

Minutes

General Assembly Turku 28th of August 2013 1715 -1830, LOGOMO. Number of Participants: 26

Heading	Presenting	Information/ Discussion	Follow-up
Election of chairman of the meeting	President Sigridur Kalman	Sigridur Kalman was elected chairman of the meeting. She was replaced by Lars Wiklund from section 7 on the agenda and to the end of the meeting. Auditors for the Minutes were not decided upon	The minutes are drafted by the General secretary and made official on SSAI.info for approval on the GA during the Reykjavik Congress in 2015
Approval of the minutes from the GA in Bergen	President Sigridur Kalman	Approved	
Report from the President and the Board	Sigridur Kalman	A short report from the Board was given by President Sigridur Kalman. She emphasized that SSAI is an organization dependent on the volunteer work of the board and the different committees. Further that the main task of the board is to deal with controversies and matters of strategic importance for the organization. Another main task of the board is to ease the burden on the local congress organizers. She also underlined that arranging the congresses in collaboration with the national societies is a win – win situation. As an organization SSAI will continue facilitating the collaboration between the five countries on education and research.	
Report from the committees	Educational committee: Leila Niemi-Murola Clinical Practice committee: Jon Henrik Laake Research Committee: Palle Toft Acta Committee: Lars Rasmussen	Educational committee (EdCom) The committee has five members one from each of the Scandinavian countries. It is a new Norwegian member (after Per Kristian Hyldmo that served for 10 years) – Conrad Bjørshol- and the Swedish member Karin Løwhagen has to be replaced. The Danish member is Helle Thy Østergaard (since 2008) and Einar Einarsson (Iceland) Communication is mainly by SKYPE, and the annual meeting is planned in December. There is a continuous communication with the AEPs (educational programs), and at the moment there are five educational programs. A meeting with the heads of the AEPs are planned in March 2014. Problems within the programs are discussed and pedagogical input is offered. Two new programs are starting, The CVTA (Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine 2013-	pdfs attached named EdCom CPC RC Acta

		<p>2015) and the PoMM (Perioperative Management and Medicine). The EdCOM also want feedback from the departmental heads concerning value of the different programs from the perspective of the departmental heads. A survey has been performed and a poster on the results is presented on the congress. Feedback and counterfeedback is performed.</p> <p>Clinical Practice Committee (CPC): The committee has one member from each country. Ann Møller (D) has resigned and is replaced by Anders Perner. A new member from Iceland is pending after Gudmundur Klemenzson. Michael Haney and Kai Kiviluoma represent Sweden and Finland, respectively. Meetings in the CPC are attended by the president. In 2011 it was decided that the SSAI should develop guidelines in accordance with the GRADE methodology. The process was endorsed by SSAI in January 2013. To help with the work professor Per Olav Vandvik (N) from the GRADE working group has been engaged. Three taskforces are started with the aim to publish AAS – Evidence based guidelines for acute circulatory failure (Anders Perner) Evidence based guidelines for acute Renal failure (Ville Petillae), Evidence based guidelines for mechanical ventilation in ARDS (Jon Henrik Laake). A guideline on postoperative pain management, started several years ago is also soon finished. After the initial process there is also a plan to update the old guidelines with the same methodology. An application for money has been sent to the Nordic Council mainly to make it possible to be a part of MAGIC (i.e to Make Grade the irresistible choice) which is a concept to ease updating and dissemination of guidelines (PCs, smartphones and tablets). There is also a plan to revise all guidelines developed by SSAI according to GRADE.</p> <p>Research Committee (RC): The report from the RC was presented by the head of the committee Palle Toft. The member from Finland is pending since Lena Lindgren has retired. RC needs a new member from Finland. RC has evaluated the abstracts submitted to the congress and applications for the research grant. There were 11 applicants for the research grants and after handling in the board it was decided to give grants til 5 of the applicants. During autumn more clear and strict criteria for evaluation of grants will be discussed and decided on in collaboration with the board.</p> <p>Acta Committee: There are 19 editors on the editorial board, with representation from all the Nordic countries. There are more than 800 submissions per year with an acceptance rate of approx. 25%. Most of the published articles are from Scandinavia, but >50% of the submissions are from outside Scandinavia. A majority of</p>	
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Report from the Acta Foundation	Ivar Gøthgen	Acta Foundation is a company and its main purpose is to publish ACTA. The foundation shall also promote collaboration between the Nordic countries on education and research. Numbers on finances is attached to the minutes.	pdf attached ACTA foundation
Report from the Congress president	Klaus Olkkola	The program covered all pillars. There was some contribution from nurses. There were 95 abstracts, all but 6 was presented as posters. Large Faculty altogether 137 people; 18 of the speakers came from Turku. Two tasks per speakers. Delegates came mainly from The Nordic countries and Europe; 81 participants from Denmark, 75 from Sweden, 57 form Norway and 7 from Iceland. Very few abstracts from Sweden and Norway. Cost approx 460 000 euro, with an estimated surplus of approx. 50 000 Euro.	pdf attached Congress Turku
<p>Financial report for SSAI</p> <p>a) Submission of audited annual account for the foregoing years for approval</p> <p>b) Submission of a budget for the next two years for approval</p>	Tom Silfvast	<p>Income to the society is from membership fee (300 000 DK/year), from bonds, from conferences and from dividend from the capital. SSAI sponsors new educational programs, but the programs are self-sustained. Cashamount of 2 million was invested in bonds in 201. Finances are reviewed by deLoitte Assets has increased with 2 million DKK, cash amount 1,3 million DKK</p> <p>In conclusion the financial situation is stable. The board consider that 8 million DKK is need</p> <p>The board does not suggest a fixed budget for the next two years since cash flow is fluctuating over time.</p> <p>The accounts were approved.</p>	pdf attached
Relief of responsibility for the Board		The board was given relief of responsibility of the GA	
Decision of membership fee	Tom Silfvast	The membership fee is kept unchanged for the next 2 years; i.e 100 DK	

Election of a. Auditors b. Honorary treasurer		DeLoitte was re-elected Auditor Tom Silfvast was elected honorary treasurer	
The SSAI homepage http://www.SSAI.info	Håkon Trønnes	The present webeditor took over 2 years ago. The collaboration with the former provider, Akuttjournalen was terminated, and the structure of the webpage was changed, and is still changing in order to make the SSAI.info more suitable for tablets and smartphones. The SSAI web is well visited, as the last year it has been more than 9571 unique visitors, 26 unique visitors/day. 60% come to the website through search engines. Working on a new design. Old stuff need to be updated. What do SSAI members look when you go into SSAI.info.	
Proposals		None	
Future plans for the 33 th SSAI Congress in Reykjavik	Congress President Alma Møller	June 10-12 th of June 2015. Pre congresscourses, active on Facebook and Harpa, brand new congress center. Signed contract with the congress provider. Theme – matters on the heart 1/3 will have to do with the heart. 6 parallel sessions. Two pre-congress courses – 2 advanced courses – probably renal failure, and one course in collaboration with ESICM probably hemodynamic monitoring. Lot of social events are planned.	Pdf attached Iceland 2015
Any other business		None	
		The GA was closed 1830	