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Minutes of the 9th ILC Meeting
International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR)
The AHA National Center
7272 Greeville Avenue, Dallas, Texas
14-15 November, 1996

96/01

Present:

Douglas Chamberlain (ERC) (Co-chairman) Richard O. Cummins, (AHA) (Co-chairman)

ERC:

Douglas Chamberlain Ank van Drenth Tony Handley Petter Steen Robert Bingham

AHA:

Richard O. Cummins
Lance Becker
William Montgomery
Joe Ornato
Arthur Sanders
John Kattwinkel
Bill Thies
FG Stoddard
Carol Evans
Vinay Nadkarni
Mary Fran Hazinski

HSFC:

Brian Connelly

RCSA:

Walter Kloeck Allen Erasmus

ARC:

Vic Callanan Mervyn Allen Jim Tibbals

AHA Staff:

William Thies
Carol Evans
FG Stoddard
Ted Borek
Alyssa del Rio
Lugenia Vaughan

Guests:

Beatriz Champagne Raul Alasino Mario Pieroni.

96/02

Welcome and Introduction

The co-chairpersons, Douglas A. Chamberlain and Richard O. Cummins welcomed the committee members, guests and observers and the host AHA Staff

96/03

Review of the Minutes from 8th ILCOR, Montreal, Quebec; May 15-16, 1996

The minutes were reviewed and no corrections or additions were made. The minutes were approved.

96/04

Review of the purpose and future of ILCOR

Douglas Chamberlain presented a draft of the "Introduction" to the ILCOR Advisory Statements. The Committee discussed again the principles discussed at the Atlanta ILCOR #7 (item 95/13 of the ILCOR #7 minutes). The work of ILCOR is closely integrated into the guidelines processes of the separate resuscitation councils. ILCOR serves currently to provide the initial international scientific review of potential guideline revisions. ILCOR meetings have focused on resolving major and minor differences in the existing resuscitation guidelines, and on proposing areas of recommendations that will be acceptable throughout the world. The forthcoming ILCOR advisory papers will serve to establish written agreement on guidelines that can be promulgated internationally.

96/05

The ILCOR Advisory Statements

- ERC plans to publish the ILCOR Advisory Statements in April, 1997 in a special issue of Resuscitation
- AHA has given permission to publish the ILCOR Advisory Statements in Circulation
- January 1, 1997: deadline for the ILCOR Advisory statements for the Circulation
- Key to acceptance and influence in AHA training network: depends on how the advisory statements are presented: "must do" or "advisory"
- The Future of ILCOR: a whole group discussion in which all attendees were invited to give their issues, questions and comments. Cummins: in a sense by April, 1997, the first goals of ILCOR will have been completed. Should the committee "sundown?". What are some future forms that ILCOR should evolve to?
 - Will the group need to enlarge?
 - Will we move to more of a Council? What about Latin America? CLAR (Inter-American Resuscitation Council) needs representation because of their mission in Latin America.

- What about funding?
- Should ILCOR exist, not as a dead Council, but in a state of suspended animation?
- Chamberlain: ILCOR #10 will be end of Douglas Chamberlain's rule
- Allen: meetings need to be run better, more focused, tighter
- Montgomery: annual meeting is extraordinarily useful. Serves to identify and review the science.
- Mission statement should be reviewed at the start of every meeting.
- Brian Connelly: it is worthwhile continuing. Provides more opportunities for sharing educational successes and science
- Sanders: have a strategic planning session to determine what our future should be: outcomes evaluation? educational approaches? EMS systems' best operating principles? how do we do the evaluation of the outcomes of ECC and resuscitation?
- Callanan: I thought this would be the last meeting. Need to get value for the money since it costs so much for Australians and South Africans to travel to USA and Europe.
- Becker: need to expand the mission statement. What is the next set of reasons for us to come together?
- Handley: I would put in a strong plea for continued meetings. Core: continue
 to maintain agreement. We do not want to waste the work that we have already
 done.
- Bingham: agree that we should meet to make sure we do not diverge again.
- Ornato: what about video-conferencing? A low cost alternative? What about the internet?
- Chamberlain: have ILCOR meet at an annual meeting that we would normally go to anyway.
- Thies: need to do strategic planing. Need to look for funding opportunities.
 AHA could go and look for resources to support the activities.
- Hazinski: every minutes should have the mission statement at the start. There are several things in the mission statement that we have not yet addressed. What do we need to do at Brighton?

