



Minutes of NSI Mid Term Executive Committee Meeting, Bangalore May 7th - 8th 2011

The meeting was attended by Dr. V K Jain, Dr. K. E. Turel, Dr. V. Rajshekhar, Dr. C. E. Deopujari, Dr. J. M. K. Murthy, Dr. Deepu Banerji, Dr. R.C. Mishra and Dr. A. Pauranik.

Apologies received from Dr. S. Prabhakar and Dr. Khandewal.

2011/May/EC/01 The meeting was called to order by the President.

2011/May/EC/02 **Secretary's report** and action taken on minutes of last executive committee meeting.

Dr. Rajshekhar presented the following:

Final verdict in the Jaipur Court Case: We received the final verdict from the Munsif Court in Jaipur in our favour and the case against NSI has been dismissed. This was conveyed to the EC and the general membership.

Since there was no need for any action to be taken on the previous minutes, there was no action taken.

2011/May/EC/03 **Treasurer's report**

- a. **New Members** (December 19, 2010 to May 7, 2011)
Total New Members = 96
Life Members 55 (NS, 49 (Neurosurgeons); NP = 05 (Neurologists); Other (Pathologist))
Associate Members = 41

b. **Jaipur conference contribution**

	Total	Amt. Recd.	NSI Amount
Full	419	2783500	695875
Residents	90	270000	67500
Nurses	70	210000	52500
Complimentary	40	0	
Total	619	3413000	815875
Total No. of Stalls	40	400000	
NSI Associate Fees Received (27@USD 200) (7@USD100)	34	274500	
Total no. of Registrations 681 Less (Neuro - Nurses) - 70	611	213850	
CME Book @350/-			
Total		1704225	



NSI received Rs. 10,00,000. at Jaipur conference vide cheque no ; 404452 dated 18/12/2011. Balance Amount i.e. Rs. 7,04,4225/- paid by transfer on 17/03/2011

c. Contribution from CME book publisher, Byword Books on sale of CME books Rs. 42486.

d. Contribution to Neurology India Rs. 4,00,000.

e. Contribution to Neurocon 2011, Bangalore Rs. 3,00,000.

f. Money paid to Orators in Jaipur

Dr. P David Adelson Rs. 30850

Dr. Laligam Sekar Rs. 30850

g. Travelling Fellowship paid to residents and young neurosurgeons

No.	NAME	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT
1	Dr N. Saravanan	4000	Department of Neurosurgery, Madras Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College, Chennai - 3
2	Dr K. Prabhuraman	4000	Department of Neurosurgery, Madras Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College, Chennai - 3
3	Dr M. Manoranjitha	4000	Department of Neurosurgery, Madras Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College, Chennai-3
4	Dr B Rohit	4000	Department of Neurosurgery, Madras Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College, Chennai - 3
5	Dr S. Jothikumar	4000	Department of Neurosurgery, Madras Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College, Chennai - 3
6	Dr Anshul A Bagida	4000	Department of neurosurgery, PD Hinduja Natinal Hospital, Mahim, Mumbai -16
7	Dr Goutham Cugati	3858	Dept. of Neurosurgery, ALNC, Taramani, Chennai
8	Dr Gowtham Devareddy	3858	Dept. of Neurosurgery, ALNC, Taramani, Chennai



9	Dr Hari Nivas	3858	Dept. of Neurosurgery, ALNC, Taramani, Chennai
10	Dr Pradeep Kumar Jain N	3858	Dept. of Neurosurgery, ALNC, Taramani, Chennai
11	Dr I. Mohamed Abith Ali	4935	Dept. of Neurosurgery, Govt. Stanley Medical College, Chennai
12	Dr Rajkumar Gandhi	4935	Dept. of Neurosurgery, Govt. Stanley Medical College, Chennai
13	Dr K Sivakumar	5012	Dept. of Neurosurgery, Madurai Medical College, Madurai
14	Dr Prem Prakash	4062	Dept. of Neurosurgery, Madurai Medical College, Madurai
15	Dr S Balamurugan	4062	Dept. of Neurosurgery, Madurai Medical College, Madurai
	Total	62438	

h. Awards payments

1	Dr Savitr Sastri	5000
2	Dr Theresa Maria Ferreria	5000
3	Dr Mazda Keki Turel	5000
4	Dr Arva Zhagav A	5000
5	Dr Theresa Maria Ferreria	5000
6	Dr Ipe V George	5000
7	Dr Shayna Dattani	5000
	Total	35000

i. Contribution to Neuro Nurses Conference, Jaipur Rs. 10,000

j. Travelling Fellowship to Nurses to attend Jaipur Conference

1	Neuro-nurse	Mrs Pragati Desai	1500	Bombay Hospital, Mumbai
2	Neuro-nurse	Mrs Mansi Chodnekar	1500	Bombay Hospital, Mumbai
3	President Neuro-nurses	Dr Angela Gandurai	7240	Principal, CSI Nursing College, Kerala
		Total	10240	



