

INTERNATIONAL CANCER INFORMATION SERVICE GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Conference Call of March 4, 2009

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Enclosures – distributed prior to the conference call with the agenda:

- Agenda
- Minutes of Board meeting December 3, 2008
- Application for ICISG membership

1. Opening remarks and adoption of minutes of meeting

- ❑ Chris T. welcomed everyone and introduced the agenda.
- ❑ The minutes of the Board conference call of December 3, 2008 were approved with minor corrections. Irene M. will send minutes to ICISG members by listserv and will post on the ICISG website.

2. ICISG membership application

- ❑ An application was received from the organization *Hope for Cancer Kids* based in Nairobi, Kenya. There was not enough information in the application for the Board to approve associate membership. Irene M. will follow up with the organization and request more information.

3. European Cancer Information Service Workshop

- ❑ Monika P. updated the board on the European CIS workshop held in February 2009. Board members Roshini G., Martin L., Silvia D. Marianne D. and Francesco DeL participated in this workshop.
- ❑ Monika P. said the meeting was very positive and the European CIS groups were interested in working together. Future results from this meeting would include, a possible newsletter, having a European chapter of ICISG, sharing results of their user survey, possible funding from EU for 2010.

4. Follow up from Geneva workshop

- ❑ Chris T. will talk to Marion M. about the follow up with the participants from the Geneva course. Marion is heading up a work group to contact participants.

- All Board members can send their ideas on CIS topics for the program for the next UICC Cancer Congress. These should be sent to Chris T for follow-up.
- Board members will assess the need of ICISG to have a presence at the next UICC Cancer Conference in Beijing in 2010.

5) UICC Memorandum of Understanding

- Ana O. expressed that UICC wants to renew our MOU. Ana and Chris T. to work on the MOU between UICC and ICISG. UICC hopes that ICISG will become a member of the UICC prior to the 2010 Cancer Congress.

6) Board member news

- Mary Anne B. will forward the Obama-Biden Cancer Plan to the Board.
- Heather L. will inform the Board when the ERSPC and PLCO RCT are released.

7) Next conference call and face-to-face meeting

- Irene M will send out proposed dates for next conference call in June 2009
- The face-to-face meeting will be in London in September – dates to be confirmed.