

8th GGPET AGM Minutes
Wednesday 26th March 2014
Winfield Hospital, Gloucester

Charity Commission Number 1117571

Present:

Jim Morison (JM)	Trustee, Chair
Stuart Nelson (SN)	Trustee, Treasurer
Martin Nicholas (NM)	Trustee, GP Trainers Representative
Olesya Atkinson (OA)	Trustee, Secretary
Sadaf Haque (SH)	GGPET Committee Chair
Sam Boden (SB)	GGPET Committee Vice-Chair
Julie Nevin (JN)	GGPET Administrator
Jackie Martin (JMA)	GGPET Book-keeper
Simon Riley	GP Berkeley Place Surgery
Stuart Hutchison	GP Jesmond House
Prof Clair Chilvers	Trust Headquarters
Dr Lorraine Courcier	Psychiatry 1 Wotton Lawn
Dr Magda Davis	Yorkley Health Centre
Dr Ray Dawes	Sessional GP

To follow the 8th Edward Jenner Lecture by Mr Rod Jacques
'The Last 5 Olympic Games – a Medical Perspective'

1. Apologies

RF, JH

Dr Elizabeth A Mearns FRCGP, Medical Director Bath, Gloucester, Swindon and Wiltshire Area Team

Dr Frank Harsent, Chief Executive

Dr Helen Miller, Chair of Professional Executive Committee

Professor Martin Beaman, Postgraduate Dean

Edward Jenner Lecture by Mr Rod Jacques

It was a delight to welcome Mr Rod Jacques to deliver the 8th Edward Jenner lecture ahead of our AGM. Rod Jacques has been a Sports Physician for 22 years and been to five Olympic Games, as part of a medical team. Rod is currently working as the Director of Medical Services at English Institute of Sport and a Consultant in Sport and Exercise Medicine in Gloucestershire. Rod Jacques shares a common professional ground with the local GPs, having worked as a GP in Painswick for eight years before specializing in sports medicine. Rod Jacques is a keen amateur sportsman himself and helping sportsmen and sportswomen was always something he wanted to do: which naturally led on to his interest in sports medicine dealing with sports injuries from athletes all across the spectrum.

During the lecture Mr Jacques described the meticulous amount of detail required in planning the medical care provision for the athletes at the Olympic Games. Mr Jacques's experience of Olympic Games started in Atlanta in 1996. Mr Jacques gave examples of multiple challenges of looking after the athletes, such as that of an outbreak of infectious illness through the air conditioning system. Mr Jacques illustrated the aspects of the job which are unique to his elite sportsmen and sportswomen such as the importance of

confidentiality and making difficult decisions about the fitness of the athletes to compete on the day. Mr Jacques described significant changes which have been implemented over the years in healthcare provision for the team GB such as the presence of an on-site medical team, working with multi-disciplinary teams (MDT), electronic health records for the athletes, fitness to compete and fitness to perform criteria. Finally, Mr Jacques attributed the success of the latest Team GB to the culture of close medical and scientific support, MDT input, extra government funding and home advantage. Rod Jacques also answered some interesting questions about the need to increase teaching and training in muscular-skeletal medicine in undergraduate and postgraduate settings.

2. Minutes of 7th AGM agreed

3. Matters arising

4. Trustees Annual Report

5. Secretary's Report

Discussed the fact that the number of events in 2013/14 was slightly less than in 2012/13 but the attendance was higher. JM suggested the need to keep a balance between the STs and post-CCT members. Discussed the need to protect the spaces for popular events such as SOP for the post-CCT members. One option is to reserve a number of spaces for qualified GPs, which can be offered to trainees at a later stage to keep a healthy balance between trainees and qualified GPs.

- **Membership fees**

SB reported on membership fees in the local EPOs: Bath £210, Bristol £220, Somerset £125, Swindon £185. Other EPOs offer more concessionary rates than GGPET. JM reported that Somerset is able to offer the very competitive rate due to LMC sponsorship. It was noted that the membership number is not increasing – contrary to the expectation that the newly qualified GPs who stay in the area renewed their membership.

Action: OA to arrange a reminder to the current ST3 about the need to renew the membership after March'15 if they want to continue to attend the GGPET events. Consider doing a survey for the current ST3 about what their intentions are with regards to on-going GGPET membership, would they renew, and if not, why not

6. Treasurer's Report

SN reported the same amount of profit as last year.

JMA reported tightening up the outstanding sponsorship funding and to prevent drug reps attending future events if they have outstanding invoices. Drug reps value the SOP exposure so would not to jeopardise the future attendance at the GGPET meetings

JMA reported approximately £30,000 floating money. Therefore there is no immediate need for increasing the membership rates. This could be a good publicity to increase the membership numbers, on the lines of “decision taken at the AGM to freeze the membership fees”.

JMA reported the new BACS payment system, which could allow direct debit payments on the annual basis. It was suggested that JN needs to include direct debit mandates and take out the option of cheque payments when she sends out renewal forms. GGPET

members could be asked to engage in the new payment systems/renewal of the membership as a way to secure the popular SOP places.

SH suggested sending out separate emails to publicise provision of hot food at the Nuffield evening events.

7. AOB

- Stuart Hutchinson discussed the separate educational events currently being organised in Tewkesbury, whether these should be run by GGPET. JM suggested to continue the current system of running the events based in Gloucester and Cheltenham only.
- JN reported her new commitment to work alongside Hilary Carter, Glos VTS, for 2 days a week, with 3 days a week remaining to work for the GGPET, since January 2014. JN reported significant overlap between the different roles, however JN is now having to fit in the GGPET work she previously did in 5 days in 3 instead. This arrangement is supposed to be on a trial basis. JN needs to communicate with Kate Bartlett how successful this arrangement is and inform GGPET committee if there are workload issues. SB suggested to extend the trial period.

8. Date of the next AGM

25th March 2015