

## ASTMH COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL HEALTH (ACGH)

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### **Subgroup Meeting Minutes**

Sunday, October 25, 2015  
3:30 – 5:30 pm  
ASTMH 64th Annual Meeting  
October 25-29, 2015  
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

**President: Johanna Daily, MD**  
**Secretary/Treasurer: Ramin Asgary, MD, MPH**  
**Minutes by Christina Polyak, MD, MPH**

#### In attendance:

Johanna Daily, MD, President  
Juliette Morgan, MD, President-elect  
Leslie Enane, MD, Secretary-Treasurer-elect  
Jessica Fairley, MD, Councilor  
Teshome Gebre, PhD, Councilor  
Richard Reithinger, BSc MSc DiplEcon PhD,  
Councilor  
Ammar Abbdo  
Koya Allen  
Maciej Boni  
Deena Budfor  
Roland Cooper

Dorothy Echodu  
Patrick Kachur  
Gagik Karapetyan  
Kim Lindblade  
Wil Milhous  
Larry Mullay  
Daouda Ndiaye  
Jooyoung Park  
Julie Pavlin  
Christina Polyak  
Katherine Taylor

- d. Membership gives a little funding too
- e. Leadership can consider additional funding

- 5. Update original charter for group – same mission as parent group
  - a. Educate re global health
  - b. Recruitment
  - c. Foster collaboration
  - d. Recognize outstanding contributions via awards
  - e. (see agenda)

#### 6. Subgroups

- a. Student advocacy subgroup
  - i. Two student events –

- 1. Peer to Peer networking session –panel discussion of mentorship, how to gain first position in global health, then networking exercise – 60 students preregistered, some late students too
- 2. Speed networking event with experts
  - a. Opportunity for them to speak with experts
  - b. Run like speed dating – 5 min per expert, try to build relationship – Tuesday night
  - c. Jointly with the clinical subgroup – so doubled in size, 40 experts and 80 students-(very successful!)
  - d. Some of our funds support food and beverage
- 3. Do we have any tracking mechanism? We do a post event feedback from experts and students
  - a. Learning routes, confidence building, finding positions
  - b. Could send out a survey to participants
  - c. Global health schools must have field experience with structure – Wil Milhous - List published with all NGO donor statements etc. Network for required field experiences, how to get students involved. ASTMH vs CUGH – does it count as one membership vs multiple if schools register and have paid for students.
  - d. M&E for students
- 4. Is Charter still relevant?
  - a. Student part yes
  - b. Recruitment in general as a growth opportunity
    - i. Publicize listserv as recruiting tool – both ACGH and Clinical group

- 1. Introductions –round table of introductions (see sign in list with emails)
- 2. Introduce new leadership
  - a. President – Christina Polyak
  - b. Secretary-Treasurer – Leslie Enane
  - c. Councilor – Koya Allen
  - d. Councilor – Daouda Ndiaye
  - e. How long is the treasurer term? Will check bylaws –note it is **2 year** term.
- 3. Membership update –
  - a. Society 3787, 35% international
  - b. ACGH – 577
  - c. How to keep members, gain interest?
  - d. Dorothy made a map with google earth of our ACGH members; laminated copy as well
    - i. How to tell where they are from? Address or where they identify?
  - e. Split almost evenly between MDs and PhDs
  - f. Rich membership
- 4. Treasury update
  - a. Ramin not here-will link Leslie Enane and Ramin Asgary by email
  - b. Few thousand - \$7k?
  - c. Pre course is big determination re how much money rolls in for next year

