

ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL VASCULAR SURGEONS

Annual General Meeting

**The Summit at Big Sky
Friday 20 March 2015 at 6.00pm**

MINUTES

1. **Apologies for absence, introduction of new National Representatives**
 - a) Apologies were received for the following members. Marcin Geremek, Poland, Jan Marusiak, Czech Republic, Murat Aksoy, Turkey, Anders Albäck, Finland and Håkan Pärsson, Sweden.
 - b) The Chairman welcomed Peter Mondek and Prakash Madhavan, the new National Representatives for Slovakia and Ireland respectively.
2. **Minutes of last meeting in Kitzbühel, 14 March 2014 (on website)**

The minutes were accepted as a correct record of this meeting.
3. **Matters arising from the minutes**

No additional matters were raised
4. **Report on the death of Tudor Davies, Cardiff (Peter Lamont)**

A minutes silence was observed by the AGM in memory of Tudor Davies
5. **Report from Executive Committee**
 - a) The Australasian Representative, Claire Campbell had sent apologies due to family commitments.
 - b) Simon Fraser, the UAE representative sent his apologies and is returning to Edinburgh. This post will be put on hold pending further discussion.
 - c) The resignation of Vladimir Sefranek, Slovakia and Mary Paula Colgan, Ireland was noted and the Executive expressed thanks for their years of service.
6. **Report on the 2014 Meeting, Kitzbühel (Andrew Mclrvine)**

Andrew Mclrvine reported that the 2014 Kitzbuhel meeting had attracted 130 delegates and due to a lack of sponsorship had sustained a small financial loss of €673.50. The members of the Executive expressed their sincere thanks to Andrew for running this excellent meeting and there was a strong desire to return to this venue in the future.
7. **Report on the 2015 Meeting, Big Sky (Maciej Dryjski)**

Maciej Dryjski reported that the 2015 meeting was on budget and although had attracted slightly fewer delegates, was on track to make a slight profit. He

thanked Nargis Hossain for her help in organising the meeting, but had made a decision not to hold the ski race this year due to the poor snow conditions. However, he hoped this tradition would be continued in Madonna.

**8. Report on next meeting in Madonna di Campiglio, 12-19 March 2016
(Kris Michalowski on behalf of Marcin Geremek)**

Kris Michalowski presented the proposal for the 2016 meeting in Madonna on behalf of Marcin Geremek, the local organiser. The meeting would be held in the Hotel Spinale, which could provide excellent accommodation and a meeting room for the Society. These plans were approved by the AGM.

9. Proposal for local organisers for future meetings (2017/18/19/20)

- a) Claes Skiöldebrand attended on behalf of Håkan Pärsson and agreed to organise the 2017 meeting in Åre, Sweden. This was approved by the AGM.
- b) Kris Michalowski was approved by the AGM to organise the 2018 meeting in the Alps. He suggested St Anton and Deux Alpes as possible venues.
- c) The AGM approved that the 2019 meeting would be organised by Peter Mondek in Jasna Nizke Tatry, Slovakia.
- d) The 2020 meeting will be organised by Jesper Lautsten in Courmayeur. Further details will be presented in 2016. This was approved by the AGM.

10. Annual Accounts

The Chairman reported that there had been no income or expenditure on the AIVS account in Liechtenstein in the year since the last meeting of AIVS. The account balance was reported at €6291.

11. Announcement of election of President for 2017

The Executive had proposed that Andrew McIrvine should be elected as the resident for 2017. There was unanimous approval from the AGM, who congratulated him on his new role.

12. Any other business

No other business was raised and the Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Markus Furrer for his excellent Presidency and to Maciej Dryjski and Nargis Hossein for organising an excellent meeting in Kitzbühel. He welcomed Philippe Gutwirth as the new President for 2016 and Marcin Geremek (in absentia) as the Local Organiser.

13. Date of next meeting

Friday 18 March 2016, Hotel Spinale, Madonna di Campiglio, Italy.