



UNITED STATES CHAPTER OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF SURGERY

**US Chapter of the Intentional Society of Surgery  
Business Meeting Minutes  
October 18, 2016  
Marriott Marquis, Washington, D.C. – Salon 14**

**Attendees:**

Kathleen Casey, MD, *President*  
Raymond Price, MD, *Secretary-Treasurer*  
Adil Haider, MD, *Membership Chair*  
Hilary Sanfey, MD, *Past President*  
Raul Coimbra, MD, *IATSIC Councilor*  
Martha Zeiger, MD, *IAES Councilor*

Sandhya Lagoo-Deenadayalan, MD, *ASAP Councilor*  
Sherry Wren, MD, *Council Member*  
Denise Goode, *American College of Surgeons*  
Ashley Porter, *American College of Surgeons*  
Emily Maurer, *American College of Surgeons*

Juan A. Asensio, MD  
Ken Boffard, MD  
Tamara Fitzgerald, MD  
Mike Jacobs, MD  
Scott Leckman, MD  
Marco Patti, MD  
Richard B. Reiling, MD  
George Velmahos, MD

Annabel Barber, MD  
John R. Clarke, MD  
Andrew Hill, MD  
Krista Kaups, MD  
Ronald V. Maier, MD  
Bikram Paul, MD  
Jonathon Rhoads, MD

Marissa Boeck, MD  
John Fildes, MD  
Mike Iliopoulos  
Andy Leather, MD  
Patricia Numann, MD  
Basil Pruitt, MD  
Chris Storz

**Regrets:**

Andres Castellanos, MD, *Councilor*  
Peter Angelos, MD, *President Elect*  
Mike Sarr, MD, *Secretary-Treasurer of the ISS Foundation*

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Vote
I. Call to Order and Welcome	Dr. Kathleen Casey called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm EDT.	
II. Introduction of Attendees	Dr. Casey provided a brief introduction of the meeting attendees; including making note of special guests, Dr. Andrew Leather, the 2016 Distinguished Lecturer of the ISS; Dr. Kenneth Boffard, Secretary General of the ISS-SIC; and Dr. Marco Patti, President of ISS-SIC.	
III. Moment of Silence	<p>A moment of silence was observed in honor of Dr. Frank Moody, Dr. Norman Thompson, Dr. Judson Randolph and others who have passed away in the past year.</p> <p>The Council learned the next morning that Dr. Jay Grosfeld, past Secretary-Treasurer of ISSF, passed away on October 19, 2016.</p>	
IV. Approval of 2015 Minutes	The 2015 October Minutes were reviewed.	The 2015 October Minutes were approved.
V. President's Report	<p>Dr. Casey presented the President's Report:</p> <p>a. Dr. Casey gave an update on the ACS Lecture to be held at the World Congress of Surgery in 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This lecture has been reinstated after several years of dormancy and will recognize the significant contributions of the American College of Surgeons towards advancing surgical care internationally. The US-ISS will submit one nominee and two alternates to the ISS Executive Committee for consideration.</li> <li>– The lecture will be 90 minutes in length.</li> <li>– ISS-SIC will pay airfare and hotel accommodations for the speaker.</li> <li>– Prof. Stephen A. Deane, MBBS, FRACS, FRCS, FACS, FRCSEd, FRCS Thailand (hon) of Newcastle, Australia has been nominated for the lecture at the 2017 WCS. His nomination was approved by the ISS Executive Committee at their meeting on October 16, 2016.</li> <li>– ISS HQ will contact Prof. Deane with a formal invitation.</li> </ul> <p>b. Dr. Casey gave a brief update on the 2017 WCS; Dr. Patti discussed the decision to change venue from Argentina to Basel, Switzerland and related change of dates.</p> <p>c. ISS-SIC Secretary General, Dr. Boffard and President, Dr. Patti, provided a brief update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Preliminary projections suggest an attendance of 1400 individuals at the 2017 WCS. Previous meetings have had a record high attendance of 3000 at the 1997 meeting in Acapulco and a record low attendance of 800 at the 2007 Montreal Congress.</li> <li>– Dr. Boffard remarked on the ISS-SIC office move from Geneva to Zurich, stating there had been a successful transition.</li> <li>– The SIC-ISS Executive Council has recently voted in favor of allowing</li> </ul>	

