this effect which will be included on the Faculty Website. He advised that there

are currently 25 doctors undertaking Faculty SEM Appraisal. Prof Wallace thanked Dr Jaques for his assistance in vetting the appraisal documents.

Prof Galasko asked whether Rita and Yvonne's time had been taken into consideration when costing for appraisals. Prof Wallace said that he would re-look at the administrative costing for appraisals. **Action: Prof Wallace**

7. **Hon. Secretary's Report:** Dr Pullicino reminded all Committee Chairperson that their newsletter contribution should be submitted by **31st August 2009**.
8. **Education Committee Report:** Prof Hillis advised that he had held some educational meetings with some groups with no cost to the Faculty. The programme for the meeting being held on 10th September has been circulated to Fellows and Members. There has been no money for meetings and Prof Hillis has said that he is waiting on the outcome of the meeting regarding the FSEM/BASEM education link which should allow us to get onto a new level.
9. **Examinations Committee:** Dr Beattie advised Council that they would be running the first exam under the new regulations tomorrow 20th May. He advised that the written part which took place on 6th April was a great success Dr Beattie said that this success was due in no small part to Dr Jane Dunbar, Shona Watt and Mrs Jan McNeill, RCSEd Examinations Department. He also said he wished to thank those who helped at the training day. Dr Beattie said that he has been in contact with Dr Hettie Till the Psychometrician based at the Edinburgh College and would like to purchase her services. He felt that we should have at least one training day with Dr Till. Prof Galasko advised that Prof Helms has agreed to a one time training day with Dr Till in the first instance.

Dr Beattie advised Council that the second part of the exam is extremely labour intensive and relies on at least 13 people giving up a substantial part of their day. He said that they could accommodate up to 32 candidates but that they would be struggling for space with this number of people at the Apothecaries.

Dr Beattie said that he is looking forward to the exam tomorrow and that it would be interesting to see how the new programme runs. The next exam will be held in Edinburgh. He asked Council if anyone had questions they could send in and said this would be very helpful to maintain the diversity of the exam. Dr Beattie said that he is concerned about how the exam fits into the current training structure.

Dr Beattie said that we would have to look at the exact costing of the exam. Prof Galasko said that the cost of the exam will be discussed later in the Agenda. He advised however that the costs have been rearranged so that people who fail the Cardiopulmonary resuscitation section of the exam will only be required to resit this section of the exam. It had been agreed at a previous meeting that the charge for this would be £75 however both Prof Helms and Mr Jim Foster have been looking at the exam costs and have said that to cover cost the fee for re-sitting the this section of the exam should be £100 and Prof Galasko asked council for their consent. This was agreed.

Prof Galasko advised Council that the exam has been running at a loss for many years and it was previously agreed to increase the exam by £50 for part 1 and £50 for part 2 until the exam became cost neutral. However Prof Helms and Mr Foster have been assessing the costing of the exam and they have suggested that the Faculty increase the cost of the exam by £100 for each part of the exam and that this increase should continue until the exam is cost neutral. Council agreed this increase. It was pointed out that the exam is more expensive to run in London than Edinburgh. Prof Wallace advised that Trauma and Orthopaedic exam is no longer held in London because it is too expensive.

10. External Affairs Committee Report: given earlier under Professional Code.

11. Finance Committee Report: Paper 6 was produced by Prof Helms. The only income the Faculty have is the subs and the examination fees. The examination currently runs at a loss. It is proposed to increase the subscription fees to £300.00 for Fellows and £240.00 for Members with a 5% discount for both Fellows and Members fees when arranged to make payment by Direct Debit. Prof Helms will announce this increase at the AGM.

12. Nominations Committee: Prof Galasko advised that Dr Charlotte Cowie had agreed to Chair this Committee and Dr Michael Allen is Vice-Chair. Prof Galasko asked Dr Simon Till if he would also join this committee. Dr Till Agreed. Prof Galasko advised that there had been some confusion between the requirements for writing the Diploma Exam and becoming a Member of the Faculty. The exam should be taken by trainees at ST4 and they will need three years of training to write the exam. It was agreed that this should **not** be a membership exam. The Faculty were advised that if it were a membership exam, membership would not be something that the Faculty could take away from someone who is not in good standing. Yvonne will advise Dr Cowie that Dr Till is joining the Nominations Committee.

