

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

12th March 2015

St Anne's College, Oxford

1. Apologies Suha Deen
2. Minutes of the last meeting March 2014
These were accepted as an accurate record
3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting. None
4. Adoption of accounts and Treasurer's Report
Chris Sonnex presented the Society accounts and the Treasurer's report on behalf of Suha Deen. These were accepted
5. Website update. SC advised that list of dedicated paediatric vulval clinics will be made. Details to SC. Website update with clinical photos planned soon.
6. Education and training subgroup update
DN updated members on the LS flowsheet now available on the website. DN proposed that more expert guidance should be written on topics where there is not enough evidence for guidelines e.g. management of clitoral hood LS. Members to propose topics. DN will lead on the development of training materials for nurses.
7. Guidelines. DM reported on progress. VIN progressing. FB to be reinstated, LP guidelines on hold. Vulvodynia revision to be considered
8. ACCEA. DM reminded members that BSSVD can support members' applications.
9. Update patient support groups
LS. Fabia Brackenbury advised that she has attended BSSVD meetings for 20 years, missing only one. She is keen for UK and USA doctors to collaborate more. She proposed that information for parents should be developed to fill the gap between GP referral and being seen in a paediatric vulval clinic. She gave an update on personal experience of stem cell treatment and her very successful participation in the Vulval Health awareness campaign in conjunction with the BAD. She stated that 'Last year was such a bad year that I did not feel I could talk about it. The never ending work of support one to one was still there.'
VPS. Kay Thomas gave an update on behalf of the Vulval Pain society. She advised that website traffic was increasing and that many patients are seeking information on line. The VPS has held webinars, contributed to videos and been represented at 2 RCOG events. The VPS worked with Liverpool University in designing their study "Vulval Pain the Journey to Diagnosis" and are updating Smear Guides into a leaflet. The VPS is part of a coalition of patient support groups known as the International Pelvic Pain Coalition. There is a Super Workshop in Bloomsbury London on 9th May 2015. Patients and Health Professionals welcome. All details & booking forms on VPS website.
KT thanked the BSSVD for their financial contribution but stated that this has not been paid this year. She would be grateful if the payment could be made regularly (historically has been paid January each year).
10. Any other Business.
DM requested a volunteer to arrange the annual meeting in 2017