

REIKI REGULATORY WORKING GROUP

REIKI REGULATORY WORKING GROUP MEETING, 17 Jan 2005 (Meeting No 9)
John Adams Hall, 21 Endsleigh Street, London WC1H 0DH

PRESENT

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| Lorraine Davis | Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT) |
| Kate Jones | Reiki Association |
| John Cass | Reiki Association |
| Jennifer Dean-Hill | Reiki Healers & Teachers Society |
| Doreen Sawyer | RRWG Grant Holder, UK Reiki Federation |
| Mari Stevenson | RRWG Chair |
| Suzanne Zacharia | The Tera-Mai (TM) Reiki & Seichem Association (TM) |
| Jacqueline Partridge | UK Reiki Alliance |
| Pauline Kell | UK Reiki Alliance |
| Keith Harmon | BCMA |
| Terry Cullen | BCMA |
| Lillian Hulf | Reiki Alliance International |
| Tripuri Dunne | Reiki Alliance International |
| Bob Pye | IPTI |
| Mamta Nanda | Minutes Holder, Reiki Association |

1. Apologies & Introductions

Apologies were received from

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| Rosemary Pharo | Reiki Healers & Teachers Society |
| Hazel Russo | FIH |
| Barbara Burden | RCN |
| Ellis Snitcher | Medical lay member |
| Dr. Robert Jefford | UK Reiki Federation |
| Neil Symonds | Reiki Healers & Teachers Society |

2. Minutes of last meeting

Minutes of meeting on 29th Sep 2004 were read and discussed. After changes to the minutes were made, it was agreed that they would be signed and circulated as a true record. The Chair will send these out. Action: Mari Stevenson.

3. Matters arising from minutes

- a) It was again suggested that each member organization should confirm a representative who would be responsible for liaising with the person(s) representing the organization at each meeting. This would simplify the communication responsibilities of the RRWG Chair.
- b) There was some discussion about how the minutes should be done. It was agreed that the minutes should be brief. They should mention the issues raised, a brief summary of the discussion and the outcomes agreed on.
- c) The member organizations had been asked to suggest names of people who could take the minutes. There was some discussion about whether it is better if there is some continuity in that role rather than a different person doing it each time. Kate Jones volunteered to do minutes for July meeting.

4. Updates

A. Leaflet

It was agreed that the leaflet should be folded to one-third A4, and that Kate would follow up with Julia Hathaway about the leaflet. Action: Kate Jones

B. Constitution

A draft constitution prepared by Kate Jones was discussed. It was agreed that a group would be formed to support Kate with preparing the draft constitution. Terry Cullen, Suzanne Zacharia and Bob Pye agreed to be part of the group. Rosemary Pharo's name was also put forward in absentia to be part of the group.

A vote was then taken to decide whether Kate should continue with the draft constitution for a Reiki Regulatory Body at present or not. It was agreed by consensus that Kate should continue with drafting the constitution. It was also decided that the document titled Agreement of Rules of Operation will be used in the interim for the RRWG.

The Chair had produced a possible work programme with the aim of working towards establishment of a Reiki Regulatory Body by January 2007.

The document titled Agreement of Rules of Operation was also discussed and some changes were made. This would be circulated. Action: Mari Stevenson/Kate Jones

5. Sub groups

a. Education

Nominations for representatives to the Education sub group had been received. Dr Ellis Snitcher was elected as Chair of the sub group.

There was a general discussion about whether the title Education should be changed to Education and Accreditation. It was agreed that the word Accreditation was to be included after the word Education to indicate that the Education sub group would work on Accreditation when a draft core curriculum has been agreed.

There was also a discussion on whether the program for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) should be part of Education or not. Volunteers were solicited for exploring the options that could be involved in a CPD programme. Jennifer Dean-Hill volunteered to do this task. Action: Jennifer Dean-Hill

b. Codes & Ethics

It was suggested that Dr. Christianne Wyke-Mettraux could chair the sub group on a temporary basis. Action: Mari Stevenson to confirm appointment of Chair to CW-M

The Chair also requested that the member organisations should nominate representatives, preferably within a week, to form the sub group. Action: All

It was also suggested that the member organisations should submit their codes & ethics to this group. Action: All

It was also agreed that the Chair of sub groups should

- report to the RRWG Chair periodically so that the Chair can report their progress at the future RRWG meetings
- write draft recommendation for their group
- give feedback and be accessible, ie inform the RRWG Chair and the members of the sub group if they are going to be away, respond to the e-mails within a week.

The Chair also suggested that members of full RRWG also indicate if they are away.

6. NOS

Tom Lane had arranged the final NOS consultative meeting for February. It was agreed that the draft NOS should be circulated to the Chair of the Education subgroup to circulate to representatives of the sub group.

7. Lay representatives

It was felt that more lay representatives are needed. Feedback was invited from the representatives of all the member organisations. It was suggested that Primary Care Trusts could be approached for this. Patient Association and LTPA had been contacted to ask for Lay representatives to contact RRWG.

8. Work programme 2005 to 2007

Work programme was approved by consensus. It was agreed that the future and roles of a Regulatory Body would be looked at. It was also agreed that that Hazel Russo would be involved. Mari Stevenson was thanked for her work on this.

9. Business plan

Terry Cullen agreed to contact Maggie Wallace for the CORH, who had organized road-shows. Action: Terry Cullen

10. Description of Reiki

This item was postponed until the next meeting.

11. Date of next meeting

The meeting closed at 3.55 pm. The next meeting will be on 8 April 2005 at the same venue.

It was agreed that the meeting should start earlier at 12:00 so that the finish time can also be brought forward to 3:30.

It was agreed to hold an all day meeting on 11 July 2005. This would allow the sub groups to meet in order to check progress. The venue will be decided later.

12. AOB

a) Funding update

It was mentioned that the current funding period runs out in July. There was some discussion on

- what contributions could be made by the member organizations.
- what funds to make available for which sub group.
- Compensation for the sub groups towards their expenses - payment for the travel and the venue when they meet.