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Accounts and Audit

The audited accounts of the Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board in respect of 1984 are set out on pages 11 to 13.

Functions

The Medical Practitioners Act, 1978 provided for the establishment of a body known as the Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board with the following functions:-

- (a) promote the development of postgraduate medical and dental education and training and to co-ordinate such developments;
- (b) advise the Minister for Health on all matters, including financial matters, relating to the development and co-ordination of postgraduate medical and dental education and training;
- (c) provide career guidance for registered medical practitioners and registered dentists.

Membership

During 1984 the membership of the Board was as follows:-

Dr. B. G. Alton, Mater Hospital, Dublin (Chairman).

Dr. J. P. Alvey, National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street, Dublin.

Professor B. E. Barrett, University College, Cork (Vice-Chairman).

Dr. M. M. Berber, 69 Upper Churchtown Road, Dublin.

Professor G. Bourke, University College, Dublin.

Professor M. P. Brady, Regional Hospital, Cork and University College, Cork.

Professor A.D.H. Browne, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin.

Professor R.J. Daly, Regional Hospital, Cork and University College, Cork.

Mr. D.Q. Dudley, Chief Executive Officer, Southern Health Board.

Mr. B. Joyce, B.D.S., Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

Dr. G. Kerr, Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway.

Mr. V. Morris, President, Dental Board.

Professor C.F. McCarthy, Galway Regional Hospital.

Mr. G. MacGabhann, Secretary/Manager, Mater Hospital, Dublin.

Dr. C. Macnamara, Newtown, Waterford.

Dr. Joan O'Callaghan, 82 Delwood Drive, Castleknock, Co. Dublin.

Professor N. O'Higgins, St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin and University College, Dublin.
Professor E. O'Malley, Mater Hospital, Dublin.
Dr. R.D. O'Moore, St. James's Hospital, Dublin.
Professor D. O'Mullane, University College, Cork.
Dr. M. Ryan, St. Laurence's/Jervis Street Hospitals, Dublin.
Dr. W. Shannon, Hawkes Road, Bishopstown, Cork (resigned September, 1984).
Dr. E. Tempany, Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Dublin.
Dr. N. Tierney, Senior Medical Officer, Department of Health.
Dr. W. Wren, Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Dublin.

See Appendix 1 for current membership.

Staffing

Chief Officer: Mr. J. Gloster.
Staff Officer: Mrs. A. O'Cuinneagain.
Clerical Officer: Miss A. Linnane.

The Board also employs part-time Co-ordinators of Postgraduate Education. Their general duties are to co-ordinate and encourage the development of postgraduate education both at the level of programmed training and continuing education, to stimulate learning by all trainees and to co-operate with the Board, the professional training bodies and teaching hospitals in the promotion of postgraduate education. There were nine posts of Co-ordinator (4 in the Eastern Region and 1 each in the Mid-Western, North-Western, South-Eastern, Southern and Western Regions) during 1984 and following are the names of those who held the posts that year:-

Dr. L. Bannan, General Hospital, Letterkenny.

Dr. D. Coakley, The William Stokes Postgraduate Centre, St. James's Hospital, Dublin (from 1 July, 1984).

Mr. P.V. Delaney, Regional Hospital, Dooradoyle, Limerick (from 1 October, 1984).

Dr. R. Draper, The William Stokes Postgraduate Centre, St. James's Hospital, Dublin (until 30 June, 1984).

Dr. R. Godfrey, University College, Cork.

Professor J.F. Greally, Regional Pathology Laboratories, Regional Hospital, Galway.

Professor R. Mulcahy, St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin.

Dr. S. Murphy, St. Laurence's and Jervis Street Hospitals, Dublin.

Professor D. Powell, Mater Hospital, Dublin.

Dr. R. Tait, Ardkeen Regional Hospital, Waterford.

