



## Minutes from the NSI General Assembly 2006 November 22<sup>nd</sup>, Oslo, Domus Medica, Lille Aud

### **Agenda**

*Opening and welcome by the President*

- *Approval of the agenda*

*Annual report from the board*

- *Presentation of the board*
- *NSI meeting history/activities 2005-2006*
- *Economy*
- *Approval of the annual report with statutory accounts*

*Information about the Scandinavian Society for Immunology*

*Elections*

- *New board members*
- *Election committee*
- *Auditors*
- *Approval of local board in Bergen*

*Proposal from the board*

- *Membership fees 2007*

*Other matters*

The agenda was unanimously approved.

### **Members present**

18 NSI members were present at the beginning of the General Assembly.

### **Annual report and economy**

The annual report and statutory accounts were unanimously approved. Despite a 2.281,34 NOK deficit, the financial situation is sound. The accounts were revised by auditors Ludvig Munthe and Tone Berge.

See “*Annual report with statutory accounts 2006*” for details.

### **Elections**

#### **Board**

President: Johanna Olweus continues (2<sup>nd</sup> year of her term).

Treasurer: Jan Terje Andersen (new), elected for 2 years, replaces Alexandre Corthay.

Secretary: Anne Lise K. Hestvik (new), elected for 2 years, replaces Anders Sandvik

Board member: Stig Tollefsen continues (2<sup>nd</sup> year of his term).

Board member: Edith Rian (new), elected for 2 years.

#### **Bergen branch board (new)**

Leader: Karl A. Brokstad, elected for 2 years

Member: Silke Appel, elected for 2 years

Member: Torbjørn Hansen, elected for 2 years

Member: Kate Frøland, elected for 2 years

See “*Annual report with statutory accounts 2006*” for details.

## **Auditors**

The board would like to thank the auditors Ludvig Munthe and Tone Berge for revising the NSI accounts. The auditors are to be replaced/re-elected at the 2007 general assembly.

## **Election committee**

The board would like to thank the members of the election committee for their effort. Ludvig Munthe and Anders Sandvik replace Tor Lea and Erik Dissen. The new committee will serve for 2 years.

Elections were approved by the general assembly by acclamation

## **Membership fees 2006-2007**

- Ordinary members (PhD stud. incl.) 250 NOK
- Student members 150 NOK
- NFIT members 200 NOK
- Patrons/Company members 5000 NOK

The new membership fees were accepted by the general assembly.

Considering the fact that most, if not all, NSI activities have been held in Oslo, concerns regarding a need to balance increased fees with the possibility of recruiting new members outside of Oslo was raised and discussed.

See “*Annual report with statutory accounts 2006*” for details.

## **Other matters discussed**

Although most NSI meetings have been held in Oslo, NSI still have the ambition to be a national society. The board realizes that not all members get the same value for their money. Thus, to provide a better offer to our members outside of Oslo the possibility to broadcast NSI meetings and seminars via the web was suggested. The board finds this idea appealing, but do not have the resources at present to execute this. NSI seminars are given in university lecture halls and seminar rooms and until these venues are fitted with the appropriate video lecture equipment (by the university), NSI will not be able to get the seminars and guest lectures on line.

In the same general discussion regarding further recruitment and how NSI can provide value to our members, the desire for additional local branches were discussed. The board is currently working to establish contact with key persons outside of the Oslo region. A formalized branch board is now in place in Bergen and experiences from this collaboration will be valuable in the planning of further local branches.