k. World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies (WFNS) - Membership fees for 968 NSI members
(968 X USD 8 = USD 7744 + USD 35 bank charges) = INR 350824 + INR 2171 = INR 352995

l. Book keeping and other related matters

- HDFC account opened mainly for payment gateway
- FD in HDFC account Rs 10,00,000 (Rs Ten Lakhs) - expires on 18/04/2013 (DOC :- 2/4/2011)
- RBI Bonds and remaining amount and FDs (C/o Mr O P Mishra, Delhi)
- Rs,10,00,000 (Rs Ten Lakhs), expires on 05/01/2012
- Rs,10,00,000 (Rs Ten Lakhs), expires on 17/12/2013
- Rs. 5,00,000 (RS. Five Lakhs), expires on 04/09/2014
- Compulsory FDs in Indian Overseas Bank (IOB, Mumbai) from RBI Bonds.
- Rs 50,00,000 (Rs Fifty Lakhs) expires on 10/11/2012 (DOC :- 28/2/2011)
- Rs 10,00,000 (Rs Ten Lakhs) expires on 10/11/2012 (DOC:- 28/02/2011)
- Rs 5,00,000 (Rs Five Lakhs) expires on 03/10/2011 (DOC :- 03/10/2009)

m. 80 - G Exemption has been granted for life.

2011/May/EC/04 Editor's Report

Journal Performance

Year 2010

We have received 944 articles in the year 2010 and peer-reviewers found only 229 (24%) articles worth publishing. All the accepted articles in the year 2010 have been published: editorials - 14 (6%), reviews - 11 (5%), Indian Perspective - 2 (1%), original articles - 70 (30%), brief reports - 26 (11%), case reports - 46 (20%), letters to editor - 96 (42%), and neuroimage section - 12 (5%). The ratio between original articles including brief reports and case report was 1:1.

Five topics have been covered in the "Topic of the Issue" section of the journal. This section was mainly conceived to improve the visibility of the journal and thus possibly the impact factor. This will be a regular feature in all the six issues in any year.

Year 2011

As on 6-5-2011, we have received 422 articles and peer-reviewers found 311 articles not worth publishing.



Of the remaining 111 articles, 71 (64%) articles have been accepted for publication. The remaining articles are either with the authors for revision (11, 10%) or with the peer-reviewers (29, 26%) for their expert comments. Of the 71 accepted articles, 15 (21%) articles have already been published. The waiting period from the date of acceptance to publication has been brought down considerably and is less than two months. Two topics have been covered in the "Topic of the Issue" section this year.

Performance Indices

There is significant reduction in the time schedules: 1) days until paper is under review: 13.33 days; 2) days from first decision until revision arrives: 12.59 days (range 0 - 63 days); days from the date of first submission to acceptance: 35.41 days (range 0 - 102 days); and days from acceptance to publication: 28.27 days (range 15 - 56 days). All this could be achieved because of the co-operation of the Editorial Board members and peer-reviewers. I place on record my sincere thanks to all of them.

Finances

Still the journal is heavily depending on the Society for the finances. We are trying our best to raise funds from the advertisements. The total amount of revenue generated from various sources including from the NSI in 2010 was Rs. 862,493.00 and the expenditure was Rs. 800,777.00. Present balance in the Editor's bank account is Rs. 61,716.00. We have to pay to the publishers for the first two issues in 2011.

Regarding achieving of all the issues of Neurology from the first volume, I have informed the resolution of the Executive Committee to Prof P Satishchandra. He informs me that he will place the item in the appropriate body of the Institute and will inform me the decision.

JMK Murthy
Editor, Neurology India
2011/May/EC/05 CME convener's report

Myself and Dr Apurva Pauranik would like to thank the EC and NSI members for their appreciation of the "Progress in Clinical Neurosciences " Vol 25th and suggestions. As in last year we would like to continue with colored pictures. We will be able to cover the increased finances through support of NSI and Industry. As per convention of theme based topics we would be having topics covering recent advances in the common session. In Neurology the main subjects covered will be aphasia and epilepsy. In Neurosurgery the main emphasis will be on Neuro-oncology viz Low grade glioma and aggressive meningiomas. There will be interesting debate on topics like "asymptomatic tethered cord" and "Lumbar Disc Arthroplasty". We have decided to continue with our publishers 'Byword Books' for their excellent work for the last few years.

Dr Deepu Banerji
Convener, CME



2011/May/EC/06 Webmaster's report

Dr. Rajshekhar mentioned that the present website managers who had defaulted in their work earlier were now cooperating and the work on the bulk email and e-voting was progressing well. So at present there was no move to replace the company as our website managers.

