



EUROPEAN COUNCIL OF LEGAL MEDICINE - ECLM

3rd meeting of the General Assembly

Saturday Dec 9, 1995 0930 - 1245 hrs

Royal College of Pathologists, LONDON

Minutes

Present (alphabetical order):

Delegates: Bär (Secretary), Brinkmann, Busuttil (Chairman), Cohen, DeRoy, Eisenmenger, Franklin, Gosset, Harding, Mangin, Penttilä, Piga Rivero, Pinto da Costa, Puts, Reys, Rognum, Saukko, Simonsen,

Deputies: Carneiro de Sousa, Vieira,

Observers: Costa Santos, Jenkins,

Apologies: Schneider, *CUSACK*.

Quorum: 15 / 19 delegates and deputies present

TOP 1: Protocol:

No corrections or amendments. Accepted formally.

TOP 2: Changes in Delegations

TOP 3: Apologies for absence

Schneider, Berlin ; *CUSACK, Dublin.*

TOP 4: Reactions to the published AUTOPSY PROTOCOL

TOP 5: Reactions to the published JOB PROTOCOL

TOP 6: The role of the CLINICAL SPECIALIST in forensic activities

Presentation by A. Busuttil of a document established by P. Franklin (to be distributed later). Discussion of whether clinical legal medicine should be presented in a general document by ECLM. Cautionary views expressed are concerned that the field of LM could be diluted. Others supported the view that clinical LM should be identifiable as subspeciality. Decision to distribute the document to every delegate of ECLM. Critical comments are welcomed until Jan 31, 1996 to the Secretary. Creation of a **working party** to refine the document:

P. Franklin (Chairman), T. Harding, Maria J. Carneiro de Sousa, B. Cohen.

The revised document will be sent to all delegates and discussed at the next general assembly in LILLE (France).

TOP 7: Other possible publications from the ECLM

L. Reys suggests that ECLM should create a document on HEALTH AND SAFETY in autopsy rooms. A. Busuttil offers to distribute the British Document of the Pathological Society. Publ.ref: Lucas SB: HIV and Necropsy. J Clin Pathol 46:1071-1075 (1993)

P. Saukko suggests to create a documentation of the Curricula available of LM Specialisation of all ECLM-member states.

TOP 8: Relationships with other non-EU countries

Observer status was given on written request to:

- Czech Republic (Doz. Dr. I. Bouska, PRAHA)
- Slovak Republic (Doz. Dr. J. Bauerova, BRATISLAVA-Kramare)

TOP 9: The Finances of the ECLM

For most of us the membership FEEs of 94, 95, and 96 are still due. P. Saukko will provide the bank account and instruct each member on the mode and the sum of FEE to be paid.

Once the FEEs paid the executive committee will present a annual budget and account.

TOP 10: Relationships with the 'European Academy of Legal Medicine' EALM

The delegates agree on the view that the aims and scopes are different but that the ECLM should be the professional body dealing mostly with postgraduate formation whereas EALM represents the European section within the International Academy of Legal Medicine IALM dealing prioritarly with scientific matters. A close collaboration where appropriate is however strongly emphasized. Ex officio an executive committee member of the ECLM should be a member in the board of the EALM.

TOP 11: Relationships with other European Council Institutions

As a member of Finland in the EC ACMT (EC Advisory Committee on Medical Training) P. Saukko informs us that "Forensic Medicine" is on the list of the medical disciplines to be recommended as a recognised discipline in Europe by the Committee. We wish Pekka much success on his important mission for LM.

TOP 12:

Next General Assembly (4th) :

LILLE (France), Saturday, Dec 7, 1996 (Prof. Dr. Didier GOSSET)

TOP 13: A.O.C.B/Varia

G. De Roy suggests that Comments on Clinical Forensic Medicine be circulated to all delegates.

P. Saukko will inform us on the possibilities to put ECLM on Internet.

E-mail addresses can be sent to W. Bär (baer@irm.unizh.ch) who will distribute them with a revised list of addresses.

TOP 14: Election of the new Executive

The executive committee is reelected by acclamation.

Executive Committee: 1995-1997

President: A. Busuttli;

Vice-President: B. Brinkmann;

Secretary: W. Bär;

Tresurer: P. Saukko

Board Members: B. Cohen, P. Mangin, J. Simenson

W. Bär
Zurich, 11.12.95