ACPSEM SA Branch Committee Meeting
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Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 2nd September 2009 at 5:30 pm in the Radiation Oncology Library, Royal Adelaide Hospital.

1. Present: Tim Williams, Siva Sarasanandarajah, John Lawson, Jason Morton, Kent Gregory, Tom Chen
Apology: Neal Molloy

SA Branch Committee:
Chairman: Tim Williams
Vice-chairman: Madhava Bhat
Secretary: Tom Chen
Treasurer: John Lawson
Joint Program coordinator: Neal Molloy
SA Branch Web Editor: Kent Gregory
Committee Members: Jason Morton, Leighton Barnden, Siva Sarasanandarajah

2. Minutes of the previous meeting
The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd April 2009 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

3. Business arising from the previous meeting

3.1 CPD Meeting
Jason Morton is going to talk about Dosimetry inter-comparison between the 2 centers in Adelaide in two weeks time, preferably Wednesday. The venue will be at the Tennyson Centre.

3.2 SA ACPSEM Web Page
ACPSEM new website has been launched. The SA branch part still has few items needs to be updated. We will keep it updated as new events come, e.g. the coming CPD meeting, and the new Lyell McEwin Hospital.

The minutes from each SA Branch Committee meeting will be posted on the website too.

4. Treasurer's Report
There was no expenditure since last meeting. A savings account for the SA Branch was opened on the 2nd of April 2009. We now have two accounts, Society Cheque Account and Express Saver Account, both with Bank SA. The Treasurer transferred $1200 from the cheque account to the savings account.

From 2nd of April to 2nd of Sept the savings account earned $17.62 interest, and the cheque account earned $1.70 interest. On the 2nd Sept, the total from both accounts is $2054.89.

5. Chairman's Report
Department of health has approved the funding for Nuclear Medicine Accreditation program. Radiology has already been approved.

TEAP program funding from the government is assured for the next 3 years.

Jason Morton from ARC has been employed as half training coordinator from the college and half physicist at ARC.

Radiation Chemist group is looking to join ACPSEM. The college has agreed their request and allowed them to join.

Radiation safety interest group chairman is Kent Gregory, who is also a member of the ARPS. He is planning to work on an accreditation program in radiation safety not just in the field of radiation oncology, but also other fields like industry or mining.

There is total of 538 members in the ACPSEM College

ACPSEM main office in NSW is planning to expand due to expansion of the CPD and education section. Renting the rooms next door might be the best solution, which will cost $25000 per annum. This issue is still under discussion.

Allen Beddoe has been awarded life time membership by the collage. He is about to retire from his current position.

It has been proposed that Northern Territory will be included in the SA branch of ACPSEM. This is to be resolved at the upcoming Branch and Committee meeting.

A new formula for calculating branch yearly funding has been approved SA yearly handout from the college to increase significantly.

6. Correspondence

7. Joint Program Subcommittee

8. Any other business

Jason Morton is going to organize a course in treatment commissioning for physicists in South Australia, the course will be divided into different sections, each section will take 2 weekends to run. The time, venue and teachers are not yet confirmed. The priority will be given to physicists then registrars. There will be a fee to attend this course, and the money will go into the local branch for any CPD or collage related events expenditure.

2010 SA Branch committee member selection will be occurring at the AGM in December, need to find a new Branch Chairman.

9. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be in early December as an AGM. Members will be notified at closer time. The meeting closed at 19:30.

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