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General Assembly, 15.05.2009, Antalya

General Assembly

Date: Friday, 15th of May 2009

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Location: Rixos Sungate Hotel, Antalya, Turkey

Minutes created by: Marie Baubin

Date of minutes: May 20, 2009

Speaker DISCUSSED ISSUE

1. Opening and Welcome

By President of ESTES, Selman Uranüs

2. Approval of the Agenda

Unanimously approved

3. Election of Recording Secretary

Marie Baubin unanimously approved as recording secretary

4. Presidential Report

- Selman Uranüs
- Four board meetings were held since last congress
 - ESTES homepage has been updated
 - International co-operations have been initialized (e.g. EFORT, AAST (will be participating at 2011 congress in Milan), AITSIC, ...)

5. Report of the Secretary General

- Korhan Taviloglu
- Members Update:
- 585 Individual Members (from 69 different countries)
 - Leading countries (starting from top): Turkey, Netherlands, Italy, Romania, Austria, Croatia, Switzerland, Germany, Greece, USA, Sweden, UK, ...)
 - 19 Institutional Members (from 17 different countries)
 - Austrian Trauma Society
 - Belgian Trauma Society
 - Croatian Urgent Medicine and Surgery Association
 - Croatian Medical Association/Croatian Trauma Society

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- Czech Trauma Society
- Dutch Trauma Society
- French Emergency Surgery Society
- German Trauma Society
- Hellenic Society for Trauma & Emergency Surgery
- Hungarian Trauma Society
- Italian TES (SICUT)
- Lusitanian (Portugese) Association of Trauma & Emergency Surgery
- Romanian TES (SRCUT)
- Serbian Trauma Society
- Slovakian Trauma Society
- Slovenian Trauma Society
- Swiss Society of Trauma & Emergency Surgery (SGAUC)
- Swiss Trauma Society (SGTV)
- Turkish Association for Trauma & Emergency Surgery
- Altogether approximately 7500 members
- Application of Swedish Trauma Society received --> application still needs to be completed

All ESTES national member societies are asked to answer emails sent by ESTES General Secretary sooner, so that a closer co-operation can be ensured! Unfortunately, some emails are not answered .

6. Report of the Congress President

Korhan Taviloglu as congress president gives a short summary about the scientific program, activities of the sections, registration status, and postgraduate courses. An exact number of participants he will be able to announce during the closing ceremony. As far the congress is well attended.

7. Reports of the Section Chairs

7.1 Education

- Mauro Zago
- 6 members in section committee
 - 2 new committee members elected in the day before's section business meeting
 - Questionnaire has been created --> will be sent to all educational section members
 - Dr. Boris Hreckovski one of the committee members --> good example for cooperation of different sections (Educational Section & Disaster and Military Surgery Section) --> Mass casualty management course in Croatia has been organised

7.2 Skeletal Trauma and Sports Medicine

- Hans Jörg Öestern
- Activities:
- Preparation Brussels Meeting 2010 --> proposed topics
 - Planning of breakfast sessions --> special program for young surgeons
 - Planning on creating a program for hosting residents from other countries for one or two weeks in chosen clinics

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- Research

7.3 Emergency Surgery

Ari Leppäniemi Activities:

- Topic proposals for Brussels Meeting 2010
- Future steps:
 - Create bylaws committee
 - Organize emergency surgery course (leader: Abe Fingerhut)
 - Piling together information for ESTES Webpage

7.4 Visceral Trauma

- Carlos Mesquita
- Three committee members: Carlos Mesquita, Luke Leenen, Pantelis Vassiliu
 - Working rules for section has been set up
 - additional committee members to be voted for at section meeting
 - 93 members now --> 53 have responded to mailing --> all who have not received any mailings and are members of this section are asked to get into contact with the administrative office
 - Meeting in October --> next steps / proposals for Brussels Meeting
 - Business meeting will take place on Saturday, 16th of May 2009 --> on agenda a wrong day has been announced!

7.5 Disaster and Military Surgery

- Sten Lennquist
- Adjusted bylaws to the working rules of ESTES
 - National representatives in section from almost all member countries
 - Pre-congress course has been organised at this year's annual ESTES meeting in Antalya
 - Disaster Journal (incorporated in EJTES) is developing well
 - Organized post graduate course in Croatia in April 2009
 - Next post graduate course in November 11 – 15, 2009
 - Pre congress course planned for Brussels meeting 2010

7.6 General info on Sections

Selman Uranüs Reports on specialist sections will be published one by one in the following issues of the European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery

8. EJTES, Report of the Editor-in-Chief

- Pol Maria Rommens, (representing Ingo Marzi)
- Journal EJTES is going well
 - In 2008 there have been 242 applications for publication (109 case reports, 106 original reports, etc.) → 40% acceptance rate
 - The impact factor will be known in 2010 (the precise number is not sure yet)

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- EJTES not yet in PubMed, but decision should be taken mid of 2009
- EJTES highlights in every issue a "Focus On" → if someone is interested please contact Pol Maria Rommens or Ingo Marzi

9. Financial report – Approval and Treasurer's Discharge from Responsibility

- Eric Voiglio
- Administrative account in Vienna:
 - Surplus from Budapest congress: EUR 60,000.-
 - Costs of journal (EJTES): EUR 21,300.-
 - 2008 Balance of administrative account in Vienna: ca. EUR 57,000.-
 - Reserves in France:
 - EUR 164,000.- working since April 2008
 - Now EUR 221,000.- in reserves
 - EUR 50,000.- of administrative account to be transferred to reserves in France
 - Need of provisional budget for ESTES starting from 2010

all It has been unanimously approved by the general assembly to discharge Eric Voiglio as treasurer

10. Election of the President-Elect

Selman Uranüs The past presidents, Sten Lennquist and Otmar Trentz, are stepping down from the ESTES Board.
From Monday on the new ESTES president will be Pol Maria Rommens

The candidate for president elect which has been unanimously approved by the Executive Board is Abe Fingerhut. The President gives a short summary about the eminent work of Abe Fingerhut on Trauma and Emergency Surgery. Then he asked the members for their approval of Professor Abe Fingerhut as President elect.

all Abe Fingerhut is unanimously approved by the general assembly as president elect

Pol Maria Rommens Address by Pol Maria Rommens as upcoming president --> Call for building bridges!

Juan Asensio AAST is happy to work closely together with ESTES
AAST will forward information on an international visiting scholarships program to ESTES
--> there will be one space available for a European surgeon
--> aim is to extend and build stronger bridges and ties of understanding

11. Future Congresses

Selman Üranüs Future ESTES Congresses:
2010 in Brussels, Belgium (congress president: Dr. Stefaan Nijs)
2011 in Milan, Italy (congress president: Prof. Mauro Zago)

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2012 in Basel, Switzerland (congress president: Prof. Dominik Heim)

Executive Committee has agreed to accept candidature of Lyon, France, for 2013. The President asks the members for their approval.

all Lyon is unanimously approved by the general assembly as congress site for 2013

12. Other business

Korhan Taviloglu One of the main sponsoring societies for this year's meeting is EFORT
Kindly invites Prof. Dr. Pierre Hoffmeyer to come up to the stage to accept the certificate of ESTES

13. Closing remarks

Closing remarks by Selman Uranüs