

2015 AGM Item 6 Constitutional Amendments

Section numbers refer to the ACPGBI Constitution

Amendment 1

Change the name of 'Nursing Forum' to 'Nursing and Allied Health Professionals Group' (to be abbreviated to NAHPG where appropriate).

Amendment 2

Section 12 – Officers of the Association

1. Remove Chairman of the Information Management and Technology Group (three years)
2. Add International Representative (three years)

Amendment 3 - Changes re sanctions/deputisation

CURRENT CLAUSE

13.12 If a member occupies an official post within ACPGBI and is either unavailable or suspended from their usual place of employment, for whatever reason, they should step down from their official post. The Executive will arrange for a temporary deputy to be appointed. If the member becomes available to take up office again they should be reinstated to their role in ACPGBI, including usual limit of tenure of that official post immediately. Normal terms of service will apply.

Add clauses 13.13 and 13.14

13.13 Each member will be given a description of the duties of their respective positions on election to council. If a member occupies an official post within the ACPGBI and is felt by the executive to not be fulfilling these duties then this will be brought to the attention of the member by the secretary. This will include attendances at meetings as well as engagement and carrying out tasks. If the duties are still not fulfilled then that member may be asked to step down. A temporary deputy may be appointed pending further election.

13.14 If a member of council is unable to attend a council meeting they should submit a written report and arrange a deputy who should be briefed regarding relevant issues and should report back to the member of council. It is expected that appointing a deputy should not be a regular occurrence.

Amendment 4 - Signatories on bank account

Amend clause 17.2 to read

The council shall authorise the Honorary Treasurer, President, Honorary Secretary, the Assistant Treasurer and the Administrator to sign cheques on behalf of The Association. **The Council can authorise the addition of one signatory from a contracted agent to be one of the signatories on the account for a temporary period.** All cheques must be signed by not less than two of the ~~five~~ **six** authorised signatories. In addition, there will be facilities for electronic banking whereby payments to creditors are authorised by no less than tw0.

Amendment 5

Section23. Education and Training Committee

1. Add NAHP Section representative to the Education and Training Committee
2. Amend joint RCS/ACPGBI Coloproctology Tutor to ACPGBI Coloproctology Tutor.

The revised clause will read

23.2 Membership of the Committee shall consist of a Chairman, an SAC representative (if an ordinary Member), a representative of the Intercollegiate Board in General Surgery, a representative of each of the Dukes' Club and **the Nursing and Allied Health Professionals Group**, the **ACPGBI** Coloproctology Tutor, the Chairman of the Colonoscopy Sub-group and five other elected members.

Amendment 6 – Journal Committee

1. Remove Journal Committee from clause 22.1 so that it reads

Appointment to the major committees of the Association (Education and Training, Research and Audit, Multidisciplinary Clinical, External Affairs) as well as the ~~Journal Committee and~~ Independent Health Care Committee shall follow a similar process.

2. Amend clause 27.2 to read

Membership of the Journal Committee shall consist of a Chairman, the President, the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer of The Association, the Chairman of the Editorial Board and Editor. ~~and two other elected members.~~

Amendment 7- Pelvic Floor Society (Section 28)

Amend clause 28.3 by changing 'should' to 'could' to read

Membership is welcome from other clinical disciplines involved in the management of pelvic floor disorders such as uro-gynaecologists, urologists, radiologists, physiologists, specialist nurses, physiotherapists, chronic pain specialists, psychologists etc provided they demonstrate membership of their own professional body. Such members **could** also join ACPGBI as an Affiliate Member.