

# WORLD ORTHOPAEDIC CONCERN (UK)

Minutes of the Meeting held on

Saturday, 20th.May, 2006

(being the combined Executive and Full Meeting)

**Present:** H.I.Robinson(Chairman), S.K.Wood(Treasurer), D.Boot, L.Deliss, C.Lavy, Luke McSweeney, S.Tennant, K.Tuson, G.Walker, J.Cashman (Website Manager), S.Newton (Membership Secretary),

**Apologies:** M.Beverly, M.Binns, G.Evans, S.Fullilove, M.Greiss, C.Howell, D.Jones, Lis McSweeney, R.Owen, J.Parker, D.Sammon, B.Scammell, M.Wood,

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting** held 20.1.2006. - agreed

**Matters arising from the Minutes** . Nil.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tabled and accepted.

Regarding the £1440.00 in the Malawi Theatre Fund. It was agreed that Jim Harrison should spend this on equipment for theatre in Blantyre.

Additional funds for Cambodia: £5.500 for general funds. A further £1900 to be available should

a suitable candidate for training in Ganga Hospital require it.

**Membership Report:** Database & Spreadsheet now done although some members had not replied to confirm their details. The Handbook is to be printed shortly.

**BOTA Report:** BOTA now has a website with a link to WOC(UK).

John Cashman agreed to compile a list of hospitals prepared to take trainees.

## Overseas Reports:

**Ethiopia: Report of Ponseti Course** from S.Tennant. Follow-up arrangements need to be secure and manufacture of braces. Cure have offered to fund Surgeons for follow-up; Ethiopiaid may contribute to Follow-up costs..

Dr. Woubalem doing very well since her return from Egypt and has requested a subscription for the **Journal of Paediatric Orthopaedics**. Sally is investigating the possibility of a copy being donated, it was agreed that WOC would give financial support if necessary.

The Visiting Trainee for this year is Dr.Birhanu. Sue Fullilove, Magdi Greiss & John Cashman have agreed to host the visit.

There is **need of a Trainer for an Arthroscopy Course** - the equipment is available but is unused at present.

**Cambodia:** Report from D.Boot on present, improving, situation tabled.

**India:** No report

**Malawi** Going well with GB Trainees but local doctors are not keen to train in orthopaedics.. K.Tuson to contact Clair Marks regarding recognition of Blantyre post.

**Nepal:** No report.

**Palawan:** L.Deliss Report. Mrs.Socrates is working locally in Rehabilitation. Funding for training courses may be requested later..

Website:[www.britishpalawantrust.org.uk](http://www.britishpalawantrust.org.uk)

**South Africa:** Plaster Workshops to be run next year.

