

Irish Radiation Research Society

AGM

**Tues 3rd Sept @17.30-18.30,
ERR2013 Dublin Meeting, Bedford Hall-Main Castle**

1. Apologies

Helen McCarthy (NI Treasurer, QUB), James Murphy (Institute of technology, Sligo), Margaret Moore (University Hospital Galway), Mark Foley (National University of Ireland Galway)

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Accepted as true representation of last meeting.

3. Chairs Communications

- a. **ERR2013** – Fiona Lyng reported on success of the ERR2013 meeting. There were 305 registrants (30% were young investigators; with reduced registration costs and therefore reduced income over expenditure). Sponsorship raised was €27K. Overall no significant profit/loss. The keynote lectures and award lectures would be summarised, as reviews, in a special issue of the BJR. The committee officially thanked the local organising team, especially Fiona Lyng, for their significant hard work in organising such a successful meeting
- b. **ICRR2019**- Fiona reported that the ARR's bid to host the ICRR in Manchester in 2019 was successful. **Action: Tracy Robson to contact Kaye Williams to state that the IRRS are in full support and would like to be involved where ever we can wrt organisation and the programme.**
- c. **IRRS committee** – Tracy Robson reported that Helen McCarthy would like to resign from the committee as Northern Treasurer, because of other commitments. Tracy nominated Jonathan Coulter as a possible replacement and the committee agreed; the membership ratified this. Tracy also nominated Dr Suneil Jain (Clinical Oncologist Belfast City Hospital) as an ordinary member of the committee; the committee agreed and the membership ratified this. Fiona Lyng's term as Chair was also discussed as her full two years were now complete. Fiona Lyng nominated Dr Aidan Meade, this was seconded by Prof Rosbon and the membership were in agreement. The position of deputy chair was not decided. **Action: an email would be send to committee by Tracy Robson asking for nominations.**

The committee are as follows from Sept 2013:

Chair	Aidan Meade, Dublin Institute of Technology
Deputy Chair	tbd
Past Chair	Fiona Lyng, Dublin Institute of Technology
Secretary	Tracy Robson, Queen's University Belfast
Treasurer	Orla Howe, Dublin Institute of Technology
Asst. Treasurer (NI)	Jonathan Coulter, Queen's University Belfast

Ordinary Members	James Murphy, Institute of Technology Sligo
	Mark Foley, National University of Ireland Galway
	Fred Currell, QUB
	Heinz-Peter Nausheuer, NUI Galway
	Lorraine Currivan, RPII
	Kevin Prise, QUB

Laure Marignol, St James/TCD
Suneil Jain, QUB/BCH

4. Treasurers' reports

Orla Howe (ROI Treasurer) outlined the current financial status of the IRRS, with ~ €500 left in the bank account. On behalf of Helen McCarthy (NI Treasurer), Tracy Robson informed the committee that there had been no spend on the NI account and the balance was around the same ~£500; following transfer of £500 to Orla Howe for the IRRS YIAs. Dr Coulter will take steps to re-assign the signatories on the Northern account **Action: Helen McCarthy/Jonathan Coulter/Tracy Robson**

With respect to IRRS membership fees, the committee agreed that annual membership costs should be increased to £20 (€24) for senior members and £10 (€12) for PhD students with immediate effect. Furthermore, in an attempt to try and obtain membership fees, Orla Howe and Jonathan Coulter would set up an online paypal link on the IRRS website to encourage members to pay. **Action: Orla Howe and Jonathan Coulter to sort paypal link for transfer to Northern and Southern bank accounts and then email membership accordingly requesting payments of fees.**

With increased fees it is hoped that the IRRS might be able to establish more travel awards and these would be in commemoration of Prof Donal Holywood. **Action: Laure Marignol through Mary Cofey, will contact Donal's family to request permission.**

5. IRRS Meeting 2014

It was agreed that the next IRRS meeting would be held in Belfast on Sept 5th/6th 2014 and would be organised by Fred Currell/Tracy Robson/Kevin Prise/Jonny Coulter/Suneil Jain.

Action: Tracy Robson to sort out a venue at QUB and email members of any updates closer to the time.

6. IRRS website (action)

- a. Lorraine to remove ERR2013 meeting info, but to keep programme/abstracts and add some photos of the event.
- b. Also add update on the next IRRS in Belfast on Sept 5th/6th 2014.
- c. Add revised payment of membership fees

7. A. O. B

None

8. Date of next meeting:

The next IRRS AGM will be held at the annual meeting in Belfast on Sept 2014.