

Minutes of the General Assembly of the European Society for Muscle Research held September 24th, 2015 at the XLIV European Muscle Conference, in Warsaw, Poland.

§1 The chairman of the European Society for Muscle Research (ESMR), Professor Anders Arner, welcomed the assembly to the meeting and explained the nature of the ESMR as well as its relationship to the European Muscle Conferences. He also expressed thanks from the Society and the participants to the local organizers, Prof Jolanta Redowicz and colleagues, for hosting a very successful meeting in Warsaw.

§2 Prof Arner proposed Dr Elisabeth Ehler to be appointed to take the minutes of the General Assembly.

This was **agreed** by the Assembly.

§3 The current members of the Board of the Society were presented.

Anders Arner, Chairman, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden (elected 2013)
Bernhard Brenner, Medizinische Hochschule, Hannover, Germany (2013)
Laurence Stevens, Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille, France (2013)
Steven Marston, Secretary, Imperial College School of Medicine, London, UK, (2013)
Carlo Reggiani, Università di Padova, Italy (2013)
Marcus C. Schaub, University of Zurich, Switzerland (2013)
Ger Stienen, