

**INS Business Meeting
July 20, 2018
Prague, Czech Republic**

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The INS Business meeting was conducted within the context of the Prague Closing Ceremony.

Yana Suchy, INS Program Chair thanked the organizations supporting the meeting, Program co- chair, Petr Kulišták, and Lenka Krámská, president of the Czech Neuropsychological Society (CENES). She also thanked Guarant International and the INS office for their work in organizing the meeting and contributing to its success.

Keith Yeates, INS President, opened the meeting and welcomed attendees at 5:10 pm local time.

- Dr. Yeates provided brief commentary on recent history of INS and the development of the Strategic Plan in 2015. He reviewed committee structure changes and efforts to increase involvement of members in the organization.
- Dr. Gordon Chelune highlighted activities in the organization following the 2015 Strategic Planning Retreat. INS adopted a more inclusive focus adopting principles of mutualism and international collaboration. He detailed the six major Reporting Committees and the committees under the Reporting Committees. He invited participants to become more involved in the Society.
- Yana Suchy, Chair of the Membership Committee, reviewed membership categories and changes to make the organization more early career and more world friendly; the ranges of membership dues are now tiered for highly resourced to low resourced countries. Student dues were reduced. There are 4000 members from more than 50 countries; Y. Suchy reviewed benefits of INS membership.
- Anouk Smit, Co-Chair of the Student Liaison Committee (SLC) discussed the SLC and how to join.
- Jon Evans, Co-Chair of the International Liaison Committee (ILC) discussed the commitment to support neuropsychology around the world, the ILC research and editing consulting program, and the book and journal depository program that recently shipped 21 books to Uganda. He also reviewed the Charles Matthews Fund for education and training activities and recent awardees.
- G. Chelune reviewed modifications of the INS website to help support the Society's many ongoing activities
- Margaret O'Connor discussed the video archive of legendary figures in INS and neuropsychology. The video library will soon be accessible on the INS website; she asked for suggestions of individuals to include in the archive to preserve neuropsychology's legacy.
- Holly Miskey, Chair of the Science Committee, discussed the innovation of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) that currently include oncology, epilepsy, and cultural neuropsychology. She discussed how to get more information on SIGs and how to organize a group. She is working on ways to connect individuals interested in organizing a SIG.

- Roy Kessels, Chair of the Awards Committee commented on the Awards Ceremony and awardees; he reviewed procedures for the awards and noted that support letters can be submitted in any language. He acknowledged the 2018 award winners, as follows:
 - Satz award: Dr Emilia Lojek (Warsaw, Poland)
 - Benton Mid-career award: Dr Sallie Baxendale (London, UK)
 - Early Career award: Dr Ondrej Bezdicek (Prague, Czech Republic)
 - Lifetime Achievement – Education award: Dr Petr Kulistak (Prague, Czech Republic)
 - Distinguished Career award: Dr Jiri Diamant (Amsterdam, Netherlands/Prague, Czech Republic)

Nominations are being sought for future meeting awards in New York and Rio, particularly nominees for the Early Career Award.

- Keith Yeates reviewed upcoming meetings. The theme of the New York 2019 meeting is “Embracing the Biopsychosocial Melting Pot” which will include topics related to morality and ethics in brain imaging and neurogenesis. He also noted that there is a raffle for signing up early for the NY meeting sponsored by Marriott. Vicki Anderson commented on the July 2019 meeting which will be in Rio de Janeiro; the July 2020 meeting will be in Vienna.
- Bruce Hermann, Treasurer, reported that INS remains in sound financial shape and that the investment strategy was recently changed per BOG approval to increase investment in equities.
- Questions from the audience were requested. K. Yeates mentioned that INS is looking for a newsletter editor.
- Past-President, Michael Kopelman brought up the issue of nomenclature of meetings and questioned why changes that had been approved at the last BOG meeting had not yet been instituted. K. Yeates noted that the INS Board of Governors revisited this topic and that the Prague meeting will be last meeting that will be called mid-year and NY will be last annual. Beginning with the Rio meeting, INS will institute new nomenclature that will include the number of the meeting, year, and location.
- Future directions for the society- MOU’s were signed with 2 organizations
 - Sociedad Latinoamericana de Neuropsicología (SLAN) President, Aldo Ferreres, noted his pleasure in signing this agreement which will help strengthen links between the INS and SLAN organizations.
 - Jacinta Douglas, President of the Australasian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment (ASSBI), noted that ASSBI has much in common with INS, and the MOUs represents the joining together of like societies invested in making a difference in the lives of individuals who deal with the impact of brain injury.
- Lenka Krámská, President of the Czech Neuropsychological Society (CENES), thanked all groups supporting the meeting; mini tour options sponsored by the local society members were reviewed.
- New Business: there was no new business.

Adjourn: K. Yeates adjourned the meeting at 5:50 local time.

Respectfully submitted by Celiane Rey-Casserly, INS Secretary