

Meeting:	53 Annual Members Meeting		
Location:	7-9 Breems Building and broadcast via Zoom		
Date:	Monday 2 December 2024	Time:	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Chair:	Andy Breen (Honorary Secretary and Trustee)		

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Items

No	Item	Presented by
1.	Welcome and minutes from the last meeting All were welcomed to the 53 rd Annual Members Meeting of the Intensive Care Society.	Hon Secretary, AB
2.	The President's review and handover President and Chair of Trustees, Steve Mathieu reflected on key milestones and achievements during 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representing the Society, its members and the community at the COVID-19 Inquiry to ensure key learning is reflected in preparations for future pandemics. Update to CRITCON to ensure that unit pressure and response is clear and actions are consistent. The resource is now live on NHSE systems to further support adoption and consistency enabling local, regional & national understanding of the strain experienced by any given unit or group of units, that the system can allow appropriate escalation, operational decision-making. Review and updated Guidance for the Transfer of the Critically Ill Adult which is due for release in 2025. Inaugural Road to Research Grants awarded to 5 members of the Society to provide support and access to ICU staff of all backgrounds to conduct a research project or service evaluation under the guidance of a research mentor. Congratulations were made to winners: Nicholas Richards, Sarah Penkett, Joseph Wilson, Fiona Howroyd and Sean Harrington. <p>SM closed with a sincere note of thanks to Sandy Mather for her invaluable contributions to the successes of the Society during her time as Chief Exec.</p>	President, SM

3.	<p>Inbound President welcome</p> <p>Inbound President Shondipon Laha thanked SM. He reflected on the elements in the Society's Strategy 2023-2027 he looked forward to seeing develop further. This includes building on the learning from the pandemic and looking after and advocating for staff and patients, the multi professional workstreams and sustainability initiatives.</p> <p>He thanked colleagues at the Society for their encouragement including past Presidents Gary Masterson and Ganesh Suntharalingam and colleagues at his ICU for their direct support to release his time to conduct Society workstreams.</p>	Incoming President, SL
4.	<p>Chief Executive's report</p> <p>In her last AMM report ahead of retirement, Chief Exec Sandy Mather thanked all members, staff, elected Council and PAGs, Directors of Research, Special Advisors, Committee and Working Group members and everyone who have helped the Society to advance and promote the care and safety of critically ill patients in the last year.</p> <p>Strategic Priority 1: Be an influential leader and the voice of our multi-professional intensive care community, their patients, families and loved ones.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In April the Society's Council members and leads for our National Rehabilitation Collaborative supported the Rehab legends Parliamentary event which saw engagement with over 25 MPs across 5 parties • The All-Party Parliamentary Group on Intensive Care ceased to be once the general election was called. With the new parliament the rules on setting up an APPG are significantly more onerous and we will over the next few months continue to look at the best way to educate and inform Parliamentarians and policy makers about the issues that matter to members and the community. Thanks were extended to co-Chairs of the APPG Sir Gary Streeter who stood down as MP for South West Devon and Rachael Maskell who remains as MP for York Central for their support, advocacy and counsel. <p>Strategic Priority 2: Grow our membership by delivering quality products and services that support current and future members of the intensive care community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following its collaboration with NHS Elect and NHS England the Society published the new AHP Critical Care Capability Framework across 5 professions: Dietetics, SLT, OT, PT and ODP. Many people have contributed to its development and we hosted a lively session at SOA this summer. We are receiving feedback on how it is being implemented from across the country. • We delivered our third multi-professional senior leadership programme – LeaP3. The delegates join our growing LeaP alumni community following the completion of their 9-month leadership programme last month. Applications for LeaP4 are now open until Friday 10 January 2025. • Julie Highfield continues as National Wellbeing Director and she has led the training of 110 peer supporters across the professions in intensive care. • And we collaborated with ANZICS to develop and publish a Guide to setting up Green Teams in ICUs <p>Strategic Priority 3: Influence the implementation of standards, guidelines, policies, quality improvement and research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Society continues to collaborate on GPICS version 3, a joint publication with the FICM which we expect to see published in 2025. • We have collaborated to develop and publish guidelines on Airway management in patients with suspected or confirmed cervical spine injury. This work was led by: Difficult Airway Society (DAS) and involved us, (the Intensive Care Society), as well as Association of Anaesthetists (AoA), British Society of Orthopaedic Anaesthetists (BSOA) Neuro Anaesthesia and Critical Care Society (NACCS), Faculty of Prehospital Care and the Royal College of Emergency Medicine (RCEM). • A major part of our work is to ensure that the needs of Intensive Care is recognised in the wider healthcare environment and this year we have responded to twelve consultations. • We collaborated with National Outreach Forum (NoRF) and the Critical Care National Nurse Network leads (CC3N) to develop and publish a response to Martha's Rule. <p>Strategic Priority 4: Develop an expanded portfolio of quality blended learning activities and accreditation services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year we delivered eight virtual study days for 552 intensive care professionals 	Chief Exec, SJM

