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Minutes of 57th Meeting of AMICU
Annual Spring Meeting
March 17th 2006 at the Quality Inn, Little Sutton
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Attendance: Dr Andrews, Dr Naidu, D McClure, Dr Masterson, Dr Tweedie, Mrs Burgess, Dr Hankin, Dr Harper, Dr Freddy, Dr Guha, Dr Robin, Dr Mehra, Dr Daiman, Dr Welters, Dr Walker, Dr Shearer, Dr Wenstone, Dr Axon, Dr Charters, Dr Singh, Dr Gannon, Dr Montgomery, Dr Mostafa, Mr Evans, Mr Lazenby, Mrs Simpson, Dr Harris

Apologies: Prof Leuwer, Dr McCrossan, Prof Griffiths

01/06 Introduction

Dr Ian Tweedie, the Chairman of AMICU, welcomed the audience, thanked the meeting's sponsors (Sanofi-Aventis & Wyeth pharmaceuticals), and introduced the day's speaker.

02/06 Dr Hugh Montgomery's presentation

Dr Hugh Montgomery, Consultant in Cardiology and Critical Care Medicine from University College Hospital in London, gave a 55-minute talk about his experiences of the terrorist bombings in London last summer. His talk was very informative and was greatly appreciated by the audience. The talk was followed by discussion and questions lasting 15 minutes.

03/06 Regional Advisor's Update

Dr Euan Shearer gave a short presentation about recent developments in critical care medicine training in the network. There was a 45-minute discussion about Modernising Medical Careers and Critical Care Medicine with a focus on the proposed common stem training incorporating critical care medicine, emergency medicine, acute medicine and anaesthesia. Dr Shearer will take AMICU's comments to planned meetings with Deanery colleagues over the next few weeks.

04/06 Business Meeting

04/06/01 Dr Francis Andrews, an ITU and emergency medicine consultant from Whiston Hospital, was elected as the new Secretary of AMICU. The association thanked Dr Masterson, the outgoing secretary, for his work over the last 6 years.

04/06/02 Dr Tweedie announced that Dr Jane Harper had been elected to the ICS council. Dr Harper thanked those in the audience who had voted for her and received a warm applause.

04/06/03 Dr Tweedie announced his intention to become the Cheshire and Mersey Critical Care Network Lead Clinician, and asked for nominations for a new Chairman of AMICU.

04/06/04 Dr Tweedie announced that another regional workshop on ICP management was being planned at the Walton Centre for Neurology and Neurosurgery on Friday 12th May. For further details, members should contact Mr Neil Buxton's secretary at WCNN.

04/06/05 Dr Tweedie reminded the audience to return their sepsis bundle audit forms to Suzanne Denley at the network.

05/06 Any Other Business

There was no further business for discussion and Dr Tweedie brought the meeting to an end.

06/06 Date of next meeting

The 58th AMICU meeting will be the Summer meeting on the afternoon of Friday 16th June at the Quality Hotel, Little Sutton. Mr John Brennan, consultant in vascular surgery at the Royal Liverpool University Hospital, will talk about endovascular aorta replacements (EVARs) and their impact on critical care.

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