

Biomedical and Clinical Engineers Association of Ireland - BEAI

Annual General Meeting

Date: Friday the 16th of July 2021

Location: HSE Offices Millenium Business Park, Naas, Co. Kildare

Present: John Adlington
 Brian Kearney
 Eoghan Hayden
 Rob Vavasour
 Frank Kelly
 Brian Farrell

Present via Zoom: Peter Grainger
 Oleg Sholik
 Seamus McGerrall
 Leighton Curry
 Karl Goulding
 Meabh Smith
 Bernard Murphy
 Michelle Roe
 Gagan
 Fathima Rinza
 Gagan Pratap Singh
 Robert Kinsella

Report from outgoing Chairman:

In his report, outgoing Chairperson Brian Kearney thanked all members and sub groups for their commitment to making the BEAI the voice and thought leader of Medical Technology professionals in Ireland.

Brian acknowledged and thanked Karl Goulding from Oxygen Care and Robert Kinesella from Tallaght University Hospital who both resigned from their positions on the Executive Committee.

Regarding events and education, Brian outlined how Covid-19 has curtailed plans to hold in person events but the association has continued to offer virtual events for both education and the Annual Scientific Conference.

The ongoing success of the Spectrum Journal and the input and commitment of Frank Kelly was acknowledged with a call for articles from all members of the association.

Increased Membership, a revamped website and professional development through a draft scheme for the certification of Engineers were all acknowledged.

Brian advised that he has recently been appointed as a collaborator member of the Clinical Engineering Division (CED) of the IFMBE and he will continue to represent the BEAI collaborating with various international bodies.

In reflection on the past 5 years the BEAI has succeeded in serving and advancing the interests of its members with significant growth in how the organisation works with, for and on behalf of the profession of Clinical Engineering. The next step will be to develop a new 5 year plan to shape the direction of association and continue to grow and develop.

Having led the BEAI since 2016, Brian stepped down from the position and he thanked everyone for their support during the period.

Minutes from the 2020 AGM

The minutes from the 2020 AGM were submitted by Brian Farrell, Secretary.

Eoghan Hayden proposed that they were accepted and Frank Kelly Seconded.

Financial Report

The Financial Report was presented by John Adlington Treasurer, John acknowledged the assistance of Oleg Shorlik through the year.

Leighton Curry proposed that the report was accepted and Frank Kelly Seconded.

Education Report

Rob Vavasour delivered a report on the Education events that were carried out during the year.

Fix the remuneration of the the Auditors:

The proposal was forwarded by Brian Farrell and seconded by Frank Kelly

Resignation of Directors:

The following Directors resigned:

John Adlington (as longest serving but standing for re-election)

Robert Kinsella

Karl Goulding

Election of Officers and Committee Members:

The following positions were elected for the coming year:

Chairperson	Eoghan Hayden	The National Maternity Hospital
Secretary	Brian Farrell	Veolia Water Technologies
Vice Secretary	Kieran Healy	Irish Hospital Supplies
Treasurer	John Adlington	Midlands Regional Hospital, Tullamore
Vice Treasurer	Oleg Shrolik	The Mater Hospital
Membership Officer	Seamus McGarrell	St. James's Hospital
Communication Officer	Maighread Gallagher	The National Maternity Hospital
Education Officer	Rob Vavasour	Wassenburg Medical
Spectrum Lead	Frank Kelly	BEAI Executive Member
Professional Development	Brian Kearney	Programme Management Office
IT Officer	Leighton Curry	Tallaght University Hospital

Executive Committee:

John McGivney

St. Luke's Hospital Radiation Oncology Network

Bernard Murphy

Cork University Hospital

Peter Grainger

Naas General Hospital

Meabh Smith

Beaumont Hospital

Eoghan Hayden as the new Chairman of the BEAI thanked Brian Kearney for his contribution and his leadership and drive. He welcomed that Brian will remain involved and wished the new committee well in the future.