

## **SAOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 29.10.09**

### **• Introduction**

Laurent Thierrin welcomes the members. In May 2009 the joint meeting of OAA, CARO, BARA, SARB and SAOA took place in Jersey. It was a very successful meeting. 20 members of the SAOA attended.

The new Committee met 4 times this year, once in Jersey. We mainly concentrated on organising this meeting and the spring meeting 2010 as well as on adapting the statutes.

### **• Finances**

The account of 2008 was revised and accepted (26 out of 29 attending members).

Due to the actual financial situation it was decided to leave the membership fee for 2010 on the same amount as last year (CHF 40.- per year for ordinary members, CHF 20.- per year for extraordinary members).

### **• Committee Changes**

Doris Hofstetter has been cashier for four years. She will give up this function but will be the new secretary (accepted by 29 out of 29 attending members).

Annik Vuffray was proposed as the new cashier. She presented herself and was elected (accepted by 23 out of 29 attending members). Annik has been working with the Committee since the beginning of 2009.

Nathalia Roten will give up her function as a revisor. New revisor will be Steen Petersen.

### **• Change of Statutes**

Andrea Melber summarizes the changes of article 18 which had been sent and voted by mail in August. Only one member out of 45 disagreed with the changes, so the article has been changed as proposed. As a consequence it is now possible to change the statutes at the general assemblies whatever the number of attending members.

Adaptation of the French and German version to one similar version in both languages including minor changes have been proposed and accepted (21 out of 29 attending members) and can be read on the SAOA website.

### **• Reimbursement of meetings expenses for the Committee**

A reimbursement of CHF 100.- per Committee member per meeting was proposed to cover the travel expenses (accepted by 25 out of 29 attending members).

### **• Spring meeting**

It will take place on the 17.th of April in the Kantonsspital Winterthur (local organizer : Doris Hofstetter). Main topic will be "PCA with remifentanyl in labour" presumably with a pro/ con

debate held by David Hill and Marc van der Velde. Additionally there will be a talk about Carbetocin. A case report session will also be held on a regular base as proposed by Markus Schneider. Christian Kern proposed regular and active integration of Neonatologists and Obstetricians. Further ideas also for case reports are welcome and can be sent by mail to the Committee 2010.

- **Varia**

The leaflet about regional anaesthesia in Obstetrics is not on print anymore. Now it can be found on the SGAR website and downloaded in 4 languages. Anyone who has new ideas for the website design is welcome to help us.

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