

Summary Minutes of the Medical Council meeting 23rd and 24th July 2013

A meeting of the Medical Council was held at 12:30hrs on Tuesday 23rd & Wednesday 24th July 2013 in Kingram House, Kingram Place, Dublin 2.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Professor Freddie Wood (President)	Dr Anthony Breslin
Mr Sean Hurley	Professor Alan Johnson
Ms Katharine Bulbulia	Mr Declan Carey
Ms Marie Kehoe O'Sullivan	Professor Mary Leader
Ms Anne Carrigy	Dr Sean Curran
Ms Margaret Murphy	Mr John Nisbet
Dr Audrey Dillon (Vice President)	Dr Rita Doyle
Dr Colm O'Herlihy	Dr Michael Ryan
Ms Mary Duff	Professor Fidelma Dunne
Ms Cornelia Stuart	Dr Consilia Walsh
Dr Bairbre Golden	
Ms Catherine Whelan	

APOLOGIES

Dr John Barragry
Dr Ruairi Hanley
Councillor Sally Mulready

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Caroline Spillane (CEO)
Mr William Kennedy, (Director of Regulation)
Mr Paul Kavanagh (Director of Professional Development and Practice)
Mr Marcus Balfe (Head of Finance)
Ms Lisa Molloy (Head of Corporate Services & HR and Secretary to Council)
Mr Jim McDermott (Head of ICT & Operations)
Mr Philip Brady (Head of Registration)
Dr Anne Keane (Head of Education & Training)
Ms Jan Fitzpatrick (Senior Executive Officer Corporate Services)
Ms Ciara McMorro (Senior Executive Officer Corporate Services)
Ms Finola O'Dwyer (Senior Executive Officer Professional Standards)
Ms Lorna Farren (Communications Manager)
Mr Seamus Wolfe SC
Mr Patrick Leonard BL

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2013 were agreed and signed.

CEO's Business

Council members noted the CEO report which provided an update to members on a number of operational matters including:

- Council heard a report that over 17,000 doctors were invoiced in May 2013 with the Annual Retention Form for completion. A late penalty fee has been imposed on those who did not make a complete and on-time application.
- Council noted that a further notice will be issued to doctors who have not yet paid their Annual Retention Fee. At the end of a 21 day period, these doctors will be removed from the Register.
- Council heard a presentation regarding the main points of the Medical Workforce Intelligence Report. Council were advised that the report will be released following the Council meeting and will inform the development of the Statement of Strategy.
- Council noted the Strategy Development Briefing Document.

President's Business

- Council agreed that the current processes would continue for the PPC.
- Council agreed that the Audit Committee should be merged with the proposed Risk, Strategy and Remuneration Committee and would also include Corporate Governance. Council then agreed that Dr Sean Hurley be appointed Chair of the Audit, Strategy & Risk Committee.
- Council agreed to establish the Ethics and Professionalism Committee
- Council was advised of the on-going work of the current Standards in Practice Committee, which included all registration matters. Council agreed that the remit of the renamed Registration and Continuing Practice Committee would include matters around doctors continuing practice and maintenance of professional competence.
- Council noted that the membership of the Registration Review Board Panel will comprise of medical practitioners and lay members.
- Council agreed that Education, Training and Professional Development Committee remit will include Undergraduate, Intern, Postgraduate education and training.
- Council agreed that revised terms of reference and remits should be developed for each committee and reported back to Council for final approval.

Ratification of PRES Level 3 results

- Council approved the results of the Level 3 PRES held on 13th July 2013.

Registration Matters

- Council approved the report of the Standards in Practice Committee and accepted the recommendation in relation to the registration of a doctor.

Media Log

- This item was noted by Council

Date & Time of next meeting

- Council noted that the next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 19th September at 12:30 hrs & Friday 20th September 2013 at 08:30 hrs.