



**MINUTES OF THE RESEARCH GROUP HELD ON FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER 2016, AT THE
OFFICES OF THE SOCIETY OF RADIOGRAPHERS, 207 PROVIDENCE SQUARE,
LONDON SE1 2EW**

PRESENT:

- Anne-Marie Culpan {AMC}
- Andrew England {AE}
- David Evans {DE}
- Sue Hopkins {SH}
- Jackie Matthew {JM}
- Fiona Mellor {FM}
- Robert Meertens {RM}
- Julie Nightingale {JN}
- Philip Plant {PP}
- Heidi Probst {HP} {Chair}
- Pam Shuttleworth {PS}
- Ruth Strudwick {RS}
- Liz Wilkinson {LW}

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Valerie Asemah {VA} {Minutes}
- Rachel Harris {RH} {Officer}

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 HP chaired the meeting in the morning. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and round table introductions were made, especially for the benefit of Anne-Marie Culpan, Robert Meertens, Pam Shuttleworth and Ruth Strudwick.
- 1.2 It was noted that this will be Andrew England's last meeting. Formal thanks were given to Andrew for his time on the group and for all the hard work he did whilst part of the group.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 2.1 Apologies for absence were received from Philip Cosson, Lisa Hackney, Steve Herring, Sharon Hynds and Kathryn Taylor.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- 3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10th February 2016, were approved as a true and accurate record.

4. MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

- 4.1 There were no matters arising.

5. VOTING FOR NEW CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

- 5.1 Today was the last day for FM to take the role of Chair. RH gave an update explaining to the group that it was inappropriate to rush a decision on electing a Chair and Vice Chair today. Therefore, until a Chair and Vice Chair is elected RH will chair the meetings.
- 5.1.2 Following a short discussion it was agreed that group members who are interested in becoming Chair/Vice Chair would need to submit an application of 200 words setting out why they would like this position and the qualities they will bring. RH will distribute the form via Synapse. The group members agreed.

ACTION: ALL

6. CoRIPS RESEARCH GRANTS

- 6.1 HP reported and informed the group that there were 9 submissions in the April round; this was a very big round and the research proposals submitted were of a very high standard. It appears that with each round the standard continues to improve.
- 6.1.2 Five applications were awarded – a total of £36,739.03. One was advised to resubmit, and three were rejected. One application was from an experienced group of researchers who were funded outside CoRIPS. They were developing a mentorship scheme for radiographers and this was funded by the College Board of Trustees (CBoT).
- 6.1.3 HP outlined the process for judging the CoRIPS awards and informed the group members that more panel members are needed. If anyone is interested in joining the panel, they should please get in touch with RH. RH will send out a message via Synapse.

ACTION: ALL

- 6.1.4 AE informed the group that he is willing to continue assessing CoRIPS awards for as long as he is needed. The Chair thanked him for his commitment.
- 6.1.5 It was noted that RH is pulling together a list of past CoRIPS presentations and publications which showcases the quality of publications and presentations over the years. The group agreed that it was a good way for others to see what having a CoRIPS grant can help you to achieve. PP queried whether CoRIPS recipients stay in the NHS or do they leave after achieving this award.

7. OTHER CoR RESEARCH GRANTS

- 7.1 CoRIPS Student Award – it was agreed that this award needs a review. RH gave background to the award for the benefit of new members. This award was started by the Nuffield Foundation about three years ago with strict rules. The College Board of Trustees (CBoT) later took over using the same format and it has been running since then.

- 7.1.2 There was only one application for this award this year which was very good and was granted but it was still very disappointing as there should have been more applicants. There was a discussion around how to get universities more involved and it was agreed that a small working group would be ideal to look at the current format and think of ways in which to update it. JN also agreed to take the new framework to the HEIs meeting to encourage those universities who have not as yet applied to do so. Please can those interested in being part of this working group please contact VA so that a working party can be developed to take changes to this award forward.

ACTION: ALL

- 7.2 Doctoral Fellowships – There were 2 applications for this award but none were considered sufficient quality to be invited for interview.

- 7.3 FCR by Portfolio – This was brought in last year and there were two very good applications. Application is by self nomination. There is one round per year and the closing date for this year is 3rd November.

8. RESEARCH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

- 8.1 HP informed the group that the Research Special Interest Group has moved onto the College Platform - Glass Cubes - and a message was sent to members asking them to verify the email address they wish to use, as it appear that some members working for the NHS had a bit of difficulty accessing the Google site. Following discussion it was identified that some members of the research group were having difficulty with access to Glass cubes, these members were asked to submit their names and pass to VA who would liaise with Anne Barkworth (Information Officer) to send them a link to sign up and participate.

ACTION: VA & AB

- 8.1.2 Group members were advised to think of a topic area they would like to moderate on for discussion on the Glass Cubes forum and the month they would like to start this. Also if you know of anyone who would benefit from joining the SIG should please contact HP and FM directly. HP agreed to start a discussion in November about how to apply for CoRIPS funding.

ACTION: ALL

9. COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERSHIP

9.1 Website Page

AE updated. Nicholas Courtier led on this but he has since left the group. It was noted that some group members names were missing from the Webpage and VA was tasked with getting this updated.

ACTION: VA

AE also asked everyone, including new members to please send a short bio and photo of themselves to VA to upload to the Webpage.

ACTION: ALL

9.2 Radiography

9.2 JN gave an update.

Earlier this year the Radiography Journal was accepted as the international journal for EFRS. To note that SCoR has agreed that Radiography publishes 5 journals per year instead of the usual 4, a quarterly journal plus one floating edition. Last year the special issue came out in December and it was on breast imaging. It is hope that this years' special issue will be patient safety. Radiography education will be the special topic for 2017.

MEDLINE and Thompson Reuters – just submitted latest application in regard to impact factor and awaiting response. This will be discussed at the February meeting.

To note that there is a new editorial team including AE who joined last year. CoRIPS quality is improving and giving novice researchers an opportunity to publish.

Online reading is very popular and this online resource appears to be what users want and there is lots of discussion going on around this. JN will keep group updated. Anyone interested in being a reviewer should please send CV to JN or if you know of anyone who is interested please let her know.

ACTION: ALL

10. FEEDBACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

10.1 CAHPR

RH updated. The AHP network and Physiotherapist network has amalgamated thus making sure that all group members are on equal terms and have an equal voice. RH is the current chair.

10.2 NICE

RH updated the group and reminded them that any consultations she sends out to please read and send any comments back to her, as it is important radiographers respond. So please take the time to read the consultations.

10.3 Radiological Research Trust

FM updated the group and informed that the there are grants of up to £5000 from the Radiological Research Trust. There is a fund raising dinner at which SCoR has a table which still have a few spare seats, so if anyone is interesting in attending they should let FM know.

11. DELPHI STUDY FOR RESEARCH PRIORITIES

11.1 The group spent the afternoon working on the research priorities. All members in attendance were allocated a group of research priorities to try to code into one of five category themes before the end of October. The theme areas were:

1. Technological Innovations
2. Public and patient Experience
3. Accuracy and Safety
4. Service and Workforce Transformation
5. Education and Training

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 There was no other business

13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

13.1 The dates of future meetings have been agreed as:

- Wednesday 8th February 2017
- Wednesday 6th September 2017
- Wednesday 7th February 2018
- Wednesday 5th September 2018