



Neuropathology Society of India (NPSI)

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Dear Members of Neuropathology Society of India (NPSI),

The agenda for the Fourth General Body Meeting of the Neuropathology Society of India to be held on Feb 15th 2019, Friday at 5.30pm in PGI, Chandigarh is as follows:

The Agenda for the NPSI Annual General Body Meeting is as follows: -

1. Welcome Address – President NPSI – Dr SK Shankar
2. Confirmation of Minutes of last GB Meeting
3. NPSI Secretary Report – Dr Chitra Sarkar
4. Ratification of membership of NPSI- Dr. Anita Mahadevan
5. NPSI Treasurer Report – Dr. Vani Santosh
6. Brief Report on NPSICON 2019 – Dr. BD Radotra, Organising Chairperson
7. Announcement of next NPSICON – selection of venue and tentative dates
8. Installation of Office bearers for 2019-20
9. Any other matters with permission of Chair
 - a) frequency of NPSICON
 - b) conduct of mid term EC
 - c) Membership eligibility and payment mode
10. Vote of Thanks to the Chair

Please make it convenient to attend

Thanking You

Sincerely,

Chitra Sarkar

Dr Chitra Sarkar
Secretary, NPSI

Dr. Anita Mahadevan
Jt Secretary, NPSI



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4th Annual Conference of NPSI

Minutes of the General Body Meeting held on 15th Feb.2019 at PGIMER, Chandigarh

The General Body meeting of the Fourth Annual Conference of NPSI was held on 15th Feb.2019 in the Seminar hall, Department of Histopathology, PGI, Chandigarh at 6 PM. Due to lack of quorum, the meeting was adjourned and reconvened after 10 minutes.

The President, NPSI - Dr SK Shankar could not attend the meeting and Dr C Sundaram, President Elect, conducted the meeting on his behalf.

Agenda Item No 1: Welcome address by the President NPSI

Dr Sundaram welcomed all the members to the GBM. On behalf of NPSI, she thanked Dr Radotra and his team for the excellent arrangements and the hospitality. She then requested the Hon Secretary, Dr Chitra Sarkar to proceed with the agenda.

Agenda Item No 2: Confirmation of the minutes of the last General Body Meeting (held in Lucknow)

Resolution: The minutes of the last GBM were circulated to all the members by email. As there were no comments/suggestions from the Members, the minutes were considered to be approved.

Proposed by Dr. Sarala Das and seconded by Dr. RK Saran

Agenda Item No 3: NPSI Secretary Report:

Dr Chitra Sarkar presented the report.

- The last NPSICON held at RML, Lucknow under chairmanship of Dr. Nuzhat Hussain was attended by 248 participants and had 2 preconference workshops – Molecular Pathology and peripheral nerve biopsy [60+38 attendees respectively]. There were 7 International and 50 national faculty and the conference was very well organized and appreciated by all the members. The first Dr Subimal Roy award was given to Dr Suwendu Purkait, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar and 5 poster prizes were awarded in the following categories- neoplastic, non-neoplastic, case reports
- A large contingent of NPSI members (Dr BD Radotra, Dr Kirti Gupta from PGI; Dr. MC Sharma & Dr Vaishali Suri from AIIMS; Dr Anita Mahadevan from NIMHANS; Dr



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Nuzhat Hussain and Dr. Kiranpreet Malhotra from RML Institute) attended the Neuropathology CME organized by Prof. Nowfel Islam, Department of Neuropathology, National Institute of Neurosciences, and Bangladesh Academy of Pathology held at Dhaka from 27-28th April 2018.

- Several of the EC members were invited by the International Society of Neuropathology at Tokyo, Japan from Sept 21-24th 2018 as resource persons which is an honor for the Society. The invitation by Prof. Hitoshi Takahashi, President of International Society of Neuropathology to host the Asian Association of Neuropathology with the next NPSICON in 2020 in India was formally accepted by NPSI President, Prof SK Shankar.
- She informed that a patient's family member (known to her) has donated Rs. 50,000/- and this can be used for any purpose as decided by the society.
- Regarding Dr Subimal Roy award for the year 2019, she informed that
- Dr Sudha was the winner of Dr Subimal Roy award for 2018-19 for her paper entitled "Clinicopathological and molecular characteristics of pediatric meningiomas", published in the journal 'Neuropathology'. She will present the work the next day in the conference.
- Best paper award will be given from the donation of Dr. Manisha Bagchi. Dr. Sarkar explained the mechanism of evaluation that had been followed for selection of the best paper award in two groups i.e. Neoplastic and Non-neoplastic.
 - Three judges were selected by the President, NPSI
 - All abstracts submitted were sent to the Judges for evaluation
 - Objective assessment and scoring was done and average of the score of the three judges was taken
 - Top six papers were chosen for oral presentation during the conference – three each in Neoplastic and Non-Neoplastic group.
 - These six papers will be presented as Oral papers in the conference next day and will be evaluated by a separate group of three judges.
 - First prize in each group will be given from the interest of the donation money of Dr. Bagchi on behalf of NPSI. Second and third prizes in each group will be given by the local organizers.



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Resolution: The report was accepted; *proposed by Dr VV Radhakrishnan and seconded by Dr Geeta Chacko.*

Agenda Item No 4. Ratification of membership of NPSI

Dr Anita Mahadevan could not attend the meeting. Dr Chitra Sarkar presented her report.

New memberships for the year enrolled into NPSI– 42 [16 Life members, 12 Full members, 13 Associate members]. The applications have been scrutinized by the Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer.

