

INS Business Meeting February 4, 2011

1. Call to Order

President Steven Rao called the meeting to order and welcomed the participants at 6:05 pm.

2. Treasurer Report

Dr. Gordon Chelune reported that the Society is in excellent financial shape. He thanked everyone for paying their dues. We have > \$1,000,000 in our bank account so we are managing our expenses well. Dr. Chelune asked the membership to consider contributing to the general awards account. The INS Board of Directors established new awards for the INS student group. Please make a tax deductible donation to the student activities. Dr. Rao congratulated Dr. Chelune on his five-year term.

3. Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Robert Bornstein recognized Sue O'Brien and Ave Sofranko for their hard work throughout the year, but especially for their work at the Boston meeting. He reported that the membership is stable at just under 5,000 and that it has been stable for many years. He reported that the Board of Directors is looking at mechanisms to increase the number of members, as well as increase the diversity. He said that the dues payment has been stable at around 75 percent, and he urged all members to pay their dues on time. He said the Boston meeting drew approximately 1800 attendees, and we were expecting 2200. We were hoping to meet our previous Boston meeting attendance, but we were unable to because of the weather. Nevertheless, it has been a very successful meeting.

The election results are in. It was an extremely close race. Four hundred fifty members voted. Jenny Ponsford is the President Elect; Andrew Mayes, Robert Bilder, and Maryse Lassonde are the new members at-large.

4. Future Meetings

Dr. Sky McDonald talked about the exciting program planned for the Auckland, New Zealand, meeting this summer on social cognition. This is going to be the fourth joint meeting that INS has planned with ASSBI. In 2012, our meetings will be in Montreal and Oslo. Eric Hessen is the chair for the Oslo meeting, and this represents the third joint meeting with Scandinavian societies at INS. In 2013, our meeting will be at the big island in Hawaii and Thessaloniki in Greece. Mary Kosmidis is making those arrangements. In 2004, we will be in Seattle. The location for the mid-year meeting has not been chosen but we've had proposals from Cape Town, South Africa, and Tel Aviv, Israel.

5. Program Chair

Dr. Sterling Johnson reported that there was a record number of abstract submissions for the Boston meeting. It was very challenging to allocate time for all the presentations. He wanted to thank Dr. Rao and Dr. Manly for their input. He also wanted to thank Ave and Sue and Susan Wheatley from the INS office, as well as Dr. Bornstein.

6. Continuing Education

Dr. Jennifer Manly stated that it was a pleasure to work with Drs. Johnson and Rao on the Boston meeting. There were 28 courses scheduled, and they had 3 cancellations because of the weather. She is already planning the Montreal program, and the Oslo program is also looking good. They are offering online continuing education credits for JINS articles and wanted to thank the committee for making the CE questions. This is the second to last meeting for Dr. Manly. They will be looking for a new CE Chair. If anyone is interested in the job, please direct your inquiries to Dr. Manly. Dr. Rao complimented Dr. Manly on a fantastic job. A search committee for the new CE Chair will be convened.

7. Publications

Dr. Sureyya Dikmen said that JINS is doing very well. They are receiving 27 papers per month for review. The turnaround time is very good. The impact factor has been steadily increasing and is currently 2.76. Authors can submit their papers online. They are looking to publish short reviews on the focus-pertinent topic. The INS Dictionary will be published in its second edition, and David Loring is the editor.

6. New Business

There was no new business.

7. Adjournment

Dr. Steven Rao introduced our new President Dr. Rus Bauer. Dr. Bauer thanked Dr. Rao for his wise leadership, for thinking outside the box, and for his energy and passion. Dr. Bauer adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
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