- ii. How to better let members know who others members are
  - iii. Can go under membership committee?
    1. Who is on the membership committee?
    2. Takes a lot of time to link map to name – may not be worth it...
    3. On website, there's a way to send out messages to the larger group – click a button and messages goes to all, cut and paste message
    4. Blast email to all re listserv
  - iv. Remind all what rules are
  - v. Pivot? Lots of opportunities on there for post graduate fellows
  - vi. Society put lot of money in their website – we could ask for a page and put our specifics on there
  - vii. Daouda Ndiaye– what can we do better? How to improve training. How to link up with other programs/universities, help African colleagues to know where to look for other opportunities; students here need a field site – can link with universities – e.g. Senegal, how to do this online on the web... can ask Karen G. for some support around that, all the subgroups can network with each other better, how to link research fellows
  - viii. Action item → better develop website and opportunities – will d/w Karen Goraleski
  - ix. Kathy Taylor – faculty members establish partnerships which makes it more sustainable
5. Facilitate dissemination and publication
- a. Review article, global health topic
  - b. How to link to pre-meeting course to a paper?
    - i. In past difficult to write up given ACGH committee members not being able to find time to finish their pieces
  - c. Journal subgroup – still pending ideas for the future
  - d. Wil Milhous - Could there be a difficult cases section? Thinks we put out a global health section a few years ago
  - e. Advocacy piece
    - i. Representative voice from ASTMH
    - ii. How do you bring it back to your university – how to disseminate that? Bring it back to students or members? Teach importance of advocacy... can reach out to own senators and representatives
  - f. An opinion or thought piece from the group to support or address
  - g. Global Health security – how does it intersect with ASTMH's mission and opportunities for funding - what has been done on it and jobs/funding resources (Kim Lindblade –CDC)...
  - h. Pharma pricing and membership advocacy
6. Educate
7. Outstanding contributions, awards
- a. Resource limited award?
  - b. This year's travel award? – we have 2 students with a travel award
7. Subgroups
- a. Updated from meeting: see below
  - b. Should we have an elected student as a councilor? Could help with cross sub group
    - i. Have elected students represent a student subgroup?
    - ii. Have voting rights? Nomination committee? Treat as a councilor – 2 year positions
  - iii. Right now no way to modify charter – Kathy Taylor will look at it – we modified it for the travel grant
- iv. We have student representation but do we want to have them vote?
  - v. We can decide what we decide – grad student? 1 year vs 2 year?
  - vi. For the travel award – we need to look up what travel award restriction is? How did we define student?
    1. Johanna Daily will send survey monkey around
- c. Nominating committee: need names for next president elect
- i. Committee is composed of The ACGH established in their bylaws that the Treasurer (Leslie Enane) will serve as the Chair of the nominations committee and the committee will in addition include the president, (Juliette Morgan) past-president (Johanna Daily) and two ad hoc members.
8. Pre course
- a. Biggest commitment in terms of time
  - b. Needs to be different enough in terms of others- unique
  - c. Global health security
    - i. Different countries can present on different areas
    - ii. Chris Perdue can help
      1. Antimicrobial resistance, workforce development, ebola, mers co-v
  - d. PMI 10 year anniversary – are they planning a symposium → what about malaria elimination? Or elimination science?
    - i. Ebola?
    - ii. Malaria?
  - iii. Focus on general, hepatitis, surveillance, bring in people from other areas
  - iv. How to certify countries as to be disease free
  - v. Transition from control to elimination – start off with Key note
  - vi. President Carter – if healthy
- e. Or global health and the environment
9. We have 1 pre-meeting course and 2 symposia as a ACGH
- a. But other similar sessions – Jessica Fairley will go investigate
10. What about speed hot topics?
- a. 20 minutes on a new method or new topic (Kim Lindblade)
    - i. Ex: program evaluation, health economics, new biostats methods, new programming for tables
    - ii. A survey course
  - b. Lightening talks – 5 minute talks (Julie A)
    - i. Practice talks more, time them to make sure they fit a time range
    - ii. Someone who really is interested with it
    - iii. Invite people to propose
    - iv. Novel format for symposia
      1. Have to submit advance and they are timed
      2. Usually have 5min for 1 hour and 30 min, 1-2 minutes afterwards
      3. This would be a symposium
    - v. NTDs
  - c. Clinical cases by clinical cases – 10 minute cases, something that is unknown
  - d. We make our decision here now so need to vote
  - i. Vote → **Elimination Science for pre-meeting course won**
11. Other topics
- a. Interest in getting students involved – Masters students (Roland Cooper)
  - b. Other networking opportunities or way to link up
    - i. How to get other folks involved
    - ii. Next year ask for session at the end –
  - c. Speed networking – thanking Koya Allen and requests for help for next year
  - d. We pick symposia for ACGH group at business meeting

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### 2017 Leadership

Member	Position	Term Expires
Christina Polyak	President	2017
Ramin Asgary	President-Elect	2017
Juliette Morgan	Past President	2017
Leslie Enane	Secretary/Treasurer	2017
Koya Allen	Councilor	2017
Daouda Ndiaye	Councilor	2017
Ryan Carroll	Councilor	2018
Abiola Fasina	Councilor	2018

### 2016 Leadership

Member	Position	Term Expires
Juliette Morgan	President	2016
Christina Polyak	President-Elect	2016
Johanna Daily	Past President	2016
Leslie Enane	Secretary/Treasurer	2017
Jessica Fairly	Councilor	2016
Teshome Gebre	Councilor	2016
Koya Allen	Councilor	2017
Daouda Ndiaye	Councilor	2017