	<p>Medical Student and Resident Members. Further details to follow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Membership in low and middle income countries is growing while the membership of developed countries is stagnant or dwindling due to an aging membership population.</li> <li>– Current membership across all of ISS-SIC is currently approximately 2000 members; while twenty years ago, it was approximately 4000.</li> </ul> <p>d. The ISS Foundation update was given by Dr. Casey on behalf of Dr. Michael Sarr, Secretary-Treasurer of the ISS Foundation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Dr. Sarr has spent the previous year researching strategies to fund travel support for WCS attendees from LMICs and educational activities of the Integrated Societies.</li> <li>– A fundraising consultant is employed to develop strategies to increase donations from philanthropic and funding sources, as well as from individual members.</li> </ul> <p>e. Dr. Casey asked for updates from the Integrated Societies. She gave a brief ASAP update, mentioning their Annual Meeting will be held in early December in conjunction with COSECSA in Mombasa, Kenya.</p>	
VI. Secretary-Treasurer’s Report	<p>Dr. Raymond Price presented the Secretary-Treasurer’s Report:</p> <p>a. In FY16 \$4,036 in membership dues has been received from ISS-SIC with an additional \$6,566 anticipated for a total of \$10,602. This is down slightly from FY15 which saw a total of \$11,645.</p> <p>b. To date, FY16 expenses are at \$7,547. This is down significantly from \$14,034 in FY15 due to the Nyhus grant award being given in odd years and a past due tax liability being paid in FY15.</p>	
VII. Membership Report	<p>Dr. Adil Haider presented the Membership Report:</p> <p>a. Member Statistics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 5 Honorary Members</li> <li>– 338 Active Members</li> <li>– 326 Senior Members (not required to pay dues)</li> <li>– 20 New Members</li> <li>– 4 Associate Members</li> </ul> <p>Breakdown of US-ISS membership by Integrated Society: IAES=99; IATSIC=95; IASMEN=14; BSI=13; ISDS=67; ASAP=56.</p> <p>b. Thus far, 2016 Member Dues have been received from 149 Members.</p>	
VIII. World Journal of Surgery	No report provided.	
IX. New Business	<p>a. Dr. Casey reviewed current nominations and requested input on various awards given by the US-ISS and ISS-SIC.</p> <p>i. Nyhus Traveling Fellowship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Applications <b>must</b> include submission of an abstract for the 2017 WCS in Basel, Switzerland no later than 1/18/17.</li> </ul>	

	<p>– Final abstract approval is 3/31/17. Fellowship awardee can be determined after that date, based on those nominees whose abstracts were accepted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. ISS/SIC Prize: Accepting further nominations via email by 11/15/16.</li> <li>iii. Robert Danis Prize: Dr. Raul Castellanos, Dr. Mark Bowyer, and Dr. Ron Mayer. Accepting further nominations via email by 11/15/16.</li> <li>iv. Rene Leriche Prize: Awardees has been determined for 2017 - Dr. Sicard.</li> <li>v. ISS/SIC Honorary Membership: David Herndon, MD. Accepting further nominations via email by 11/15/16.</li> <li>vi. The Executive Committee will meet in November to determine the nominations from the US Chapter.</li> <li>vii. Nominations from the chapter must be submitted to ISS-SIC by 12/31/16.</li> </ul> <p>b. Dr. Casey led a discussion of nominees for the 2017 Distinguished Lecturer of the ISS at Clinical Congress. Nominations must be submitted to ACS by 12/31/16. Those candidates suggested for the 2016 lecture were recommended for reconsideration in 2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Ian Civil, MBChB, MBE, New Zealand</li> <li>ii. O. James Garden, FRCPCS Glas, FRCS Ed, FRCP Ed, FRACS, FRCPSA, FRSE, FACS Hon, FRCS Hon, FCSHK, United Kingdom</li> <li>iii. Prof Pankaj G. Jani, M.Med., FCSGen(ECSA), Kenya</li> <li>iv. Prof Jacques Marescaux, MD, FACS, Hon. FRCS, Hon. FJSES, France</li> <li>v. Toru Kono Sapporo, Japan</li> <li>vi. Martin Smith, MBBCh, South Africa</li> <li>vii. Prof Cheng-Har Yip, MB, BS, FRCS(Edin)(Glas), Malaysia</li> </ul> <p>Accepting further nominations via email by 12/15/16.</p> <p>c. Dr. Casey reminded attendees to register for the upcoming 2017 WCS in Basel, Switzerland.</p> <p>d. Now that the ISS-SIC Executive Council Meeting allows Medical Student and Resident Members, US-ISS will now need to update their bylaws to account for these changes.</p>	
X. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned. Attendees moved to the reception.	