

## **ISAPS Business Meeting, 5 September 2020**

Present:

Dirk Richter, President  
Nazim Cerkes, President-Elect  
Tim Papadopoulos, Parliamentarian  
Kai Schlaudraff, Treasurer  
Ivar van Heijningen, Secretary

### **1. Welcome and Call to Order**

*Dirk Richter, ISAPS President & Meeting Chair*

Dirk welcomed the members to the 25<sup>th</sup> ISAPS Biennial *Electronic* Business Meeting and extended sincere gratitude to all ISAPS members for their support during these difficult times.

As the first electronic business meeting, all required items on the agenda will be covered in the meeting, as noted in the bylaws; however, the following have already been approved electronically:

- The minutes of the 2018 ISAPS Miami Business Meeting
- ISAPS bylaws changes (there are no further changes to be made)
- The new ISAPS board members and nominating committee members, and will be announced by the new president

Dirk stated that there would be no voting in today's Business Meeting.

### **2. Announcement of Quorum**

*Tim Papadopoulos, Parliamentarian*

The Parliamentarian referenced the ISAPS bylaws article 8.5 – a quorum of ten percent (10%) of ISAPS members registered for the Virtual Congress must be present at the Business Meeting for the transaction of business – and confirmed that the numbers had been reached to constitute *quorum*.

### **3. Moment of Silence for Deceased Members**

*Dirk Richter, ISAPS President*

The President requested a moment of silence to remember those members who are deceased in the last 2 years (100 names of deceased members were shown on the slide).

### **4. Reports of Officers**

*Dirk Richter, ISAPS President*

#### **President report**

The President presented his report of his vision and achievements for ISAPS during his term 2018-2020:

**Membership** - ISAPS reached the highest membership numbers in the history of ISAPS. New membership packages were implemented, 60% of membership have taken advantage of these upgrades and 75% of members are happy with this structure. Dirk thanked the ISAPS Membership Chair, Fabian Cortinas, and ISAPS Staff, Stephanie King and Michele Nilsson, who worked very hard to achieve these incredible results.

**ISAPS branding** has improved significantly, thanks to Barbara Boeld and the team at the marketing agency Boeld Communications, who have, amongst other marketing strategies, updated the ISAPS travelling booth and now created a virtual booth.

**ISAPS News** has improved, thanks to Catherine Foss who has dedicated many years, and to Nina Naidu who took over as Editor-in-Chief. Nina is also co-chair of the humanitarian program, in which we recently donated \$40.000 to support colleagues overcome the disaster in Lebanon.

The **Global Alliance** has grown significantly with 85 new societies. 77% of membership countries are in this strong Global Alliance.

Dirk thanked Tom Davis for contribution to allowing electronic voting in bylaws changes.

**Aesthetic Education Worldwide** is the ISAPS main mission, organized 70 courses, symposia or endorsed meetings, as well as starting successful Covid-19 webinar series, with 9000 viewers.

**Residents and fellows** – ISAPS launched the Fundamental, Aesthetic Surgical Training (FAST) program for residents in training with 3 modules – Face, Breast, Body. ISAPS also created a new website for residents. Thank you to Ivar van Heijningen and Maria Weidner who organized the 1<sup>st</sup> Resident and Fellow Congress in Bruges, Belgium. ISAPS now offers resident membership for free, and we have more than 1000 residents, reflecting the highest number of resident and fellowship numbers in the history of ISAPS.

**Patient Safety:** with Covid-19, ISAPS created a task force to deliver COVID-19 guidelines, translated into 7 different languages and with more than 10,000 downloads. Thank you to Kai Kaye and Jesus de Benito who set up the guidelines.

**MedOne** is our unique e-learning platform powered by Thieme, offering more than 70 books, 1500 teaching videos by masterclass surgeons.

