

**BEES AGM**  
**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2006, 1:40pm**  
**Gateway Conference Centre, St Andrew's**

Minutes

Present: Professor HC Williams (Chair), Dr A Birnie (Sec & Treasurer), Dr S Lewis-Jones, Professor Jimmy Ferguson, Dr Sally Ibbotson, Prof Brian Diffey.

Apologies: None

1. It was proposed that the next two BEES meetings be combined with the BSID meeting 2007 in Nottingham and the EDEN Congress in spring 2008. This was agreed and the motion will be put to the executive committee.
2. A successful BEES 'Getting to grips with evidence based dermatology' course was held in Nottingham from 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2006 with delegates coming from the UK dermatology registrars and overseas including Germany, Spain and Tanzania (BEES travelling fellowship).
3. It was reported that communication had taken place between HCW and Ludwood Interactive, who have the contract to provide the BEES website, with regards putting material onto the site. It was felt that the society should ensure that Ludwood set up the website as planned and then an alternative, better value local supplier be found.
4. The treasurer reported that the balance of the society account stood at £17215.64 on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2006. This figure is artificially high as the expenses, including room hire, of the BEES course in February have not yet been paid. Current membership numbers stand at 72.
5. Any other business:
  - a. It was proposed that as the society has a healthy bank balance a third fellowship could be provided for the BEES 'Getting to grips with evidence based dermatology' course and that perhaps this could be opened up to be an international fellowship rather than just being for those from the Regional Dermatology Training Centre in Tanzania. This motion will be put to the executive.
  - b. It was proposed that the differential of cost for the BEES meetings could be increased e.g. to £10 for members and £50 for non-members and that travel expenses could be provided for the SpRs who have had an abstract accepted to be presented. This motion will be put to the executive.