

Present

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1. Welcome

Jean-Paul Goulet, representing the host country for the IADR meeting, and the new Director Thomas List welcomed members and guests to the eighth Annual Consortium Meeting.

2. Executive Committee Reports

a. Minutes from the last meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, 21 March 2007, held in New Orleans, LA were read by Mauro Farella and were unanimously accepted.

b. Status report from the Consortium Network

Thomas List reported the current status of the Consortium and provided a short summary of activities in the consortium during the last year.

Thomas List reported that the "Cochrane Collaboration: Oral Health Group" requested feedback from the International RDC/TMD Consortium Network regarding: (1) a list of potential reviewers for meta-analyses and/or systematic reviews; (2) priorities for the works in progress; (3) new topics for future reviews.

Mark Drangsholt announced the Symposium "Orofacial Pain in Children and Adolescents" to be held during this IADR meeting on Saturday, 5 July 2008

c. Workshop summary Validation Studies of the RDC/TMD: Progress toward Version 2

Peter Svensson briefly summarized the outcome of the workshop “Studies of the RDC/TMD: Progress toward Version 2”, which was held on Wednesday, 2 July, 8:30 am – 04:00 pm.

d. Status report of the Consortium Website

Richard Ohrbach demonstrated the new features of the new Consortium website that is now hosted at the University at Buffalo and which is based on public domain software which allows easier modification by the users. The website content has been updated with respect to instruments, languages, and current translations, but it still needs to be further expanded. Ohrbach requested all Consortium members to consider volunteering to populate the “Recent Abstracts” section of the website.

e. Financial report

Treasurer Mark Drangsholt reported on the financial balance of the Consortium (see enclosure). The treasurer stressed that the balance is in good shape, thanks in part to a donation from Malmö University but which will be used to pay for some of the RDC/TMD workshop expenses.

f. Membership

Due to increased visibility and to conversion to a Network of the IADR, there are currently 65 members from approximately 19 countries; among those, 24 are dental student members.

3. Committee Reports

a. Translations and Protocols

Ohrbach used flowcharts to illustrate the five-stage process leading to a valid cross-cultural adaptation of translations of the RDC/TMD and of other instruments. He stressed the need to involve other people to support this challenging task which is now the standard for any instruments posted on the website.

b. Examiner Training and Reliability

Yoly Gonzalez stressed the need of implementing modification of the current criteria used to train examiners. But the question of how to train trainers arose. Dominik Ettlín also suggested the need to train examiners in imaging interpretation.

c. Research and Publications

Research has been mainly based on individual contributions rather than being Consortium driven.

d. Data collection and Management

Aim of this committee was to develop a flexible WEB interface to perform multi-center randomized controlled trials using the RDC/TMD criteria. Since last year, however, there has been little progress. To speed up the project it may be necessary worthwhile to submit a grant proposal.

4. Installation of Treasurer

Don Nixdorf, the new treasurer, was installed by the nominating committee, Ohrbach and Schmitter.

5. Topics for Symposia and workshops at IADR 2009

The following topics were suggested:

- fMRI Imaging in orofacial pain (T List)
- Cross-cultural aspects of orofacial pain (T List)
- Extension of diagnostic criteria to neuropathic/vascular pain
- Epidemiology of TMD and risk factors (A Velly)
- Co-morbidity between non-organic chronic TMD pain and functional somatoform disorders (JP Goulet)
- Expansion of Axis II diagnoses (Palla S)
- Diagnostic criteria for orofacial pain conditions in a broader context (D Ettlin)

The last topic was considered premature for the next IADR meeting (Svensson), also because a consensus about progression from RDC/TMD I to RDC/TMD II was still not reached (Gonzalez).

Dworkin suggested that a future symposium should solely focus on introductory issues needed to produce a broader orofacial pain classification system in the future.

Schiffman proposed to reach a consensus on RDC/TMD II and then to start working on a third revision of the RDC/TMD classification system. The need to produce publications about previous work was stressed (Ohrbach), also to increase credibility of the Consortium group (Dworkin).

6. Emergence of RDC/TMD I to RDC/TMD II

The importance of facilitating the development from RDC/TMD I to RDC/TMD II was pointed out several times and that this transfer should be conducted as soon as possible. Mixed impressions of the business meeting participants were also reported; some expressed that they were fine with the new proposed version of the RDC/TMD whereas others were more hesitant. Several pointed out that a consensus meeting was important to reach an agreement on the RDC/TMD II.

7. Committee membership

The Committees need more involved active members. List suggested that members contact him if they are interested to participate in any of committees.

Mauro Farella