

Minutes of Mid Executive Meeting on 13/5/06 at Akash Madurai

The meeting was attended by Dr.K. Ganapthy Dr. V.S. Mehta, Dr. B.S. Sharma, Dr. ravi Ramamurthy, Dr. C.U. Velmurugendran, Dr. S.R. Dharkar was absent. Local Organising Secretary, Dr. Kalliairajan and Organising Secretary for 2007 conference Dr. R.C. Mishra were special invitee for specific period of discussion of conference venue.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

- EC/May/06-01** **Obituary-the members stood for two minutes in silence as a mark of respect to the memory of the late** Dr. M. Natrajan. The secretary was requested to send a letter of condolence to the family.
- EC/May/06-02** The secretary's Report (published separately) was read and the action taken on minutes of the last EC and GB meeting held in December,2005 at Vizag were presented. The report was accepted (proposed by Dr. C.U. Velmurugendran and seconded by Dr. V.S. Mehta).
- EC/May/06-03** **Letter regarding use of tPA in stroke was sent to the Drug controller of India so far no Reply has been received. It was decided that a reminder may be sent.**
- EC/May/06-04** Dr. P.s. Bawa Medical Advise, Mata Chanan Devi Hospital agreed to provide a room with a store, a guest room and attached toilet along with a telephone and internet connection for setting up office of NSI at new Delhi in the Neurosciences block being developed in this hospital.Meanwhile, till the new block is ready similar space will be provide in the existing block . This will be on the basis of understanding that actual expenses bills etc.shall be borne by NSI. This arrangement shall continue with mutual consent of NSI and Mata Chanan Devi Hospital management. Gen. Venkatraman shall help in arranging archives of NSI, all the old records and coordinate in this regard. EC approved to immediately occupy the space. The Secretarial assistance for this shall be provide by the present Secretarial assistant to the secretary NSI. EC would consider appointing part time, permanent secretary after present Secretary term is over.
- EC/May/06-05** Dr. V.S.Mehta and Dr. B.S. Sharma were requested to contact col. Suri's family to decide if the family would agree to the donation to be clubbed with other awards as till now no award has been given on cost

effectiveness in neurosciences for which originally this award money was paid. However, the award will be given in his name only.

EC/May/06-06

Dr. R. C. Mishra Presented conference bid for 2007. J.P. group of Hotels at Agra was approved as conference venue for 2007. The registration fee for conference (inclusive of CME) approved was Rs. 2400/-before 31st December, 2006 and Rs. 2900/- 31st August, 2007. The organizing secretary, Dr. R.C. Mishra was asked to till the desired from which includes following conditions:

- I. He will pay 20% of the Registration fee to the Treasurer, NSI.
- II. Rs. 10,000/- per stall exhibited in the conference will be paid to the Editor, Neurology India through, NSI.
- III. He will pay Rs. 200/-per delegate for Printing of CME book "Progress in Clinical Neurosciences" to the Convenor of CME through Treasurer, NSI.
- IV. He will submit an audited account within six month of conclusion of the conference.

EC/May/06-07

The President desired that the nomination committee for orations should not select a member of the EC for an Oration. This ban would extend for a further period of one year after the member ceases to be a member of the EC. The EC unanimously accepted the proposal.

EC/May/06-08

The Ec reviewed the result of the trial electronic voting arranged by the webmaster Dr. Dilip Panikar. It was pointed out that the pass word could also be sent by post. After considerable discussion it was decided that electronics voting would be implemented for the forthcoming NSI election If email addresses of at least 75% of the eligible voters are available by 31st August, 2006. EC decided that all efforts will be made to inform the members to submit their current Email address to the Secretary. The email address available with president, Treasurer and Editor will also be sent to the Secretary

EC/May/06-09

Training in Neurosciences – EC requested Secretary, NSI to fix a meeting with Secretary MCI and NBE in July 2006 to discuss the training issues in neurosciences. This meeting will be attended by the President, past President Elect and Secretary, NSI officers of the Indian Academy of Neurology will also be invited for the meeting. The opinion of as many

members as possible on a format to be prepared by President NSI will be sought.

EC/May/06-10

Social Securities Scheme was discussed and was not found feasible at present.

EC/May/06-11

Treasurer's Report (published below) - Presented by Dr. V.S. Mehta. There are 85 Associate members and 8 full members who have not paid their dues. These names will be deleted from the membership list, if they do not pay by 10/5/2006. EC approved Associate Membership of 4 and life membership of 13. The Report was accepted. Proposed by Dr. Atul Goel and Seconded by Dr. Narayanswami. EC requested all members to encourage residents in their department to enroll as associate members and those who have completed their training to enroll as life member. Current Treasurer Dr. Ravi Ramamurthy presented the estimate of the coming years income and expenditure which was approved by EC. The Audited account for Year 2005-06 was Presented and approved.

EC/May/06-12

CME convenor's Report (Published below) was presented by Dr. B.S. Sharma . The Current Convenor, Dr. Rajshekhar and co-convenor, Dr. K. Bhattacharya proposed the format for the next CME Programme. The Report was accepted it was proposed by Dr. Mehta and seconded by Dr. Atul Goel. The Proposal from Dr. Ganapathy to include lecturers through video conferencing was not accepted. The Convenor informed EC that CME book will be printed in Kolkata. The question of accepting advertisement in the CME book was raised the secretary and Ex-convenor of CME Dr. B.S. Sharma was not in favour of accepting and publishing advertisements in the CME book. However, Dr. Atul Goel Proposed that Only few advertisement may be accepted.

