

Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting Held at Bhargava Auditorium

PGIMER Chandigarh on 14/12/2003

The President called the meeting to order.

The House observed one – minute silence as a mark of respect on the passing away of Prof. D .R. Gulati and Prof. B. Ramamurthy. Condolences were recorded.

2002/GB/051: Annual NSI Conferences

The decision taken by the Executive Committee meeting on 13/12/03 (published under Executive Committee meeting minutes) was put up. To the General Body for its discussion and ratification. After a thorough debate by the entire House, It was decided that each member should send the registration fee for the annual conference in the form of 2 demand drafts. The first demand draft would be equivalent to 80% of the registration fee being paid by the member and should be sent to the Organizing Secretary of the Annual Conference under the designated head for payment at the city of Conference . the second demand draft would be equivalent to 20% of the registration being paid by the member, and it should be payable to the Honorary Treasurer, N.S.I. payable at the city of the treasurer. A separated receipt may need to be issued by the treasurer. The issue about receipts, however, was not finalized. 50% of the CME registration fee will also be sent to the Honorary Treasurer.

2003/GB/01:Election 2003

The low voter turn out was once again discussed and all members of the General Body felt it as a matter of concern. All members were requested to communicate their change of address to the Secretary of the NSI. Dr. Dharkar announced the result of elections 2003 for the President-elect. Prof. C.V. Velmurugendran was declared elected as President-elect.

2003/GB/02: Annual Conference NSI 2005

The annual conference of NSI 2005 was awarded to Visakhapatnam (Department of Neurosurgery, Andhra Medical College and the Visakhapatnam Neuro Club) with Dr. M. subramanyam as the proposed Organizing Secretary.

2003/GB/03: Symposium-53rd Annual Conference of NSI- Indore:

The Symposium proposed by Dr. Khatpal on Emergencies in Neurosciences was accepted. Dr. Khatpal is requested to coordinate with the Secretary, NSI for future organization of the symposium.

2003/GB/04: Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer Report presented by Dr. V.S. Mehta (Annexure II). Considerable discussion took place on the clubbing of various FDRS for different orations into one to form a single corpus. This was not accepted by the General Body. The suggestion to raise the existing life membership fee was not agreed upon by the General Body. It was agreed that the life Member fee collected from members could form corpus for the society. The Treasurer's report was accepted: proposal by Dr. V. K. Kak and seconded by Dr. AK Banerjee.

2003/GB/05: Editor's Report

The Editor's report was presented by Dr. Atul Goel (Annexure III). In general, it was felt that acceptance percentage of the Indian publications should be raised. The report was accepted as proposal by Dr. V.K. Khosla and seconded by Dr. VS Mehta. It was unanimously decided to bring out a supplement to the Journal – Neurology India in honour of late Prof. B. Ramamurthy.

2003/GB/06: Awards

The following members were selected for awards for their presentation during the 52nd annual conference of the NSI at Chandigarh. The Society congratulates them on their achievement.

1. NSI Sehgal Award for Best paper in Neurosurgery:
Dr. Ranjith K. Moorthy, C.M.C. Vellore.
2. NSI Allied Neurosciences Award:
Dr. D. Bhatt, NIMHANS, Bangalore.
3. Best Poster Award:
 - Dr. H.A. Sonwalkar – Trivandrum.
 - Dr. S. v. Pillai – Bangalore.
 - Dr. Samson G. Sujith Kumar – Vellore.

From the floor, Pro. V.K. Kak suggested that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 13/12/03 and the decisions taken therein should be communicated to the General Body. This was done. The issue of the Tumor Section meeting to be held at Jaipur from 11th to 13th October 2004. Was discussed. It was unanimously agreed that the Tumor section meeting of the WFNS would be held in Jaipur under the aegis of the Neurological Society of India Without and payment to the Society.

Regarding Coordinating several satellite Neuro conference of the NSi should not be put to disadvantage in this regard.

The President was requested to recommend names of Jacob Chandy and PN Tandon orations for the NSI 2004 conference at Indore

The meeting ended at 9:30 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the C hair.

All Change is not growth, as all movement is not forward.

-Ellen Glasgow