International Academy of Pathology

Task Force for the Way Ahead

Preliminary Report

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Timeline

- Task Force met by video conference in June 2009
- Draft report prepared; circulated for comment in July 2009
- Comments reviewed and collated
- List of comments compiled for further review in October 2009
- Task Force asked for opinions on list by January 2010
- Consensus achieved in some areas; others require further deliberation
- Task Force met in person on March 19, 2010 to discuss areas for further consideration

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Topic Areas of Focus

Communications & Marketing

Budget

Constitution & By-laws

Office of the Secretariat

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Communications & Marketing

Consensus on Concepts Reached:

- Encourage mentors at national/regional meetings
- Recommend use of bronze medallion as official logo
- Electronic IAP news bulletin presents beautifully
- Improve use of electronic communications – move toward electronic distribution/tools
- Proceed to consolidate/change IAP website
- IAP does not compete with its divisions

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Communications & Marketing

No Consensus Reached Yet – More Discussion Needed

- "IAP is World's Leading Pathology Organization"
  - A sensitive topic
  - Improve communications globally
  - More non-American officers may assist image
  - Continue to work on this issue
- "Direct-to-Members" is not an IAP concept

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Budget

Consensus on Concepts Reached:

- Employ an external auditor
  - Increase awareness

- Change the allocation of resources through Treasurer & Financial Committee policies

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Constitution & By-Laws

Consensus on Concepts Reached:

- Encourage more active VPs
- Review & update Con & By-Laws to clarify officers' duties
- Review & define roles of Past Presidents
- Encourage regular meetings of IAP officers
- Encourage regular meetings of regional division officers (feedback to IAP)
- Integrate divisions & officers into scientific / committees

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Constitution & By-Laws

No Consensus Reached – More Discussion Needed

- Change “Division” to “Academy”

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Office of the Secretariat

Consensus on Concepts Reached:

- Explore where to archive IAP documents and materials
- No need to explore adding outside professional services to assist IAP administration
- Not an immediate need, but might explore IAP office providing meeting planning support

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Next Steps

The Task Force plans to prepare a final report in time for consideration at October IAP meeting in Brazil.

Report expected to outline specific areas of consensus and suggested next steps for the IAP future.