EC/May/06-13

Editor's Report Presented by Dr. Atule Goel (published separately)

EC/May/06-14

1.5 to 2 lakhs of additional funds required to increase the number of issues of Neurology India to 6 per Year will be Provided by NSI.

EC/May/06-15

Secretary was authorized to write a strong worded letter to Dr. Subramanyan organizing Secretary Neurocon 2005 for non payment of dues to the Editor and to follow it up.

- EC/May/06-16** The offer from the Editor surgical Neurology to bring out a special issue of surgical Neurology as an Indian supplement was not accepted taking into account the financial implications
- EC/May/06-17** EC advised Editor to improve the review process and quick response to the queries raised by authors/ members.
- EC/May/06-18** The Proposal of “Advocacy and Leadership by Neurologists and National coalition of different patient group for different neurological diseases” by Dr. Aprva was discussed. Dr Apoorva would be requested by the secretary to send specific plans to the EC for approval.
- EC requested Dr. C.U. Velmurugendran and Dr. Deopujari to work out modalities to improve public awareness regarding Neurological Disorders.
- EC/May/06-19** EC accepted the request for bio medical engineers to be enrolled as an associate member
- EC/May/06-20** EC requested President to write to the President NBE to consider reversing the decision of the NBE regarding
- i. Holding of DNB (Neurology/ Neurosurgery) Exam only once a year.
 - ii. Abolition of 5 Years Neurosurgery course.
- EC/May/06-21** The request of Dr. Sreedhar for NSI support for update for Young Neurosurgeons and Microworkshop was not accepted
- EC/May/06-22** EC approved the proposal from Dr Atul Goel to bid for the interim meeting of WFNS in 2011.
- EC/May/06-23** EC agreed to change the timing of the President and other Orations to ensure better attendance.
- EC/May/06-24** EC approved payment of dues towards ISN (International society of Neuropathology) approximate Rs. 36,000/- Treasurer to follow up in coordination with Dr. Chitra sarkar.
- EC/May/06-25** EC decided that all Associate members who get their degree must compulsorily convert their membership to life membership within one year of their qualification. If this is not done then they loose their membership.

- EC/May/06-26** EC did not agree to the Propasal from Dr. Kalyan Batacharya to reduce the amount of Registration fee and membership fee for members under 40 Years of age.
- EC/May/06-27** Dr. Ganapathy proposed that the NSI should develop a system to offer formal Credits to the Various CME Programmes being held in neurosciences. The majority members of the EC however felt that this could not be done now.
- EC/May/06-28** The venue of the Madurai Conference was inspected and some of the EC members were not happy about it. Organizing Secretary Dr. Kallai Rajan informed the sufficient rooms would not be available for delegates for the conference . EC decided that Dr. K. Bhattacharya will talk to the top management of these companies and request that the rooms be released. If all attempts fail the EC reluctantly agreed for a change in dates.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the Organizing Secretary for the arrangements made.

Secretary's Report , December, 2005

- i. The minutes of EC & GB meeting held in December 2005 at Vizag have been published in the Newsletter of March 2006 issue. The progress is as follows:

Items	Action Taken
EC/DEC05/01	A letter regarding use of tPA in Stroke has been sent to drug control of India.
EC/DEC05/02	Dr JS Chopra's reply – Dr Prabhakar told him that he has already paid for NSI and the Neurology India as per rules. The new rules were not applicble to NSI meeting in Chandigarh. The current rules were farmed after the conference was allocated to PGI and so no further payments are due to NSI.
EC/DEC05/03	Dr PS Bawa, Chanan Devi Hospital, Delhi has agreed to provide a decent room with small store and a guest room with attached toilet for permanent use as NSI office in his new building of Neurosciences Block at least for 10 Years. He will also provide a telephone & internet connection. Gen. Venkataraman has

	expressed his desire to work as coordinator & look after and arrange all the old records (Archives Of NSI).
EC/DEC05/04	Prof. AK Banerjee was informed regarding the nomination of the members.
EC/DEC05/05	Dr. CE Deopujari has been informed about the Symposia.
EC/DEC05/06	Dr. Ravishankar is informed about the symposia.
EC/DEC05/07	Could not be contacted. No written permission available.
EC/DEC05/08	The Plaque for the President is Ready. The Certificates for all the winners are printed for next 10 years.
EC/DEC05/09	Agra Conference venue was approved & Organizing secretary – Dr. Mishra was asked to present his bid in the Mid EC meeting.
EC/DEC05/10	Dr. Dharker and Dr. Ahuja both have agreed for the orations introductory of the orators to be finalized.
EC/DEC05/11	Electronics Voting – Returning Officer to suggest and discuss feasibility in the Mid – Term Executive Meeting.
EC/DEC05/12	Training in Neurology & Neurosurgery – subcommittee to advice. Dr. K Ganapathy to Present the report in Mid – Term Executive Meeting.
EC/DEC05/13	Social Security Scheme – The constitution IMA social Security Scheme to be discussed in MID- Term Executive Meeting.

CME Convenor's Report, December,2005

Three hundred eighty books were printed. Rs. 72,000/- (200 per delegate) were paid by the Organizing Secretary to the Treasurer NSI.

The total expenses of CME books was Rs. 60,308/- (52,900 for Printing + 7408 for postage & Secretarial assistance etc.) The remaining amount of Rs. 11,692 is with the Treasurer NSI . From next time onwards, a CME book is to be Provided in the delegate kit and every delegate should register for the CME registration should be merged with the conference registration. The CME registration fee is to be incorporated in the conference registration fee and an amount of 200/- Rs. Per delegate should be paid to Treasurer, NSI by the Organizing Secretary for the CME book. The convenor then gets money from Treasurer, NSI