**ISAPS Book** is a new project on basics of aesthetic surgery for beginners and will be published next year.

**APS** - the ISAPS Journal has also improved, demonstrating the highest impact factor in the history of the journal thanks to our new Editor-in-Chief, Bahman Guyuron.

**Global Sponsors** are strong partners for educational aims and solid pillar financially. We are thankful to our 2019-2020 Global Sponsors: Polytech, Mentor, Merz Aesthetics, Bio Science and GC Aesthetics.

**Virtual Olympiad** was the first time ISAPS closed the gap from Biennial Meetings to Annual Meetings, and provided the opportunity as ‘pre-Olympic games’ to get best speaker of each country in the 5 disciplines. The winners will qualify for the final Olympics which will take place in **September 2023 – save the date!**

**Insurance** - ISAPS can now offer malpractice insurance for ISAPS Members. Dirk gave a special thanks to Alison Thornberry and Kai Schlaudraff for their dedicated work.

**ISAppS** is the brand-new communication app for ISAPS members, to help patients find their ISAPS surgeon in a safe environment, give timely information, send reminders, available in 7 different languages and provide detailed information on aesthetic procedures. It will serve as surgeon personal database. Special thanks to Stefan Danila for development of this app.

**Staff** – Dirk gave special thanks to Catherine Foss, who is retiring after 22 successful years of working as Executive Director of ISAPS. Dirk welcomed incoming Executive Director Sarah Johnson, based in London, and Stephanie Halksworth, as Executive Assistant and Operations Manager.

**New software** – ISAPS set up new membership software with X-CD as well as new expo platform to host virtual events.

Dirk said good bye and thank you to the ISAPS Board of Directors, National Secretaries, Committee members, Executive office, industry partners, his team in hospital, many friends, and his wife, Maria, who all contributed to success of this term.

#### **4. ISAPS Rejuvenation**

##### **President elect report**

**Nazim Cerkes, President Elect**

Nazim greeted the members and reported on the official election results, which were held electronically due to the global COVID-19 crisis.

Nazim reported that 35% of ISAPS members voted (3210 are allowed to vote).  
For Members-at-Large (MAL), 79.2% of votes cast official NC candidates and 20.8% for other candidates.

The official election results for the Nominating Committee voted the following candidates 2018-2020: Giovanni Botti, Foad Nahai, Carlos Uebel and Mario Pelle-Ceravolo.

Nazim announced the new ISAPS Board of Directors.

On behalf of the ISAPS BoD and ISAPS family, Nazim thanked Catherine Foss, who is retiring after 22 years as ISAPS Executive Director, for her service and dedication to ISAPS all these years. Nazim welcomed Sarah Johnson as the incoming Executive Director.

##### **4.3 Treasurer report**

**Kai Schlaudraff, Treasurer**

Kai presented the financial accounts of ISAPS, beginning with the detrimental effect the COVID-19 pandemic has had on ISAPS operations, causing the cancellation of the Biennial Meeting in Vienna and all physical ISAPS courses, driving ISAPS to fulfil the need for online education.

Financially, there were cancellation fees from the Biennial meeting cancellation, less income from industry and a reduction in budgets from aesthetic sponsors.

How is financial situation after COVID-19? Despite the financial market crash, fortunately ISAPS' invested assets remained stable. During Renato Saltz' Presidency, Kai had implemented investment policies in 2014 and the Industry Sponsor Program, the latter being the 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest revenue source after membership.

Kai thanked the global sponsors who recognized the potential of digital education in times of crisis.

ISAPS has many future projects, including a new central office and team with the incoming Executive Director, new e-learning projects and webinars and new ISAPS insurance.

After six years of being Treasurer, Kai thanked the members for their support and trust.

**5. Celebration**

**Dirk Richter, President**

Dirk stated there is no new or any other business to discuss. Dirk thanked participants for cooperation and contribution during this virtual solution.

Dirk declared meeting closed, and invited participants to join the ceremony and official handover to new President, Nazim Cerkes.