

Minutes of the 4th Annual General Meeting of the Society of Colorectal Surgeons of Singapore (SCRS)

Venue: Training Centre, Changi General Hospital
Date: 19 Aug 2006
Time: 3.15 – 4.30pm
Present: Full members 11 Associate members 4
 Goh Hak Su Lai Jiunn Herng
 Seow Choen Julian Ong Kian Peng
 Eu Kong Weng Tan Kok Yang
 Teoh Tiong Ann Kam Ming Hian
 Tang Choon Leong
 Charles Tsang
 Richard Sim
 Dean Koh
 Ng Chin
 Lim Jit Fong
 Ho Kok Sun

Agenda: Welcome address by PSCRS and launch of official website
 Presentation of Society ties to members
 Minutes of 3rd AGM
 Annual Report 2005-2006
 Financial Report 2005-2006
 Honorary membership
 Techniques in Coloproctology as SCRS official publication
 Election of Executive Committee 2006-7

		Action
1	Lunch and social interaction 1 – 2pm	
2	Quarterly Grand Round 2 – 3pm Case presentations and round-table discussion	
3	AGM called to order by Dr Seow-Choen at 3.15pm Dr Seow welcomed members and launched the Society website www.scrs.org.sg Members will receive their userid and login password, with usage rules and instructions shortly. Ties were presented to members who were present. Members not present may purchase the tie at \$40 from the Treasurer.	D Koh All to note
4	Minutes of the 3 rd AGM held on 29 Oct 2005 were read and passed (Proposer: Seow-Choen; Seconder: Eu KW). Seow-Choen informed members that ROS has reminded the Society that our AGMs have to be held in Aug as stipulated in our Constitution. Eu KW enquired about the status of the Society's effort in getting the specialty recognised by the Academy. Seow-Choen replied that	Executive Committee

	<p>the Society should continue to consolidate its good standing in order to make headway and promised to write to the College of Surgeons and Academy of Medicine in due course.</p>	
5	Annual Report 2005-6 by Secretary (attached)	
a.	<p>The Society has to date 33 Full Members, 14 Associate Members, 3 Affiliate Members and 1 Honorary Member. Teoh TA reiterated his proposal for the category of Founding Members (Full Members at the time of the 1st AGM) to be reflected in the certificates of membership.</p>	Committee to decide
b.	<p>Amendment of Constitution and Society Logo The amendments to the Constitution were passed at an EOGM on 7 Jan 2006 and subsequently approved by the Registry of Societies (ROS) on 20 Mar 2006. The society logo was approved by ROS on 21 Feb 2006.</p>	
c.	<p>Events organised Quarterly Grand Rounds – the backbone of our Society activities Oct 2005 – TTSH Jan 2006 - NUH Mar 2006 – SGH Jul 2006 – Mt Elizabeth Aug 2006- CGH</p>	
d.	<p>Dinner with Dr Bruce Wolff 15 Jan 2006</p> <p>Talk by Professor Henry T. Lynch 17th Jan 2006 EVOLVING CONCEPTS OF COLORECTAL CANCER GENETICS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Talk by Dr Myint 18th Jan 2006 RADIOTHERAPY FOR RECTAL CANCER</p>	
e.	<p>Approval by SMC as CME provider The Society was approved by SMC as a CME provider on 23 Mar 2006 and went on to sponsor the following events: Seow-Choen 12 Apr 2006 Fibre and colorectal disease - fact or fad? Seow-Choen 17 Aug 2006 Management of Desmoid Tumours in FAP Members were encouraged to involve the Society in any CME talks they engage in.</p>	All to note
f.	<p>Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month (CCAM) The Society joined Singapore Cancer Society as a co-sponsor of CCAM 2006 for the first time and will continue to do so in future. Members may be called upon to give public talks.</p>	All to note

6	<p>Financial Report 2005-6 by Treasurer (attached) Opening balance \$84 428 transferred from closure of ISUCRS account. Closing balance on 31 May 2006 \$84 074. Treasurer moved a vote of thanks to Dr Goh HS and Dr Ho YH for their help in the ISUCRS to SCRS transfer, which was supported by members. Teoh TA advised that there should not be wastage of printed letterheads when the Committee changes from year to year.</p>	Executive Committee																
7	<p>Honorary Membership Prof Zhou Zong Guang, China – Jul 2006, retrospectively approved Prof Steve Wexner, USA – Jan 2007, approved Prof Stanley Goldberg – Mar 2007, approved Eu KW commented that though the criteria for Honorary Membership was laid out in the Constitution, they should only be conferred on those individuals who contribute to the Society e.g. presenting at joint meetings, and never in absentia. Teoh TA suggested that the CVs of proposed Honorary Members be presented at the AGM for members’ consideration and due approval.</p>	Executive Committee																
8	<p>Official Society Journal President informed members that he is currently negotiating to have Techniques in Coloproctology as our official journal. The cost of 135 Euros per each of our 33 Full Members will be supported by industry sponsorship. Members gave approval for the continued negotiation.</p>																	
9	<p>Vote of thanks to the Committee 2005-6 proposed by Teoh TA was supported. Vote of thanks to Ms Lim Boon Theng for legal advice proposed by President was supported.</p>																	
10	<p>Letters to the press Teoh TA opined that in the spirit of fostering friendship among members (which is one of the Society’s objectives) and giving the lay public a clear message, a conjoint statement to the press may be preferable to separate letters by members when there are important public health issues being discussed.</p>																	
11	<p>Election of Executive Committee for 2006-2007 Nominations were closed without voting required that resulted in the re-election of the Committee except the Treasurer (as required by the Constitution):</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="194 1765 1104 2020"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Candidate</th> <th>Proposer</th> <th>Seconder</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>President</td> <td>Seow Choan</td> <td>Teoh TA</td> <td>C Tsang</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td> <td>Richard Sim</td> <td>Tang CL</td> <td>D Koh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>Ho Kok Sun</td> <td>Eu KW</td> <td>Lim JF</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Candidate	Proposer	Seconder	President	Seow Choan	Teoh TA	C Tsang	Secretary	Richard Sim	Tang CL	D Koh	Treasurer	Ho Kok Sun	Eu KW	Lim JF	
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	Committee	Lim Jit Fong	Teoh TA	Seow Choen	
	Members	Tang Choon Leong	Teoh TA	Seow Choen	
		Ng Chin	Teoh TA	Seow Choen	
		Dean Koh	Teoh TA	Seow Choen	
	Honorary	Eu Kong Weng	C Tsang	Lim JF	
	Auditors	Teoh Tiong Ann	Lim JF	C Tsang	
12	Meeting ended at 4.30pm.				

Recorded by: Richard Sim
Hon. Secretary (2006-7)