96/06

Summaries of Remaining Working Group Issues from the Working Groups This meeting is the last person-to-person opportunity to review and complete the ILCOR Advisory Statements. Each Working Group summarized the current status of their Working Group Statements, identifying the remaining areas of discussion and controversy.

BLS Working Group (Tony Handley)

- Universal BLS algorithm
- Other topics: education, when to call, pump and blow rate and death, elimination of choking, de-emphasis of pulse check; D-ABC vs. ABC-D; recovery position

Pediatric Life Support Working Group (Vinay Nadkarni)

Breathing: 30-60 ventilations per minute for the newly born.

- Pulse check: lack of peds specific data.
- Chest compressions: big issue: when to start? current start CPR if HR<60. Support rate of 100/minute
- Compression /ventilation: universal for 5 to 1 for the child and 3 to 1 for the infant
- Recovery position. Foreign body obstructions: back blows for children.
 Differences exists; and the actual practice will differ locally.
- Barrier protection and devices: mention the issue, but local practices differ.
- AED in pediatrics?
- Action areas where new research is needed.

Advanced Life Support Working Group (Walter Kloeck)

- Early defibrillation, AEDs status; AHA Vs ERC on PAD (Public Access Defibrillation)
- Will concentrate on completion of ILCOR Advisory Statements tomorrow.

Day 2: Nov. 15, 1996

96/07

CLAR (Council Latino Americano Resuscitation) representatives, Raul Alasino and Mario Pieroni from Argentina were introduced and welcomed. Beatrix Champagne, from the Interamerican Heart Foundation presented a useful overview of the IAHF program. This program shares the mission of the AHA: support of prevention, healthy heart, and educational activities in Latin American. AHA is a member of IAHF with 20 other organizations, including Canada. The Associations work together in a number of areas. Passed around document about IAHF. Task forces on prevention children, primary and secondary. Also developing their ECC programs. The ECC group met in New Orleans.

We need to figure out how to formalize the IAHF and the CLAR relationships. Jim Moller will be the president of the IAHF. IAHF has same mission as the AHA in the USA

96/08

Should we have further ILCOR meetings? ILCOR#10 in Brighton? We can use Brighton as a brief strategy meeting to address 1/year or 2/year ILCOR schedule. Roles to play were discussed: annual brief statements? more involved in implementation of guidelines and training? should ILCOR have coordinating role in research? should ILCOR have role in setting 2000 guidelines panels of experts? Funding issues? Thies: try and get the AHA Corporate development Division to help raise funds. Sanders: should be a longer meeting than .5 day.

After much discussion we resolved that ILCOR #10 will be hosted by the European Resuscitation Council in Brighton, England in association with the ERC Guidelines Conference. This meeting will be April11-12, 1997, but the exact dates for ILCOR #10 are not yet established. Resolution: ILCOR#10: April 10

96/09

Corporate development proposal.

November, 1996

We discussed submitting a proposal to the Corporate Development Committee that they include the ILCOR in the causes around which they solicit funds to support ILCOR. Carol Evans will find out more from Corporate Development regarding the process that needs to be followed. We will continue discussions on this topic in the weeks to follow.

96/10

The American Heart Association's Public Access Defibrillation II Conference will be held in Crystal Springs, Maryland, immediately after the ERC Guidelines Conference; dates are April 17-19, 1997. Some possibilities for future meetings:

- "Brighton:- 1997
- ECCU'98; Orlando Florida 1998
- Australia: Spark of Life Congress: 1999
- AHA Guidelines 2000
- World Congress of Cardiology: Rio (April)
- Resuscitation Africa: 2001
- Resuscitation Europe: 2002

96/11

Working Groups Breakouts and Reports

The committee attendees divided into the three working groups of Basic Life Support, Advanced Life Support and Pediatric Life Support for break-out discussions for more than half of the meeting time. These discussions focused on revising the final drafts of the ILCOR statements from each working group. The details of these discussions are presented in the minutes of the respective working groups.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard O. Cummins Douglas Chamberlain