



Minute of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Royal College of Physicians held on 29 May 2024

Present

Professor Andrew Elder, President, in the Chair

Professor T O Adedoyin	Dr F Goma	Dr S Pound
Dr A Afreen	Dr A Gordon	Dr M Prasad
Dr Y Ajaz	Dr H Ni	Dr J Rawat
Dr M Al-Sakkal	Dr S Han	Dr W Reith
Professor I Al-Salmi	Dr K Hartigan-Go	Dr M Saleem
Professor A P Ambali	Dr S Hoque	Professor R Schwartz
Dr O Areo	Dr A Hossain	Dr A Shah
Rev Professor D Atkinson	Dr J B Irving	Dr D Shreeve
Dr K Baker	Dr M A Islam	Dr M Slater
Mr A K Banerjee	Dr K Javaid	Dr S Song
Dr B P Bergman	Dr K P Kelly	Professor S Tawari
Professor S Bhandari	Dr F Khalid	Professor T T New
Professor A Brady	Dr M I H Khan	Ms E J Tait
Professor A Bussalleu	Professor M Lakhani	Dr R Thomas
Dr P Cantley	Dr S MacKenzie	Professor A Thomas OBE
Dr T Chakraborty	Dr C P J Maguire	Colonel M Thomas
Dr T M Chit	Mr I Milne	Dr R Tunnell
Dr V Cvoro	Dr D Mital	Dr S Waqas
Dr L Dawson	Professor A Myint	Dr K D White
Dr N Dewhurst	Professor R R Nair	Dr C Whitworth
Dr N D C Finlayson	Dr S Nallasivan	Dr H Zealley OBE
Dr E Khalid	Professor S Pett	Dr H Zuhairy
Professor I D Erekosima	Professor S Philip	
Dr A F Hlaihel	Dr J Pickles	

In attendance

Mr K A J McKellar, CEO
Ms Steph Hough, Membership Engagement Manager
Ms L Paterson, Director of Global Engagement
Mr K Pinkerton, College Clerk

Welcome

- The President, before continuing the business of the meeting, welcomed Fellows and Members, in person and online.
- It was noted that there was a quorum present. It was further noted that the requisite majority to make alterations to the Laws is 2/3 of Fellows present and voting.
- The President explained the voting process.

1 Changes to UK Fellows' Subscription Rates from October 2024

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 33 for, 5 against and 5 abstentions, that the amount of the annual subscriptions payable by **Fellows in the UK** on 1st October 2024 shall be:

UK Fellowship rates

Status	Resident in UK
	£
Physician	459
Non-physician	361
Retired	96

Lifetime Fellowship £799

2 Changes to International Fellows' Subscription Rates from October 2024

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 38 in favour, 3 against and 5 abstentions, that the amount of the annual subscriptions payable by International Fellows on 1st October 2024 shall be:

International Fellowship rates

Status	Fellows
	£
Band A	207
Band B	207
Band C	156
Band D	97 <i>no change</i>
Retired	58

Lifetime Fellowship £475

3 Changes to UK Collegiate Members' Subscription Rates from October 2024

It was noted that the UK Collegiate subscription, for those not in a consultant post, remains unchanged.

UK: Collegiate rates

Status	Resident in UK
	£
Collegiate member (not in a Consultant post)	65 – 148 <i>No change</i>
Retired	37

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 45 in favour, one against and 3 abstentions, that the amount of the annual subscriptions payable by Collegiate Members for 10-14 years (in a consultant post) shall be:

Status	Resident in UK
	£
Collegiate member for 10 - 14 years (in a Consultant post)	190
Retired	40

It was resolved by the requisite majority, there were 46 in favour, 1 against and 4 abstentions, that the amount of the annual subscription payable by Collegiate Members for more than 15 years (in a consultant post) shall be:

Status	Resident in UK
	£
Collegiate member for more than 15 years (in a Consultant post)	213
Retired	40

4 International Members' Subscription Rates from October 2024 Remain Unchanged

it was noted that that the UK Collegiate subscription, for those not in a consultant post, remains unchanged.

International: Member rates

Status	Members
	£
Band A	62 – 128
Band B	62 – 128
Band C	47 – 96
Band D	31 – 64
Retired	35

5 Associate Members' Subscription Rates from October 2024 Remain Unchanged

It was noted that the International Members' Subscription remains unchanged.

Associate rates

Status	Resident in UK	International
	£	£
Associate	62 - 141	16 - 128
Retired	35	35

6 Changes to the Laws

Motion A

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 51 for, none against and 3 abstentions to permit the proposal and seconding of amendments to motions at College meetings and to amend Law 10 of Chapter XV by electronic means by making the following amendments to the Laws:-

1. In Law 10 of Chapter XV of Motions, Laws and Protests, delete the word "signed" as it appears in the first sentence. And
2. Add the following new Chapter and Law:-

"CHAPTER XXIV DEFINITIONS

1. In these Laws unless the context provides otherwise:-
 - 1.1 "electronically" means, in relation to the sending or supply of a document or information, the sending or supply by electronic means or by any other means while in an electronic form.
 - 1.2 "writing" means the representation or reproduction of words, symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods whether sent or supplied electronically."

Motion B

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 45 for, none against and 6 abstentions, to add the Honorary Librarian and Heritage Trustee as a member of Council by making the following amendment:-

In Law 1.1 of Chapter X add, "j the Honorary Librarian and Heritage Trustee" and re-letter accordingly.

Motion C

It was **resolved** by the requisite majority, 40 for, 7 against and 5 abstentions, to remove the statement that the "Fellowship with Distinction" would not normally be awarded to those elected as President or Vice President by making the following amendment:-

In Law 1 of Chapter XX, delete the sentence, 'This honour would not normally be awarded to those elected as President or Vice President, as they are honoured by College in other ways'.

The President thanked all for attending and for contributing to the meeting.