

**International Neuropsychological Society
Business Meeting
July 31, 2009
Marina Congress Centre**

1. Call to Order

President Michael Corballis called the meeting or order at 6:30 pm.

2. Treasurer Report

Dr. Gordon Chelune, INS Treasurer, reported that INS has done very well, considering the global economy. The society has enjoyed very successful meetings and we are “in good stead” financially with a comfortable reserve. Dr. van der Vlugt commented that since the Society is doing well financially that we might consider spending some of the surplus money on student programs. President Corballis thanked Dr. Chelune.

3. Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Robert Bornstein, Executive Secretary, reported that membership continues to grow, and is currently at 4,782. Dr. Bornstein was pleased to report that a higher proportion of new members were from outside North America, most likely due in part from the collaborative mid-year meetings with regional neuropsychological societies.

Dr. Bornstein reported on site selection for the next few years: 2010 Acapulco and Krakow; 2011 Boston and New Zealand; 2012 Montreal and Oslo; 2013 Hawaii and Thessalonica; 2014 Seattle. The Board is discussing ideas for future sites.

The Acapulco meeting was discussed extensively at the BOG meeting regarding concerns of H1N1, violence, and the economy. The cost implications of canceling the meeting, changing venues or postponing the meeting were all considered carefully. The Board decided to proceed with the meeting.

Committee Reports

4. Program Committee

Dr. Hokkanen is the Program Committee Chair for the Helsinki meeting.

The Finnish Neuropsychological Society appointed new honorary members at the meeting: Drs. Robert Bornstein, George Hynd, George Prigatano, and Edith Kaplan.

5. Continuing Education

Dr. Jennifer Manly, CE Director, reported that the Helsinki meeting had 5 CE courses taught by Drs. Braga, Iverson, Laaksonen, Taylor, and Martin. There are 10 courses planned for the Acapulco meeting which are spread through entire meeting.

4 courses are planned for Krakow with Drs. Hynd, Monsch, and Gabrieli. Dr. Manly thanked Dr. Hokkanen for helping with meeting. She thanked the president and the CE committee for helping choose courses.

If anyone is interested in joining the CE committee please let Dr. Manly know.

Dr. Manly announced that CE credits can be obtained after reading JINS articles.

6. Awards Committee

Dr. Heaton, Chair of the Award Committee presented the 1st Lifetime Achievement award last night to Barbara Wilson. The Early Career award will be presented at the Acapulco meeting to John Gunstad.

The committee will select a person for the Benton Award (mid-career achievement) which will be announced in Boston.

Dr. Heaton announced the awards presented at the Helsinki meeting: Nelson Butters Award – Jens Egeland; Laird S. Cermak Award - Pauline Spaan; Phillip M. Rennick Award - Annika Hultén. 5 awardees were selected for distinguished career awards: James Reed, Barbara C. Wilson, Steve Mattis, Marcel Kinsbourne, and Eileen Fennell. These are individuals at or near the end of their career who made significant contributions. Dr. Heaton would like help from the INS membership to identify who is near the end of their career and make suggestions to award committee.

7. Publications Committee

Dr. Dikmen reported that JINS is doing well for submissions and turn around time. She asked authors to please consider submitting best papers to JINS. JINS has a good reputation and a good impact factor - 2.62 impact factor which is better than the past 2 years.

Now when the article ready for publication it does not have to wait. It can be viewed on line for better access.

The INS BOG decided not to continue the book series because it is difficult to find an editor and there is little benefit to the society.

8. Elections

Dr. Bornstein announced that nominations for President are Gerry Taylor and Sandra Weintraub; Members at Large are Linda Claire, Paula Shear, Skye McDonald, Erik Hessen, and Mark Bondi.

9. Adjournment

Dr. Corballis again thanked Dr. Hokkanen and the many individuals who contributed to planning, organizing, and conducting the very successful Helsinki meeting.

President Corballis adjourned the business meeting at 6:48 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,
Bernice Marcopulos, Board Secretary*