2011/May/EC/07 Presentation by Dr. Sampath, Org Secretary, 2011 Conference

Dr. Sampath presented the progress of the arrangements for the Annual Conference. The progress was satisfactory. One mailing has been sent to all the members and the website was up and running. The obligations of the Organising Secretary to the Society (both financial and other) were discussed during this interaction. It was pointed out that the audited statement of accounts of the Conference should be submitted to the Treasurer by 31st March 2012.

2011/May/EC/08 Changes in Constitution and Byelaws - Dr. Jain

The changes in the Constitution and Byelaws which were last updated nearly 10 years ago in 2002 were discussed extensively point by point and a consensus was arrived at in the EC. The amended Constitution and Byelaws are published elsewhere in the Newsletter. **(available on the website www.neurosocietyindia.org)**

2011/May/EC/09 Coordination of Subspeciality meetings - Dr. Rajshekhar

There have been a number of requests from members of NSI to try and make a schedule for subspeciality meetings. It is proposed that the Secretary, NSI writes to the Secretaries of the subspeciality groups with a proposed schedule for meetings. It is suggested that these subspeciality meetings be held every alternate year.

The proposed schedule is as follows:

Even years:

August: Neurotrauma

September: Cerebrovascular

October: Pediatric Neurooncology

Odd years:

Stereotactic

Skull Base



- 2011/May/EC/10 Letter from Dr. Deopujari - Education Committee to be formed
- Dr. Deopujari suggested the formation of an Education Committee of the NSI to co-ordinate educational activities of the Society. This was approved by the EC and included in the Byelaws. He and Dr. Pauranik were asked to Chair this committee and initiate steps to fulfill its objectives - namely to enhance educational activities of the Society directed towards the trainees and younger members.
- 2011/May/EC/11 Drs. Ramamurthi and Baldev Singh Orators
- Dr. Ramamurthi Orator for 2011 - Dr. Giovanni Broggi of Italy
Dr. Baldev Singh Orator for 2011 - To be decided
- 2011/May/EC/12 Letter from Dr. A K Banerji
- Dr. Banerji's suggestions on several matters relating the conduct of the Annual Conference were discussed. Some of them were accepted and it was decided to inform the Organizing Secretaries about the same.
- 2011/May/EC/13 Enhancement of fees for Member's address database.
- There are several requests from commercial organizations for the database of NSI members. At present this is being given to them for Rs. 5000. It was felt that it was reasonable to charge Rs. 10000 for the same. This was approved by the EC.
- 2011/May/EC/14 SANS from CNS for Indian neurosurgical residents - Letter from Dr. Sharan, President, AASAN
- Dr. Sharan has contacted Dr. Rajshekhar offering SANS (Self Assessment in Neurological Surgery) an online assessment module for Indian neurosurgical residents at no cost to them. It costs around USD 450 for American residents. The cost will be covered by corporate grants generated by AASAN in the US. Dr. Rajshekhar felt that this was an excellent opportunity for our residents and has agreed to the offer. The modalities of how this will be delivered will be discussed by Dr. Rajshekhar with Dr. Sharan so that the Associate Members who will benefit maximally from this should have ready access to it.
- 2011/May/EC/15 Election of WFNS President/other Office Bearers in September 2011
- The WFNS Nominating Committee has proposed Dr. Tu from Taiwan. There is a possibility that there may be other candidates from the floor. The EC approved the support for the following:



President: Dr. Tu from Taiwan;
Senior Vice President: Dr. Azevedo from Brazil;
Secretary: Dr. Basant Misra from India
Second Vice President (at large) - Dr. Akira Teramoto, Chairman, JNS, Japan
Asst Secretary - Dr. Kaoru Kurisu, Hiroshima, Japan

2011/May/EC/16 Letter from Dr. Saratchandra

Dr. Saratchandra, Organizing Secretary of the Annual Conference, New Delhi, 2012 requested permission to initiate moves to find a partner society for the conference. EC approved his request and asked him to go ahead with such moves and inform the EC of the outcome.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair and to Dr. Sampath and his colleagues for the arrangements made in Bangalore.

CONFERENCES

National:

- 1) 20th Annual Conference of the Neurotrauma Society of India
Dates: August 19-21, 2011
Organizer/Venue: Hotel Chankaya BNR, Ranchi, Jharkhand
Contact: Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Organising Secretary
Neurotrauma2011@gmail.com, www.neurotrauma2011.com
- 2) 12th Conference of the Indian Society for Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery (ISSFN 2011)
Dates: September 16-18, 2011
Organizer/Venue: The Raintree Hotel, Chennai
Contact: Dr.M.Balamurugan, Conference Secretariat
issfn2011@gmail.com, info@issfn2011.co.in
- 3) 11th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Cerebrovascular Surgery, International CME
Dates: October 8-9, 2011
Organizer/Venue: All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
Contact: Dr. Ashish Suri, Organizing Secretary
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