



MEETING MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, June 27, 2019
Time: 1700 – 1730
Location: Salle de Bal Montreal, Hotel Bonaventure, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Chair: Barry Rosenfeld – President IAFMHS

1. Welcome and introductions

2. President's Report

- Barry Rosenfeld thanked everyone for the conference, especially Anne Crocker, Jeanne Vachon, and her team; and Kori Ryan and Michael Martin for putting together the Scientific Program.
- Barry Rosenfeld reported that we had another great conference this year with over 425 attendees, with 28 countries represented and over 100 students. He also noted greater representations from Asia, Latin America, and Eastern Europe.
- Barry Rosenfeld announced the 2020 Conference will be held in Krakow, Poland.
- Barry Rosenfeld updated on the Board of Directors and Advisory Board meeting that was held on Tuesday. The Board decided to that the African Special Interest Group will be expanded to include other less developed forensic systems. The name for this new Special Interest Group will be Emerging Forensic System SIG. This group will focus on less well developed forensic systems, where there might be less research, less training, and infrastructure.
- Barry Rosenfeld thanked Alicia Nijdam-Jones and Kori Ryan for their work as editors of the Association's newsletters. The newsletters are

sent out quarterly via email and we are seeking content—including adhoc submissions; information about job openings and post-doc opportunities; related conference, and so forth—that would be of benefit and interest to the membership. Alicia Nijdam-Jones' contact information can be found on the website.

- Barry Rosenfeld updated the Board is looking for volunteers, be it for the Board of Director, Advisory Board, various standing committees, as well as for Scientific Co-chair for next year's conference. The Association is seeking interested members for these committees. Those interested should get in touch with Anne Crocker, incoming President.

3. Treasurer's Report

- Robert Leark updated the Association's finances has been good. The Association and Conference operates on an austere budget that the Board has oversight of. The past four conference have been well budgeted and have generated a small surplus. This surplus is then used to fund the various bursaries for students and members from less developed nations to help them attend the conference.
- He updated the Association has kept two to three years' worth of operating expenses in a term deposit to help ensure the financial longevity of the Association.

4. Journal Report

- Tonia Nicholls introduced the team and noted there is a good international representation on the board of associate editors. The journal is continuously seeking volunteer reviewers and editors.
- Tonia Nicholls reported the journal is in good shape and earned \$10,000 USD in royalties. The impact factor for 2018 has improved, as did the other metrics such as CiteScore and numbers of downloads.

- The submission rates for 2018 had decrease while the acceptance rates had gone up, but this is likely an artefact of the special issues published last year. For 2019, Dr. James Tapp has contacted the Journal interested to organise a special issue of Restorative Practices in Forensic Mental Health.

5. Student Presentation Awards

- Ilvy Goossens, President of the Student Board, announced the winners of the Student Presentation Awards: Austin Lam, Winner of the Poster Presentation Award, and Silvia Fraga Domineuz, Winner of the Oral Presentation Award.

6. BOD Changes

- Barry Rosenfeld updated on the changes in the Board of Directors. He noted Mike Doyle will complete his term as Past President and will be leaving the Board of Directors after this conference. In his place, Barry himself will be taking over as Past-President, as Anne Crocker takes over as President. Quazi Haque is joining the Board as the incoming President-Elect. Likewise, Helen Walker will take over from Ed Hilterman as Secretary. Jodi Viljoen and Josanne van Dongen will join as Members-at-Large, as Adrian Cree and Kaitlyn McLachlan retire from the Board. Barry Rosenfeld welcomed all the incoming board members and thanked the outgoing board members.

7. Next Meeting; Krakow, Poland (June 2020)