



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
SOMERSET GP EDUCATION TRUST**

**HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER
AT THE LMC OFFICE, CROWN MEDICAL CENTRE, TAUNTON**

1 Welcome

The chairman welcomed the seven voting members attending

2 Executive Committee Membership

The officers of the committee have another two years to serve. Dr Steffi Bridgman and Dr John Edwards agreed to continue as Committee members and Dr Jill Wilson agreed to join the Executive. Drs Hilary Allen, Elizabeth Gillies and Tim Horlock were nominated and will be invited to join as well.

The Annual Severn Deanery Fellow & Scholar in Education will be invited to attend meetings as a co-opted member

3 Generating income to cover less well sponsored activities

It was agreed that the secretariat could accept sponsorship offers from companies or organisations providing services to practices or individual GPs as well as from the pharmaceutical industry

4 Outline Educational Activity Plan for 2010/2011

Two full study days and a number of half days are planned as well as more joint working with private healthcare providers. The usual 5 day Fresh Looks will go ahead in Taunton if building work at Musgrove Park permits this, and it is still hoped there can be a 3 day updating course in Yeovil. Martyn Hughes has contacted GPs in the north of Mendip to ask about their educational needs and preferences. The Sessional GP group that meets in Bridgwater is doing well and will continue. A new venue is being sought for evening meetings in Taunton

It was agreed that SGPET could work with Wyvern Health to run sessions about their new Flexible Healthcare Pathways and that part funding for these from Freed Up Resources should be sought.

Following the success of the first Young GP ("First Five") Group that is now settled in Wells, a second group is planned in the west of the



county. Tim Horlock will lead this and Dr Laura Taylor invited to facilitate the initial meetings on behalf of SGPET

6 **Year end 2009/10 accounts and draft budget for 2010/2011**

The Accounts for 2009/10 were received and approved. A modest loss was reported due to set up costs and difficulty in establishing the right level of sponsorship charges to pharmaceutical companies. However, a surplus of £22,563 was carried forward to the current year. Projections for 2010/11 suggested a small overspend of around £2,135 but the Study Days are now generating a small profit.

The treasurer proposed an increase in the subscription to £100 for 2011/12 as the LMC is currently subsidising the administration of the trust. A sum of £20,000 to cover this would be realistic.

The proposal; and draft budget were approved

7 **Date of next SGPET Meeting**

To be held in November 2011 – date will be confirmed nearer the time

8 **Date of next Executive Meeting**

19th January 2011 14.30 in the LMC Office

9 **A.O.B**

Amendment to constitution

It was agreed that paragraph 7.1 (a) on membership eligibility should be amended to include the words “or resident” after “working” and before “in Somerset”.