

Minutes of the Section Meeting: Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine

Welcome of the participants in the name of Aarne Feldheiser and Ben Creagh-Brown. The virtual meeting on Zoom started at 18.35 hs. and finished at 19.25 hs. on the 4th of October, 2021.

Participants: Aarne Feldheiser (minute taker), Ben Creagh-Brown, Roland Francis, Victoria Bennett, Adriaan Graw, Giovanni Landoni, Nicolas Vander Elst, Ib Jammer, Peter Barocke, Martin Bernardi, Sascha Treskatsch

1. Change of the name of the section (Aarne Feldheiser): At the beginning of the year we had a meeting with Joel Alexander, Maurizio Cecconi and Elie Azoulay and we stated that it is important to be inclusive and not exclusive. The Pandemic has shown that Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine has a responsibility within the surgical pathways and that we should approach that topic in a holistic way. The decision was therefore the change of the name from "Perioperative Intensive Care" to "Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine". The change of the name was confirmed with other decisions by the Executive Board in June and the SOP is now fixed. The topics will be always related to intensive care medicine, as a consequence the topics are nearly always related to high-risk surgical patients.
2. Congress activities (Aarne Feldheiser): A short report of the processes of the last year was offered. The section turned much more active from 3 to 5 sessions in the last year to 21 sessions in this year with two live sessions (Case-Based-Fundamental about High-Risk surgical patients and a Round-The-Table-Discussion about the High-Risk Surgical Patients). Additionally, we were able to re-establish including relevant topics into the program like cardiothoracic, periop ECMO, and telemedicine.
3. Activities so far (Aarne Feldheiser): The section established a Webinar organised by Yen-Lan Nguyen and we started to organise a Master-Class of Perioperative Medicine together with Bernardo Pinto Bollen.
4. EPICC (Victoria Bennett): The idea is that we contribute modules of the perioperative medicine section. Actually, 20 modules were started. Victoria greatly described the whole process up to the publication on the eAcademy-Plattform. 12 modules are in the production process quite advanced that we can consider getting them finished within a considerable time frame, including two that only need the final review and then can be sent to production. We consented that this is still a lot of work and the only incentive is the recognition being author of the ESICM eAcademy. Consequently, we decided that it is important for the section to advance with the modules and finish them for publication to be able to give the credits to the authors. We came to the point that the next important step is a written wrap-up of the actual modules, the things to do for the modules and then we look for volunteers to support the finalising process.
5. News from the research committee (Ben Creagh-Brown): We received an overview of the activities of the Research Committee, for example many surveys were submitted and approved, the research grant process described. Lastly, no grant went to topics of our section. Additionally, the successful process of the Squeeze study was described. The ESICM will perform a Research Master Class in January.
6. New official positions in the section (Aarne Feldheiser): The Executive Committee decided to change the system of officer positions. Most relevant to the section is the change of the handling of the chair and vice-chair position. The chair will be on a three year term with one year of overlap with the actual chair. Actually, this means that we will have the election of the chair of the section in the next year as the term of

Aarne and Ben will last two more years. Additionally, there will be no elected successor for Ben. Instead the chair names persons to be send to the:

- a. The Social Media and Digital Content Committee
- b. The e-Learning Committee
- c. The Clinical Training Committee.

The intention now was not to name simply names, but to start the process that volunteers can contact us to build a successful team for the section. The plan is that with sending out the minutes we additional call for applications. The deadline for naming the colleagues is the end of October.

7. Outlook (Aarne Feldheiser):

1. An important topic for us as chair and co-chair is the development and support of research ideas. We please everybody having ideas to approach us to consider the necessary steps to realise these ideas
2. During LIVES means we will start soon with the process for the next congress. We will have a new Congress Committee chair with Jean-Luis Teboul and please contact us with ideas what should be included in the program
3. The section plans to do the next virtual meeting in half a year in a virtual format.