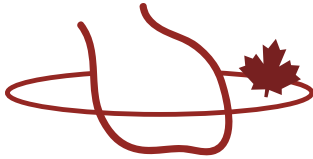


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February 2, 2008
12:45pm - 1:45pm
WESTWOOD ROOM

**Annual CanSCMR Business Meeting and
Board Meeting**

Matthias opens the meeting with a total of 27 attendees (list is with the CanSCMR office).

1. Membership

Total number: 46

2. Results of elections

• **Executive Committee**

Matthias Friedrich MD, Calgary (President)
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• **Board**

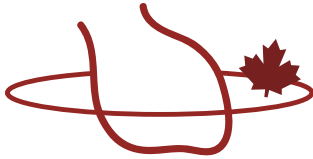
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3. Registration of CanSCMR

Matthias Friedrich reports on the lengthy process of registering CanSCMR as a society. This is expected to be completed within the next weeks. After the registration, the bank account can be opened.

4. Finances (Ian Paterson)

Ian Paterson reports on the finances. Thanks to successfully



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approaching MRI vendors, a predictable stream of revenues could be achieved.

Starting in April, membership fees will be collected (regular member 50\$, technologist 25\$, trainee free)

5. Activities in CanSCMR

- Matthias Friedrich reports on the current activities in the Stephenson CMR Centre and the planned expansion into an integrated advanced cardiovascular imaging centre.
- James White describes the need for standardized protocols, Canada-wide registries and collaboration/multi-centre trials.

There is general agreement about this.

As first steps, three action items are identified:

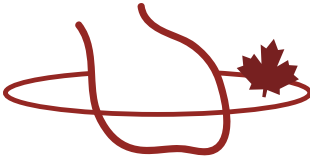
- James White will chair a CanSCMR Task Force on the Standardization of CMR **protocols**. Other members of the Task Force are:
 - Alexander Dick, Toronto
 - Matthias Friedrich, Calgary
 - Naeem Merchant, Toronto/Calgary
 - Ives Provost,A first set of drafts is expected to be presented for further discussion at the next Board meeting (CCS meeting 2008, Toronto, October 25-29)
- James White will explore different options for a browser-based tool for registering CMR report data and present at the next Board meeting.
- A questionnaire on centre-specific data (number of studies, typical indications, governance, research, interest in collaboration) will be sent out to the membership. These data will help centres with interest in research to establish collaborative groups. The questionnaire will be managed by the CanSCMR office (Kristy Mahar).

5. Website

- Craig Butler reports on the CanSCMR website and its features. The URL is <canscmr.org>. Craig is applauded for a great job in putting this together.
- There is general agreement on the proposal. The site will need some more information and will go online within the next weeks. The membership will be notified.

6. Status of the CanSCMR and relationship with SCMR

- Matthias Friedrich reports on discussions in the SCMR on the cooperation with national CMR societies. It is likely that



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2 models for regional CMR organizations will be offered by the SCMR:

1. Regional chapter

- Regional chapters are regional groups of the SCMR and focus on political issues of their region.
- Chapters will consist of SCMR members of a country or larger region.
- All members of the chapter will be SCMR members.
- Regional chapter can use the SCMR logo.
- The chapter will be offered to report annually about activities to the (international) SCMR Board.
- The SCMR may provide financial support for regional chapters based on case-by-case decisions of the SCMR Board.
- Regional chapters do not collect membership fees.

2. Independent, affiliated society

- Independent societies form a regional group of members with interest in CMR.
- They can collect membership fees and also otherwise interact with the industry and political bodies as an independent group.
- Members are encouraged to join the SCMR, but an SCMR membership is not mandatory.
- Regional CMR societies should share the values of the SCMR.
- The SCMR will co-brand regional CMR societies and provide link space on the SCMR website.
- Independent societies will have the opportunity to have meeting space at the annual SCMR meeting.
- Societies are not allowed to use the SCMR logo.
- Societies are not expected to receive substantial financial support from the SCMR.

After a brief discussion, there is unanimous agreement to continue with the Canadian SCMR as an independent society.

7. **Adjourn/next meeting**

The next board meeting will take place at the CCS meeting in Toronto (October 2008), the next general meeting will be at the SCMR 2009 in Orlando, FL

Respectfully submitted by Matthias Friedrich