#### CHARTER OF THE ASTMH COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL HEALTH

##### *Objectives*

The ASTMH Committee on Global Health (ACGH) is organized under the auspices of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH) and has the following objectives:

1. To promote the development of the field of Global Health which addresses multidisciplinary transnational approaches to health issues that unfavorably affect underserved and under-resourced populations.
2. To educate about global health issues inclusive of and in addition to ASTMH's traditional purview of tropical medicine and hygiene through pre-courses, workshops, symposia and abstract presentations
3. To foster collaborations between individuals and groups that address global health issues
4. To facilitate dissemination and publication of global health research
5. To provide recruitment opportunities for individuals interested in pursuing a career in global health.
6. To serve as a representative voice from ASTMH in other Global Health organizations, societies and working groups.
7. To recognize outstanding contributions in Global Health

##### *Meetings*

The ACGH will meet at least annually under the aegis of the ASTMH Annual Meeting.

##### *Membership*

Members in good standing of ASTMH who wish to join ACGH may do so by paying subgroup dues in accordance with rates set by the ACGH Executive Council. ACGH will establish a fund for voluntary donations to be managed by ASTMH. Funds collected on behalf of ACGH from sources such as dues, voluntary donations, etc. will be managed by ASTMH and used for activities that further the objectives of ACGH, including receptions, annual awards, fellowships and international training opportunities, and payment of page charges in the *American*

*Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene* for qualifying articles (e.g. editorials, topical reviews, symposium proceedings, cutting-edge papers, etc.).

##### *Governance*

###### *Executive Council*

There will be elected leadership in the form of an Executive Council consisting of a President, President-Elect, Past President, Secretary-Treasurer and four Councilors. Any active member in good standing is eligible for election to office. The initial leadership of the Committee on Global Health will serve for a total of 18 months.

The President-Elect and President will each serve terms of one year in succession. The Secretary-Treasurer and Councilors serve terms of two years. Terms of office begin at the close of the annual meeting at which the officers were declared elected. All members of the ACGH Executive Council are allowed to vote on Council business. Council members may run for and serve consecutive terms.

The President serves as chief executive officer for the ACGH and presides over meetings of the ACGH Executive Council and the ACGH annual business meeting. The President may fill vacancies among the Councilors by appointing Councilors from the membership to serve until the missing Councilor returns to office or through the remainder of the absent Councilor's term, if return to office is not possible. If the Secretary-Treasurer is unable to complete his/her term, the President will appoint a replacement from the membership to serve until the next annual meeting when a new Secretary-Treasurer will be elected.

The President-Elect presides over meetings of the ACGH in the absence of the President. If the presidency becomes vacant, the President-Elect will serve out the balance of the President's unexpired term before going on to complete his/her originally-scheduled term as President.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the ACGH works with the Secretary-Treasurer of ASTMH to monitor the Committee's finances and to develop its annual budget. The ACGH Secretary-Treasurer, ACGH President, or person determined by the ACGH President maintains minutes of the ACGH Executive Committee and annual business

meeting and compiles reports on ACGH activities for presentation to the ASTMH Council as requested.

#### Elections

The ACGH Executive Council appoints a nominating subcommittee consisting of five active members. No more than three of those members may be current members of the ACGH Executive Council. A slate of candidates for offices to be filled at the next annual meeting will be distributed to ACGH members by mail and/or electronic mail no later than two months prior to the next annual meeting. Members may submit themselves or suggest other active members as candidates to the Chairman of the nominating committee, but the nominating committee will not be obligated to put such individual(s) on the slate unless there is a supporting petition from three active members in addition to the individual proposed.

Election for each office shall be by secret mail and/or electronic mail ballot and determined by majority vote (or by the greatest number of votes if more than two candidates). Results of voting will be announced in the ASTMH newsletter and at the next ACGH annual business meeting.

#### Subcommittees

Subcommittees may be formed to deal with important issues such as awards, pre-course development, fundraising, career opportunities, interfacing with the *American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*, and planning of ACGH-supported symposia and workshops at the ASTMH annual meeting. Members of the ACGH are encouraged to apply to participate on the Global Health Scientific Program Committee, following Society guidelines for participating on the Scientific Program Committee.

#### Awards

##### **ACGH Student Travel Award**

##### **Award Recipients**

##### **2016**

E. Ross Colgate

*University of Vermont*

Louisa Messenger

*London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine*

##### **2015**

Rebecca Fischer

*Baylon College of Medicine, National School of Tropical Medicine*

Marie Nancy Seraphin

*University of Florida*