The total membership of the Society has now reached 241 [144 Life Members, 48 Full Members, 49 Associate members].

Dr. Banerjee suggested that NRI neuropathologists should be encouraged to become members of the Society.

Resolution (Agenda No.4): Proposal of new membership for 42 members was accepted by EC.

Proposed by Dr. Epari Sridhar and seconded by Dr. Kirti Gupta

Agenda Item No 5: NPSI Treasurer Report

Dr. Vani Santosh presented the Treasurer's report and the Audited Statements of interim accounts as on 31st Jan 2019 was circulated amongst the members.

. The donations to the Society were enumerated –

- (i) Rs.1,50,000/- saved by NPSICON held at NIMHANS, Bangalore
- (ii) Rs.50,000/- saved by NPSICON held at RML IMS, Lucknow
- (iii) Rs.50,000/- donated by family of a patient known to Dr. Chitra Sarkar

Dr. Vani stated that there are currently 4 fixed deposits of NPSI amounting to a total of Rs.15,56,000/-. All of them are maturing in 2019. The saving bank account currently has Rs.1,27,000/-. There was a proposal by Dr. A.K. Banerjee to consider other banks for F.D. to get better interest before renewing the existing F.D.s for two years. It was decided that Rs.1,00,000/- should always be kept in savings bank account for secretarial assistance, website maintenance etc. A sum of Rs.5000/- was agreed upon for financial assistance for secretarial help.

Resolution: (Agenda No. 5): The EC members accepted and approved the interim audited statements of Dr. Vani Santosh, Treasurer



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Proposed by: Dr. Ashru Banerjee and seconded by Dr. Geeta Chacko

Agenda Item No 6: Brief report on the organization of NPSICON by Dr Bishan Radotra, organizing secretary

Dr. Radotra presented the report of NPSICON 2019. The total registrations were 270.

Resolution: Dr. C. Sundaram, on behalf of all members thanked Dr Radotra and appreciated the organization of the conference.

Proposed by Dr Vaishali Suri, Seconded by Dr Meenakshi Swain

Agenda Item No 7: Announcement of next NPSICON

Dr Chitra Sarkar had earlier informed the EC regarding her inability to host the NPSI meeting at AIIMS New Delhi in 2020 as was originally planned (email dated 14th Sept 2018) and the EC had approved change in venue of the next NPSICON to NIMHANS, upon formal acceptance by Dr Vani Santosh on behalf of Department of Neuropathology to host the next NPSICON in 2020.

The EC also discussed the request from Prof Hitoshi Takahashi, President of International Congress of Neuropathology to NPSI to host the next meeting of Asia-Oceanian Society of Neuropathology (AOSNP) in India in September 2020. The invitation was formally accepted by the President of NPSI, Dr SK Shankar and conveyed to the President of AOSNP at the General Assembly of the 4th Congress of AOSNP held in September 25, 2018 at Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo. The EC decided to hold the AOSNP meeting along with the NPSICON 2020.

On behalf of NIMHANS, Dr. Vani Santosh accepted to host the combined NPSI and Asia-Oceanian Society of Neuropathology (AOSNP) Conference in Sept 2020 at NIMHANS, Bangalore, possibly in the 3rd week at NIMHANS, Bangalore, but would confirm the dates soon and inform the EC.

Resolution (Agenda No.7): *Next NPSICON would be hosted by Department of Neuropathology, NIMHANS in Sept 2020 with Asia-Oceanian Society of Neuropathology (AOSNP).*

Proposed by Dr Ashru Banerjee, Seconded by Dr RK Saran

Agenda Item No 8: Installation of office bearers for 2019-2020

As per the recommendation of EC and in consultation with Dr SK Shankar, Dr Chitra Sarkar is nominated for the post of President-Elect. Accordingly, Dr C Sundaram will be President NPSI



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and Dr Chitra Sarkar, President Elect for 2019-2020. Dr Anita Mahadevan was requested to be Secretary for the same period (in addition to being Joint Secretary).

The recommendation was accepted by all members and the new office bearers were congratulated.

Resolution (Agenda No.8): Prof Chitra Sarkar was unanimously nominated President Elect of NPSI, and Dr Anita Mahadevan as Hon Secretary. Elections will be conducted for Office bearers for 2020-2021.

Proposed by Dr VV Radhakrishnan, Seconded by Dr Ashru Banerjee

Agenda Item No 9: Any other matters with the permission of the chair

a. Frequency of NPSICON

A suggestion was made whether NPSICON may be conducted alternate years. After much deliberation, it was resolved to maintain status quo.

b. Conduct of midterm EC

The issue of conducting midterm EC was raised and the difficulties in the conduct were discussed. Dr C Sundaram suggested to conduct a CME between annual conferences and to organize midterm EC during that time as this time there is a gap of nearly one and half years between the conferences. It was resolved to let the EC decide to explore the possibilities.

c. Membership eligibility and payment mode

Issues regarding membership were discussed. It was resolved that five years after MD to become life members; PDCC and DM after requisite period (as mentioned in constitution).

d. SOP for best paper award

As per the recommendation of EC, it was decided to keep the eligibility age <40 years, two awards to be given by the society – one in non-neoplastic and another in neoplastic category. Second and third prizes can be decided by the organizers.

Proposed by Dr E Sridhar, Seconded by Dr RK Saran

Agenda Item No 10: Vote of thanks to the chair

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and to all the office bearers of the association. The members thanked Dr S.K Shankar for his guidance and encouragement. The

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members welcomed the new office bearers and thanked Dr Radotra for the organization of the conference.