Action: Yvonne

13. Training Committee Report: Prof Cullen advised that the Minutes of the last SAC meeting were not yet available due to administrative problems at JRCPTB. Curriculum review is to be carried out by September 2009 and to be submitted to PMETB in October 2009. Prof Cullen said there will be a meeting with PMETB at the beginning of December to clarify any issues with the curriculum and approval at that time.

Prof Cullen has a working party who is working on Curriculum amendments. They will be meeting on 16th June and has advised that there is a significant amount of work to be done and a new version of the curriculum should be ready at the beginning of next year.

14. Report from Lead Dean: Already covered.

15. Irish Faculty Report: Dr Carolan reported that due to the credit crunch they are struggling badly to get the new training scheme in place. It is hoped that there may be something in place by August.

They will be holding their Scientific Conference and Conferring Ceremony in September and their Honorary Fellows will be Dr John King and Prof Barry Bresnihan.

Dr Carolan advised the Irish Faculty had written to the MDU but that they had not replied as the Dean is not a member. He has said that the Fellows and Members of the Irish Faculty will attend meetings in the UK as they cannot get information in Ireland. He said that they have contacted their own commission but that they have nothing on medical legal aspects.

16. Trainees Report: Already dealt with.

17. Any Other Business

(a) GMC –International Medical Graduates: Dr Jaques reported on the IMG's applying to the Faculty as part of their specialist training in the UK. In 2007 Dr Jaques was tasked to complete an application document to the GMC which lists the Faculty as a participating group for accepting International Medical Graduates. Dr Jaques feels that we should withdraw from this scheme. The Faculty would be required to vet the references of any applicants, look at their certificates of work in this country and act as mentors while the graduates are here. If they have financial difficulties we would possibly be in the firing line as we are responsible for vetting them.

We would require a committee of three people from Council to assist with this. Dr Jaques does not think we have the infrastructure to support this programme.

Dr Jaques feels that Faculty have a duty to their own young graduates at this time but thought this should be debated at Council.

Prof Batt said that he is supportive of Dr Jaques stance on this and said that he felt that our training posts should be for our trainees and that we are not able to offer any of our training posts to IMGs at this time.

The overview is that we are currently stating we are not in a position to take IMGs.

Action: Prof Galasko

(b) HSC Launch: Prof Galasko said that he had received an invitation to the launch of the HSC 2007 report – No one on Council is available to attend..

(c) SportPROMOTE Course Glasgow: The Faculty received a request from the organiser of the SportPROMOTE Course to use the Faculty logo on their programme. It was agreed by Council that the logo should not be used on any Course Programmes unless the Faculty is involved in drawing up the programme. It was agreed that the Faculty need a statement on our website to that effect. Prof Galasko said we should write to the organiser to explain and advise him that the Faculty are producing a list of courses on which we can advertise their course if they wish.

Action: Yvonne

(d) **Glasgow Commonwealth Games:** Prof Hillis advised Council that the Glasgow Commonwealth Games Committee have said they would like to put on a meeting with the Faculty for 2014. This was agreed.

(f) **Doc2doc:** Prof Batt asked Council Members their views on the Doc2doc document which had been forwarded to them at the beginning of the year. Prof Batt has suggested asking Tom Nolan to give a presentation on this site prior to the next Council Meeting. If Council are agreeable Prof Batt will pursue this and arrange a demonstration at 10am preceding the next council meeting on 10th July which will start at 10.30. It was thought that Prof Batt should also ask some of the SEM trainees to join the presentation from 10.00 to 10.30am. It was felt that if the Faculty were to proceed with this forum for doctors interested in SEM that we would need a webmaster to oversee it successfully. It was felt that the Faculty should explore this cautiously.

Action: Prof Batt

<http://doc2doc.bmj.com/forums.html?slPage=overview&slGroupKey=962c8cec-f3d7-4efb-a935-589ed4d7ae84&slAcceptInvitation=false>

(g) There was an error on the Agenda regarding the date of next meeting which should read 10.30am on **10th July 2009**.

18. Dates of next Meetings

10.30am, 10th July 2009 at the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries, London.

9.30am, 11 September 2009 at the Royal College of Physicians of London.