

Intersociety Pathology Council
 Executive Officer, Mark E. Sobel, MD, PhD
Minutes of the Meeting of March 18, 2012
Vancouver, BC

2012 IPC Meeting Attendees	
Member Society	Attendee
Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians & Scientists	Mark Wener, MD
American Academy of Forensic Sciences/Pathology-Biology Section	Mary Ann Sens, MD, PhD
American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Path	Susan Muller, MDM, MS
American Association of Neuropathologists	Raymond A. Sobel, MD
American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	Susan Muller, MDM, MS
American Board of Pathology	Betsy D. Bennett, MD, PhD
American College of Veterinary Pathologists	John Cullen, VMD, PhD
American Registry of Pathology	Michael D. Parry
American Society for Clinical Pathology	C. Bruce Alexander, MD E. Blair Holladay, PhD Jeff Jacobs
American Society for Investigative Pathology	Mark E. Sobel, MD, PhD
American Society of Cytopathology	Daniel F.I. Kurtycz, MD
Arthur Purdy Stout Society of Surgical Pathology	Christopher Fletcher, MD
Association for Molecular Pathology	Mary Williams, MNA
Association for Pathology Informatics	Ronald S. Weinstein, MD
Association of Pathology Chairs	Ann Thor, MD
Canadian Association of Pathologists	Diponkar Banerjee, BBChB, PhD
College of American Pathologists	Stanley Robboy, MD Gene N. Herbeck, MD Charles Roussel
Intersociety Council for Pathology Information	Mark E. Sobel, MD, PhD
National Association of Medical Examiners	Mary Ann Sens, MD, PhD
Papanicolaou Society of Cytopathology	Daniel F.I. Kurtycz, MD
Society for Pediatric Pathology	Cynthia Kaplan, MD
US & Canadian Academy of Pathology	Bruce R. Smoller, MD
NOT REPRESENTED THIS YEAR- reports submitted	
Association of Clinical Scientists	
Association of Directors of Anatomic & Surgical Pathology	
American Osteopathic College of Pathologists	
Dept of Veterans Affairs - Pathology & Laboratory Medicine Services	

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Sobel convened the meeting at 8:10 a.m., welcomed the attendees, and gave an overview of the agenda. The roster of the Council was circulated for the representatives to verify their contact information. The attendees observed a moment of silence in memory of Dr. Bill Gardner.

Approval of the Minutes

The Council approved the minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2011, as submitted.

Administrative Report

On behalf of ICPI, Dr. Sobel presented the Secretariat Administrative Report. Dr. Sobel reminded the Council that the IPC website www.interpathcouncil.org includes a calendar of events and that representatives should contact him if there are any changes or additions to planned meetings so the website calendar can be updated. An invitation for members of IPC to join ICPI as Associate Members in 2012 was discussed. Associate Members will be invited to certain ICPI meetings, will be eligible to place a one-page listing in The Directory of Pathology Training Programs, add their events to the calendar in the book, and their trainee members will be eligible to apply to the ICPI Trainee Travel Grant Program for \$500 (or \$750 with an abstract submission) scholarships to attend a meeting of the member society. In addition, ICPI selected a winner of a video contest to promote pathology as a career in medicine; the links to YouTube on the ICPI website homepage at www.pathologytraining.org.

Financial Report

The IPC Fund Balance is \$19,652.66. The Intersociety Council for Pathology Information (ICPI) covered all 2011 administrative costs (\$7,786) for the IPC. ICPI has agreed to cover costs for 2012. In addition to support from ICPI, USCAP donates the meeting room and breakfast catering for the annual meeting of the IPC.

Reports from Member Societies' Representatives

Representatives of each society took the opportunity to update the Council on their societies' activities. Submitted reports from each society are posted on the IPC website at www.interpathcouncil.org. Reports received from non-attendees will also be added to the website.

The Council discussed at some length upcoming manpower shortages in pathology in general and in some specific subspecialties. Dr. Alexander, who is on the board of the NRMP, discussed the recent residency match results, highlighting that 55 positions in 33 (out of 146 programs) did not fill. Only 50% of positions were filled by US medical school graduates, a decrease of 100 since 2011.

- The ABMS is finalizing its search for a new CEO.
- The ABMS is planning to list all diplomats on its website and whether they are participating in Maintenance of Certification, even for those who are not required to participate.
- Certification in Clinical Informatics will be a joint certification by the American Board of Preventive Medicine and the ABP, with the former taking the lead in administration at this time. There are three pathologists on the test committee (Mark Tuthill, Ul Balis, and Anil Parwani). It is expected that individuals will be grandfathered for eligibility to sit for a certification exam based on experience (at least 25% effort for the past 4 years) until 2014.
- Dr. Kurtycz praised Dr. Andrew Field from St. Vincent's Hospital in Sydney, Australia for his efforts to develop a sustainable process for cytopathology in Sub Saharan Africa.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Next meeting:

The next IPC meeting will be in Baltimore at the 2013 USCAP Annual Meeting (March 3).

Minutes submitted by Mark E. Sobel, MD, PhD, ICPI Executive Officer