Outline of the Board's Activities

The main activities undertaken by the Board in 1984 could be summarised as follows:-

- continued to develop the Board's career guidance programme for young doctors,
- published a booklet on Medical Manpower in Ireland,
- organised a Medical Careers Fair in Dublin for interns and first year house officers and to which medical students were also admitted; the fair attracted an attendance of about 90,
- circulated a suggested list of the basic minimum requirements for libraries in general hospitals recognised for General Professional Training in Medicine,
- prepared, following consultation with the Agency for Personal Service Overseas (APSO), a short hand-out about working as a doctor in the developing world,
- appointed an additional Co-ordinator of Postgraduate Education — this appointment to serve the Mid-Western Health Board area,
- reached agreement in discussions with the Faculty of Dentistry on the establishment of a special committee to oversee higher specialist training in dentistry, and with membership drawn from the various interested parties (viz. the Faculty, the Dental Schools, the practising profession, Department of Health, trainees),
- contributed towards the costs of a report on Irish Dental Manpower 1941 — 2001 commissioned by the Dental Board and published in August, 1984,
- made financial contribution towards updating/restocking of Irish Dental Library collection,
- helped to meet some of the deficit incurred by the Irish Dental

Association in the running of its 1984 Annual Scientific Programme,

- continued to fund, in partnership with the North-Western Health Board, a regional dental committee in the North-West; established, in partnership with the Southern and Mid-Western Health Boards, a regional dental committee in the South and Mid-West; the main function of these committees is to promote continuing dental education within their functional areas,
- continued to press for concerted action on the medical manpower situation,
- continued to fund two pilot studies (based in West Cork and in Waterford city and county) on a system of providing continuing education for general medical practitioners and initiated a third such pilot study, based in the West Midlands,
- welcomed and supported the recommendation in the report of the Working Party on the General Medical Service that a national network of continuing education programmes for general practitioners should be developed and indicated willingness to take part in discussions with other interested parties to make progress towards this,
- met the expenses incurred by the Irish Institute of General Practice in furthering its initiative towards the establishment of a single representative body concerned with training and academic matters in relation to general practice and which led to the establishment of the Irish College of General Practitioners in March, 1984,
- agreed to continue to subsidise the library information service operated by the Sligo General Practitioner Vocational Training Scheme,
- considered the report of the Working Party on the General Medical Service and submitted views thereon to the Department of Health,
- adopted a set of guidelines in relation to (a) the appointment of tutors of continuing education programmes for general medical practitioners and (b) the support to be provided to the tutors,
- circulated, for consideration by training bodies, employing authorities and other interested agencies, the report of the

Board's symposium on the theme of monospecialist training and multidisciplinary needs,

- held, in October, 1984, a symposium on training on a part-time (including shared) basis,
- provided sponsorship for a meeting organised by the Women's Affairs Committee of the Irish Medical Organisation on the theme of part-time training and job-sharing,
- continued to press that guaranteed funding be provided to enable the intake to the general practitioner vocational training scheme in the Dublin Region be maintained at 10 per annum,
- agreed to ask the Co-ordinators of Postgraduate Education to study the feasibility of having a national computerised matching programme for house officers,
- conducted a survey of non-consultant hospital doctors as at 1 April, 1984,
- continued to urge that senior registrar posts be funded and filled,
- met with representatives of Comhairle na nOspideal to discuss issues relating to senior registrar training programmes, including in particular the involvement of peripheral hospitals in such programmes,
- met with representatives of the Irish Committee on Higher Medical Training to discuss a range of issues including senior registrar training programmes, higher training periods abroad and part-time training,
- agreed to help fund, as an exceptional measure, some of the deficit incurred by the Faculty of Occupational Medicine in the holding of its 1984 Spring Scientific Meeting,
- provided financial assistance to the professional bodies in their exercise, as national bodies, of a general control over programmed training; Details are provided in the Accounts; The variation in the financial assistance provided in respect of general practice in 1984 as compared with 1983 is explained by grants made by the Board towards the establishment and the running costs of the Irish College of General Practitioners,
- provided an administrative service for the Irish Institute of General Practice and for the Irish Psychiatric Training

Committee and in addition provided secretarial services for the Dublin Regional Committee of the Irish Institute of General Practice,

- provided financial assistance to health boards, voluntary hospitals and postgraduate centres to purchase teaching resources. Details are in the Accounts.