	<p>and an increasing number of sponsored webinars which are free to view. The latest one covers the Management of Problematic, new onset SVT/AF in Critical Care, which has over 200 delegates registered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are grateful to our multi professional faculty who have volunteered to organise and speak at these events during the year. • FUSIC® accreditation continues to grow and is highly respected amongst the intensive care community and beyond. • More than 1,300 health care professionals registered to start their accreditation journey with the Society. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Including 66 with the CACTUS Lung module which we developed in collaboration with the Paediatric Critical Care Society. • And together with the Association of Anaesthetists we have been running our fTOE accreditation programme and 50 people have registered this year. • We are grateful to our FUSIC® mentors, supervisors and trainers for their hands-on scanning and advice and guidance to those following our accreditation programme and to the members of our FUSIC® committee for supporting the operational delivery of FUSIC®. • The FUSIC® National Leads on our Committee have collaborated with the Society's learning team to support another 250 candidates into their new roles as trainers, mentors and supervisors across the FUSIC® accreditation pathways. Together we are working on the continuous improvement of the governance and infrastructure across the FUSIC(R) accreditation pathways <p>Strategic Priority 5: For SOA to be the leading Congress based on educational content, professional development opportunities and networking for all those involved in critical care.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We had a successful SOA24 in Liverpool and are now preparing for SOA25 in Birmingham 1-3 July next year. • SOA25 Early bird prices are available until 4 April 2025. <p>2025 OIP</p> <p>Each year the Society develops an Operational Implementation Plan(OIP) that aligns with our budget and sets out what we aim to achieve each year to deliver our strategy. Trustees at their last meeting approved the 2025 OIP.</p> <p>The Society is at a natural transition point, with a new President, Shondipon Laha and in early January our new Chief Executive (Katie Nurcombe) will take up office. A realistic view was taken when developing the OIP and plan our work to ensure we have clarity about what we should seek to achieve. Our OIP identifies the core business Trustees and Council have agreed that we should focus on to deliver in 2025: developing standards and guidance, delivering educational content, SOA25, FUSIC, JICS, Research and providing the benefits our members expect and much, much more.</p> <p>The OIP also identifies the many things we also want to deliver and we will begin to focus on these opportunities later in the year once the new team has bedded in.</p> <p>SJM noted this was her last AMM before retirement and thanked everyone that she had interacted and worked with over the last 7 years. Being CEO of the Intensive Care Society has been the highlight of her professional career. She had the good fortune to work with the very best of people and to work for a charity and membership organisation that has delivered so much and always keeps our charitable purpose; advancing and promoting the care and safety of critically ill patients at the forefront of all our activities. Together as members of the Society and members of staff employed by the Society we have collaborated to deliver far more than we could ever hope to deliver individually.</p>	
5.	<p>Honorary Treasurer's report</p> <p>The Hon Treasurer presented his report and the following points were among those noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trustees' Annual Report for the year to December 2023 included details of the Society's activities and financial results. The financial statements were subject to external audit and received a clean audit report. • The Society continues to benefit from diversity of income sources and operating income grew to £2,070,282 in 2023. 	Hon Treasurer, PD

