

THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the twenty fifth meeting of the Health Professions Council held at **11a.m. on Tuesday 12 July 2005** at Park House, 184 Kennington Park Road, London, SE11 4BU.

Mr P Acres
 Professor N Brook
 Mr J Camp
 Ms S Chaudhry
 Mr R Clegg
 Mr M C Davies
 Ms H Davis
 Mrs S Drayton
 Ms C Farrell
 Dr C H Green
 Professor J Harper
 Professor T Hazell
 Mrs R Levenson
 Professor J Lucas
 Miss M MacKellar
 Mr P McFadden
 Mr K Ross
 Miss P Sabine
 Mrs B Stuart
 Mr S Taylor
 Dr A Van Der Gaag

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr J Bracken, Solicitor and Parliamentary Agent, Bircham, Dyson, Bell
 Miss S Butcher, Secretary to Committees
 Mr R Dunn, Director of Information
 Miss K Johnson, Director of Fitness to Practise
 Mr C Middleton, Director of Communications
 Mr Greg Ross-Sampson, Project Manager
 Mr M Seale, Chief Executive and Registrar
 Ms R Tripp, Policy Manager
 Ms J Tuxford, P.A. to Chief Executive

Item 1.04/293 INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

- 1.1 The Chief Executive reported to Council that he would act as Chairman for the first half of the meetings business. This was because the President and Vice-President of Council were to be duly elected.
- 1.2 Council noted that due to the grave events that occurred in London on 7th July 2005 the last meeting of Council was cancelled as quoracy could not be established. The papers of this meeting would be dealt with at the next meeting of Council to be held on Monday 18th July 2005.
- 1.3 The Chief Executive reported that there were two key papers that required Councils approval, the election of the President and Vice-President and the nomination of members to Councils statutory and non-statutory committees.
- 1.4 The Chief Executive reported that in accordance with the Health Professions Council (Election Scheme) Rules 2004 15 (1) *'Not later than fourteen days after the appointment of members in accordance with Rule 12 every person appointed as a registrant member or alternate member shall provide to the Returning Officer, in such form as he may determine, a true and complete return of all expenditure incurred by him or on his behalf in the conduct or management of the election. The Returning Officer shall publish all statements of expenditure received under this Rule in such a manner as the Council may determine.'*
- 1.5 The Council noted that two alternate members had been away on holiday and had therefore missed the deadline date on which the form was supposed to be returned. The Council then proceeded to approve the return of election expenditure (as detailed as nil). The Chief Executive signed the form and concluded the 2005 election process to date.

Item 2.05/294 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 2.1 Apologies for absence were received from the following Council members; Mrs M Clark-Glass, Ms G Darwent (Mrs F Taylor), Mr W Munro (Mr O Altay) and Mrs A Turner (Professor C Lloyd).

Item 3.05/295 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 3.1 The Council approved the agenda.

Item 5.05/296 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

- 5.1 The Chief Executive requested that Council members nominated candidates for the position of President and that a seconder backed this nomination. Council approved the process by which to elect the President and agreed that if there was a tie situation, members would be asked to re-vote to propose a winner.
- 5.2 Miss M MacKellar nominated Professor N Brook as President of the Health Professions Council and Professor T Hazell seconded the nomination. Professor N Brook confirmed that she would be delighted to stand as President. Council therefore approved her nomination. Professor N Brook reported that she was honoured to be appointed to stand again and thanked all members past and current for all of their hard work. Professor N Brook hoped that the induction for new members of Council had been a beneficial experience and looked forward to the Council Away Day on the 5th and 6th October 2005 at which all would have the opportunity to get to know each other better.

Item 6.05/297 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT**Item 7.05/298 NOMINATION TO STATUTORY AND NON-STATUTORY COMMITTEES**

- 7.1 The Council received a paper from the Chief Executive for note.

Item 8.05/299 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 8.1 There was no other business.

Item 9.05/300 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

- 9.1 The next meeting of the Council would be at 11:00am on Monday 18 July 2005.

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