Among the main activities undertaken by the Co-ordinators of Postgraduate Education during 1984 were:-

- organisation of Basic Science Courses,
- organisation of Clinical Science Courses,
- organisation of Regional Medical Conferences,
- organisation, in conjunction with the Faculty of Pathology, a wholetime week-long basic clinical pathophysiology course,
- organisation in Dublin of two inter-hospital clinico-pathological conferences,
- organisation of seminars on topics relevant to general practice and assisting local groups of general practitioners with the organisation of continuing education programmes,
- organisation of continuing education programmes in various hospitals,
- organisation of various postgraduate lecture programmes,
- helped the Board in the organisation of the career guidance programme for interns and house officers,
- helped the Board to prepare suggested minimum requirements for libraries in general hospitals recognised for General Professional Training in Medicine,
- participated in the monitoring of the pilot studies on general practitioner continuing education programmes,
- participated in the management and administration of postgraduate centres and in the organisation of the programmes of activities in such centres.

Committees of the Board

During 1984 the Board had the following three Committees which had the task of examining and reporting to it on particular aspects of the Board's functions and activities:

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| Finance Committee | — chaired by Professor A. D. H. Browne |
| Dental Affairs Committee | — chaired by Professor B. E. Barrett
(dealt with all aspects of dentistry other than continuing education) |
| Dental Committee | — chaired by Mr. B. Joyce
(dealt with continuing education). |

The membership of the last named Committee comprised representatives of the Board together with representatives of the Irish Dental Association and of the Society of Chief and Principal Dental Surgeons of Ireland. The membership of the other Committees was drawn from within the membership of the Board.

Recognition of Professional Bodies

The Board has recognised ten main Irish professional bodies as filling major roles in programmed training. They are:

- (i) The Faculty of Anaesthetists of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland;
- (ii) The Faculty of Dentistry of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland;
- (iii) The Irish College of General Practitioners;*;
- (iv) The Irish Committee on Higher Medical Training;
- (v) The Institute of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland;
- (vi) The Faculty of Pathology of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland;
- (vii) The Irish Psychiatric Training Committee;
- (viii) The Faculty of Radiologists of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland;
- (ix) The Irish Surgical Postgraduate Training Committee;
- (x) A Committee of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, which deals with general professional training in Medicine.

* The Irish Institute of General Practice was the recognised body until 1 March, 1985 when its functions relating to postgraduate training for general practice were assumed by the Irish College of General Practitioners. The Institute was dissolved with effect from 1 March, 1985.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/12/84

1983		1984
£	INCOME	£
<u>223,000</u>	Oireachtas Grant (Note 1 (a))	<u>330,000</u>
	EXPENDITURE	
36,874	Salaries (Note 3)	37,487
7,463	Travelling & Subsistence	9,169
27,016	General Administration (Note 2)	25,337
	Payments to Professional Bodies:	
9,155	Anaesthetics	8,797
3,919	Dentistry	5,015
19,302	General Practice	27,921
19,241	Medicine	25,014
4,968	Obstetrics/Gynaecology	3,327
5,906	Pathology	4,012
6,573	Psychiatry	6,315
5,366	Radiology	4,897
7,881	Surgery	11,799
82,311		97,097
48,673	Co-ordinators of Postgraduate Education	64,324
13,988	Pilot Studies (General Practice)	19,693
800	Audit Fee	800
4,213	Career Guidance	2,543
10,500	Grants to Postgraduate Centres	13,850
16,795	Grants to Health Boards and Hospitals	22,995
295	Transnational Training Programme	—
4,639	Regional Dental Committees	8,437
<u>253,567</u>		<u>301,732</u>
(30,567)	Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	28,268
464	Surplus (Deficit) for 1983	(30,103)
(30,103)	Surplus (Deficit) to Balance Sheet	(1,835)

Notes 1 to 3 form part of these accounts.

