

ACC Board Meeting Friday 24th May 2024

<p>Title</p> <p>Opening: Led by SH based on St Luke ch 24 the Emmaus Road encounter and led in prayer.</p> <p>In attendance: Sue Monckton-Rickett, Chair (SMR); Chris Williams, Deputy Chair (CW); Tony Ruddle (TR); Sharon Hastings (SH); Peter Roberts (PR); Sean Charlesworth (SC); Leroy Harley (LR); Gathoni Hamilton-Foster (GHF); Wein Fung (WF).</p> <p>Kathy Spooner (KS)</p> <p>Apologies: Christine Pinder (CP); Phil Martin (PM).</p>
<p>Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th April 2024</p> <p>The minutes were approved.</p> <p>Matters Arising & Reviewed actions:</p> <p>No date for an MOU meeting has been received.</p> <p>A Scottish government representatives asked for a meeting with ACC to discuss the submission that ACC had made to the Consultation on the Ban on Conversion Therapy. The representatives expressed thanks to ACC for their balanced and well considered responses. The meeting was a very positive one. CW thanked the Board for their input by working through the submission.</p> <p>SMR thanked KS and those who helped on the immense amount of time and work in creating such a large and comprehensive submission to the PSA for the Full Review.</p> <p>SMR reminded everyone that nominations for Board members needed to be in by 29th May including current Board members wishing to stand for re-election.</p> <p>The actions were reviewed.</p> <p>AOB: KS shared a potential conflict of interest with regard to her being interviewed for the role of trustee for another organisation.</p>
<p>Conflict of Interest: - No one declared anything new.</p>
<p>Ethnic Tapestry: Ellen Yun attended the meeting to discuss the status of the concerns that she had raised about the editorial in Winter 2022/23 Accord. EY felt that the needed actions had been lost for various reasons including the changes in personnel when the previous editor left.</p> <p>There was a discussion between EY and Board members about Accord, and how the concerns could be addressed.</p>
<p>Standing items</p> <p>RAP/PSA - PSA is seeking to conduct research on sexual misconduct in practice and wish accredited registers holder or to be involved. SMR asked SC and he confirmed that he would represent ACC. SMR to connect him to PSA contact</p> <p>Diversity & Inclusion - CW reported on Coalition for Inclusion and Anti-Oppressive Practice holding a forum on the "Race is Complicated Toolkit" and that member organisations were being asked to provided facilitators for breakout rooms and also to encourage members to attend. CW to attend if possible as ACC representative. SH commented that she hoped that many Christian organisations will learn and use the anti-oppressive toolkit.</p> <p>Legal / Governance Updates - SMR provided an update on The Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act, which came into force in March 2024. Highlighting the key changes and implications for ACC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New rules for registered office addresses.• Changes to the confirmation statement• Registered email address <p>SMR also said that that there are some proposed changes to marketing standards, which she will investigate further.</p>

CEO REPORT

KS provided an update on staff

KS reported on an issue with the online renewal system. The Board explored the issue fully and the cost to correct it. PR recommended that we should carry out the work and that this would be met out of general funds. The Board agreed this proposal.

PSA Review - update and all submitted papers were provided to Board members

SCoPEd - KS shared the paper on the Top-Up training as a route to accreditation and Column B SCoPEd. TR asked if this affects the information that had been given to the PSA about accreditation KS said this proposal is line with the submission to the PSA. KS said the course will be externally reviewed.

TR proposed we accept the proposal but highlighted that we need to fully understand the risks and implications of the decision. SMR said that she would like all Board members to take more time to consider the proposals rather than make a decision in this meeting, she proposed that all of the proposals are considered by Board members and they submit questions, concerns, raise risks by Tuesday to SMR and then there will be a summary of how they answered and then the Board will be asked to approve via e-mail

The 2024 ACC Objectives were reviewed and identified some areas that due to current pressures have to be held back. TR suggested a review of team responsibilities may be helpful - SMR noted this. Board agreed to that we should stick to our core business and consolidate rather than start new projects.

Finance Report

PR presented the 2023 Annual Accounts that had been independently reviewed by Stewardship. PR thanked SMR for her assistance and to Sarah Crispin of Stewardship. PR explained the annual report and accounts. SMR spoke to the review of the 2023 year.

Thanks were expressed to PR and Keith Payne for the report and the guidance he gives.

SMR propose the approval of the Annual Report and Accounts for 2023 and this was agreed unanimously.

March Management Accounts - were reviewed.

Chair Report

Complaints Update - No official complaints in 2024, but some concerns had been received and processed

Articles of Association - no further actions at this time.

AGM/Board Nominations - a reminder that these need to be submitted.

Board Training - a full list of training from organisations such as NCVO was provided to Board members, who were encouraged to consider what they would like to attend.

Risk Register - ACC have both an external and internal risk register. It is proposed to provide time at next Board meeting to review both.

AOB

The Board considered KS potential trusteeship. The Board did not believe that there was any conflict of interest that should prevent KS from applying for this.

GHF reported on Uganda that they have just finished some pastoral care training. They were self-sponsored.

Next meeting: 11th July 2024

Approved

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Chair of ACC

11 July 2024