International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation Minutes of the 6th meeting held on 21-22 June 1995 Utstein Abbey, Stavanger, NORWAY

95/01

Present:

Douglas Chamberlain (ERC) (Co-Chairman)

Richard Cummins (AHA) (Co-Chairman)

ERC

John Bland Leo Bossaert Pierre Carli

Francisco de Latorre Wolfgang Dick Ank van Drenth Stig Holmberg Tony Handley Svein Hapnes Erik Sandoe Petter Steen Franco Valagussa

AHA

Lance Becker Leon Chameides Nisha Chandra

David Zideman

Carol Evans (in attendance)

Mary Fran Hazinski

Ahamed Idris
Bill Montgomery
Vinay Nadkarni
Joe Ornato
Linda Quan
Arno Zaritsky

HSFC

Brian Connolly

RCSA

Walter Kloeck

Efraim Kramer

ARC

Vic Callanan Mervyn Allen

95/02 Welcome and Introduction

The Co-Chairmen welcomed the committee and asked members to introduce themselves and announce their sponsoring organisation. An address list was circulated for later distribution with the minutes. (Appendix 95/1)

95/03 Review of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The amended minutes of the 4th International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILC) meeting held in Richmond were re-presented and approved. The minutes of the 5th ILC meeting in Mainz were also approved. The afternote referencing subsequent meeting dates were incorrect. The dates of future meetings are given in minutes (95/08)

95/04 Review of Committee Purpose and Membership

Douglas Chamberlain reminded attendees that the purpose of the committee was liaison between member organisations with the primary objective of moving towards global guidelines for resuscitation. It has no status independent of its constituent organisations. He reiterated the importance of autonomy of the member organisations, which would use any recommendations as a resource in drawing up their own guidelines.

The Co-Chairmen addressed the issue of committee participation and reminded attendees that the decisions regarding attendance at future meetings remains with their respective sponsoring organizations. It is only the parent organisation that constitute the memberhip of the ILC. Each organisation nominates representatives for meetings according to the formula already agreed: ERC (6), North America (7) (comprised of AHA (6) and HSFC (1)), RCSA (3) and ARC (3). From time to time additional individuals may be invited as observers, as has happened in this present meeting. Strict limitation of participant numbers as a norm has the advantages of cost containment and efficiency. The official representatives should retain their status and responsibilities only until the beginning of the next meeting, unless renominated. Maintaining representation between meetings will permit continuing activity.

95/05 Funding and Support of the ILC

The chairmen requested feedback from constituent organisations concerning funding issues. Many attendees stressed that their organisations had limited resources and that funding was an issue for coming to distant ILC meetings. Douglas Chamberlain reported that after some investigation and exchange of correspondence that the World Health Organisation was unable to assist the ILC with support. They had suggested, however, collaboration whereby funding might come from industry to allow financial assistance. This was not considered to be practicable in the short term. Therefore, other opportunities should be explored. One prominent retired businessman in the United Kingdom had already offered to assist in fundraising from major national and international companies. Any further suggestions from the members should be directed to the chairmen.

95/06 Update on International CPR Awareness Day

Walter Kloeck recommended that the intended CPR Awareness Day remain a future project for the ILC, but the establishment of new guidelines has higher priority.

95/07 Arrangements for Working Groups

Richard Cummins outlined the format for the remainder of the meeting. Working groups for ALS, BLS, and PLS would convene and continue their work. (Their minutes form apendices 95/2, 95/3, and 95/4.)

The Chairmen emphasised that the draft proposals contained within the minutes are working documents only. They should have limited circulation and should be regarded as confidential.

95/08 Dates for Subsequent Meetings

The seventh (7th) ILC meeting will be in Atlanta, October 26-27, 1995. The eighth (8th) meeting will take place in Montreal, May 13-14, 1996. A proposal was made for the ninth (9th) meeting to be held September 10-11, 1996 in Melbourne.

Second Meeting 1995:

October 26-27, 1995

ATLANTA GEORGIA USA

American Society of Anesthesiologists

First Meeting 1996:

May 15-19, 1996

MONTREAL CANADA

Emergency Cardiac Care Update Conference

Second Meeting 1996:

To Be Determined

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