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership numbers grew to 3,708 at the end of 2023 with an increase in membership income to £729,896. This included a full year of the Society offering Associate memberships for those not directly working in ICU • In 2023 the Society's activities produced an overall contribution back to the charity of £74,279. This is important because in the current financial year we are forecasting a deficit of almost £90,000 due to the high costs and reduced sponsorship for SOA24 as well as reduced income from fundraising and membership subscriptions. • SOA23 was held in Birmingham and attracted almost 1000 in person delegates and almost 200 virtual delegates. • Trustees, Council, Exec and Committee members are all volunteers working on your behalf and are not remunerated. • The Trustees' Annual Report for 2023, is available on our website, as well as on the websites of our regulatory bodies (Charity Commission, Office of the Scottish Regulator and Companies House). • We continue to keep membership fees, events and accreditation prices under review and, for 2024 we have managed to keep the increase well below the rate of inflation raising them by 2.5% (compared to a 5% increase for 2023). We recognise the impact pressures on the cost of living continue to have and Trustees agreed to freeze prices for FUSIC and ticket prices for SOA25. • The Trustee Board has approved the budget for 2025 which relies on good financial control throughout the year as well as securing increased industry support and sponsorship for SOA25 and achieving fundraising income targets 	
6.	<p>Honorary Secretary's update:</p> <p>Membership election results Congratulations were shared with council members who were re-elected. They are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aoife Abbey, Consultant Intensivist at University Hospital Coventry and Warwickshire • Jonny Wilkinson, Consultant Intensivist at Northampton General Hospital. • Zudin Puthuchery, Professor in Intensive Care Medicine at the William Harvey Institute, Queen Mary, University of London and Consultant at the Royal London Hospital <p>Congratulations and a warm welcome was extended to the newest nationally elected Council member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justin Kirk-Bayley Consultant Intensivist at the Royal Surrey County Hospital <p>The Society was pleased to have held elections to our Professional Advisory Groups(PAG) representing by alphabetical order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Practitioners in Critical Care • Allied Health Professionals • Consultant Intensivists (new PAG) • Nurses • Pharmacists • Physiotherapists • Specialty Doctors (SAS PAG) • Trainees (Resident Doctors) <p>This saw 47 members stand and be elected. We now have 8 Professional Advisory Groups. Each PAG has between 1 and 4 members representing that professional group on Council which will be confirmed in the new year.</p> <p>The PAG elections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • see 24 new members joining us including for the first time, members of our new Consultant Intensivists PAG and we have members representing different segments of our Intensive Care Community including for the first time ODP, Giles Farrington and, Critical Care Scientist, Stefanie Curry both elected to AHP PAG. • see 23 existing members re-elected for a further term representing our diverse professional membership. • The outcome of the recent ballot to Speech and Language places on the AHP PAG were confirmed, congratulations were noted to Sarah Wallace and Gemma Jones on their re-election. 	Hon Secretary, AB

	<p>The full list of all elected PAG members is published on our website and we look forward to announcing their respective Chairs who will represent their PAGs on Council in the new year. Our PAGs are instrumental to our work as a Society, and we thank every single one of our PAG members.</p> <p>Hon Sec noted thanks to members standing down from Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashley Miller– A former co-chair of the FUSIC committee Ashley has been a Council members since 2018 and has played a leading role in the development of the modular curriculum and accreditation pathway for FUSIC. We're pleased to have him stay on as FUSIC module lead for Haemodynamics. • Danielle Bear – Danni has been a Council member for the past 3 years and has chaired the AHP PAG since its inception. Danni was instrumental in guiding critical care dietetic services during the COVID-19 pandemic and contributed to the AHP Capability Framework's development as well as our work to educate and inform parliamentarians. • Sekina Bakare – An elected member of the Resident Doctor (Trainees) PAG Sekina became Interim Chair, this year. She was a founding member of the society's Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Working Group and is serving as the EDI lead on the Editorial Board for GPCISv3. Sekina is leaving the PAG as she CCTs. <p>Sincere thanks were also extended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenneth Baillie - stepping down this month as one of the Society's Directors of Research. Chief investigator of the GenOMICC study, he has been an advocate for ICU research and the Intensive Care Society and played an important role in the Society's response to Covid and his work is hugely valued. <p>Thank you everyone for all your contributions and work over the past few years, it has been a pleasure.</p>	
7.	<p>Q&A</p> <p>No questions were submitted.</p>	Hon Secretary, AB
8.	<p>Date of next AMM and close</p> <p>The next AMM will be held on Monday 1 December 2025.</p>	Hon Secretary, AB