Balance Sheet as at 31 December, 1984

1983	Current Assets	1984
£		£
2,287	Debtors and Prepayments	2,014
-	Cash in Bank	4,321
<u>2,287</u>		<u>6,335</u>
	Less Current Liabilities	
5,466	Creditors & Accrued Charges	8,170
<u>26,924</u>	Bank Overdraft	<u>-</u>
32,390		8,170
<u>(30,103)</u>	Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	<u>(1,835)</u>
	Represented by:	
	Surplus (Deficit) on Income and	
<u>(30,103)</u>	Expenditure Account for 1984	<u>(1,835)</u>

Notes 1 to 3 form part of these accounts.

Bryan G. Alton Chairman
 Cormac S. Macnamara Chairman, Finance Committee
 J. Gloster Chief Officer

22 November 1985

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1 Accounting Policies

- (a) Income shown under Oireachtas Grant represents the actual amount received in the year.
- (b) There is no charge in the accounts for depreciation as fixed assets are being written off in the year in which they are acquired.

Note 2	1984	1983
General Administration:	£	£
Accommodation and Service	8,611	9,235
Rates and Insurance	1,790	1,588
Electricity Charges	511	340
Telephone and Postage	2,856	4,244
Stationery, Publications and Office Equipment	6,347	8,585
Meeting Expenses	4,872	2,982
Advertising	261	—
Miscellaneous	89	42
	<u>25,337</u>	<u>27,016</u>

- Note 3 Section 19 of the Medical Practitioners Act, 1978 applies the terms of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1956 to the Board and its officers, subject to any modifications which may, with the consent of the Minister for the Environment, be determined by the Minister for Health. There is a contingent liability for Staff Superannuation, the charge in the accounts in respect of Salaries being net of superannuation contributions.

Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General

I have examined in accordance with approved auditing standards the accounts on pages 11 to 13 which are in the form approved under the provisions of the Medical Practitioners Act, 1978. I have obtained all the information and explanations which I considered necessary for the purpose of my audit.

In my opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Board and the accounts which are in agreement with them give a true and fair view of the state of its affairs at 31st December, 1984 and of its transactions for the year then ended.

For and on behalf of the
Comptroller and Auditor General

BJ Caldwell
5 December 1985

Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board

Membership

The current membership of the Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board is set out beneath. The term of office in each case extends to 31 May, 1990.

Dr. B.G. Alton, 38 Upper Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2 (Chairman)

Professor B.E. Barrett, Cork Dental Hospital, Wilton, Cork (Vice-Chairman)

Dr. M.J. Boland, Cork Road, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Professor D. Bouchier-Hayes, Professorial Unit RCSI, St. Laurence's Hospital, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7

Dr. J. Buttimer, Medical Officer, Department of Health, Custom House, Dublin 1

Dr. P.A. Carney, Department of Psychiatry, Regional Hospital, Galway

Professor J.B. Coakley, Professor of Anatomy, University College, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2

Mr. D.J. Doherty, Chief Executive Officer, Midland Health Board, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Professor C.T. Doyle, Department of Histopathology, Regional Hospital, Wilton, Cork

Dr. Y. Doyle, Boyne House, Church Hill, Navan, Co. Meath

Professor M. Fitzgerald, St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4

Dr. M. Glacken, Bachelors Walk, Ballina, Co. Mayo

Dr. G.R. Henry, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin 1

Dr. M. Henry, 12 Burlington Road, Dublin 4

Dr. G.D. Hurley, Meath Hospital, Heytesbury Street, Dublin 8

Mr. M. Lyons, Principal Officer, Department of Health, Hawkins House, Hawkins Street, Dublin 2

Professor C.F. McCarthy, Department of Medicine, Regional Hospital, Galway

Dr. C.S. Macnamara, Chatsfort, Newtown, Waterford

Dr. J.O. Mason, 107A Granitefield, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Dr. D.C. Moriarty, Mater Hospital, Eccles Street, Dublin 7

Mr. V. Morris, Dublin Dental Hospital, Lincoln Place, Dublin 2

Dr. S. O'Hickey, Chief Dental Officer, Department of Health, Custom House, Dublin 1

Dr. J.P.R. Rees, 21 Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin 2

Dr. P.J. White, 40 Grattan Park, Grattan Road, Galway

Dr. A.J. Woolfe, 14 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2.

