

JFTC Council Open Meeting  
Minutes April 15, 2011

1. Introductions

- What is the JFTC Council? Discussed the ISHLT agenda to include and to incorporate younger members into the life of the society and of the annual scientific meeting
- A bit of history was discussed with input from Cynthia Gries. Reinforced importance of joining not only the JFTC but the councils pertinent to your specialty area(s)
- Welcomed John Dark (president, ISHLT) who encouraged involvement and especially emphasized the importance of international (non-North American) involvement and leadership in the JFTC and the ISHLT

Introduced Council leadership and workforce leaders

**Chair: David W. Markham, MD**  
**Vice Chair: Daniel Dilling, MD**  
**Past Chair: Lorriana E. Leard, MD**  
**Past-Past Chair: Cynthia Gries, MD**

**WORKFORCE LEADERS**

Standards & Guidelines: Susan D. Moffatt-Bruce, MD, PhD  
S & G Workforce Members: TBD

Education Workforce Leader: Matthew Morrell, MD  
Education Workforce Members: **PDF**

Registries & Databases Workforce Leader: Jennifer C. Matthews-Cowger, MD  
R & D Workforce Members: TBD

Communications Workforce Leader: Pali D. Shah, MD  
Communications Workforce Members: **PDF**

Development Liaison: Arezu, Z. Aliabadi, MD

2. Highlighted ISHLT Meeting / JFTC events

- The JFTC Mentor Lunch (pre-registration required, 12:15-1:45 PM Friday, April 15 in Indigo 204)
- Concurrent Session 43: Junior Faculty Case Presentations - Challenges in Thoracic Transplantation (1:00-2:00 PM - Saturday, April 16 in Indigo 202) -- PRIZE and welcome next year's submissions
- Displayed names and offered thank you to reviewers of abstracts for the JFTC Case Presentation symposium (and encouraged interested members to express

their interest in reviewing for next year via sign-in sheet or email of interest to JFTC leadership

- Thank you to Sitaramesh Emani, MD for help in organizing Mentor Lunch – well received per discussion at the meeting and should do it again next year with similar format

### 3. Plans made for upcoming JFTC elections

- Several individuals at the meeting expressed interest in the chair-elect position and said a few words of interest
- Plans made for an online election with broader JFTC membership with invitation for self-nomination with a statement of interest

### 4. Workforce Updates

#### a. Standards & Guidelines -- Susan D. Moffatt-Bruce, MD, PhD

- No updates to report

#### b. Education -- Matthew Morrell, MD –

- Plan to solicit help from JFTC as a whole and solicit ideas for symposia
  - Symposia ideas were made from the floor for such topics as:
    - How to start and administrate a transplant program (“business of transplant”)
    - “Here’s how I do it” panel of experts fielding questions from JFTC attendees about how they handle particular clinical scenarios
    - How to build a career including writing CVs (should this be a sunrise or pre-session?)
    - How to do a good power point presentation or present a poster (perhaps this could be an online offering in the months BEFORE the international meeting?)
    - A session looking into the future - how do we attract people to this field?
- Year in Review series ongoing with JFTC member paired up with senior leader/author in this new JHLT series
- Idea of a “teaching slides” series developed jointly by JFTC members and senior authors – this would be meant as teaching tools for ISHLT members to use on rounds with trainees and students with academic credit given to authors (CV, society accomplishment, promotion)
- Electronic journal club possibility discussed
- Fellowship database concept continues to be explored through the ISHLT Education Committee

#### c. Registries & Databases -- Jennifer C. Matthews-Cowger, MD

- Unclear involvement and charge – we will email to Marshall Hertz to ask for guidance and ask if our representative can get more formally involved

- d. Communications -- Pali D. Shah, MD
    - ISHLT Links Editor search
    - Uncertain future of Communications workforces in ISHLT (phasing out). Our JFTC Communications workforce could help organize a Google Group or Facebook page – some volunteers offered to help
    - Potential “job postings” perhaps through Google page or Facebook page
  
  - e. Development -- Arezu, Z. Aliabadi, MD
    - No update to report
  
  - f. Scientific Program Committee for 2012 Meeting – Lorriana Leard, MD
    - Symposia development discussed
    - Ideas brought forth for some “social events:
      - Maybe an event out at a bar or restaurant
      - Definitely a “coffee nook” at next year’s ISHLT meeting (in-between sessions)
    - Encouraged members to get involved as abstract reviewers as an entrée to involvement in the society and at the international meeting
4. Open Business
- No further business was brought forth and meeting adjourned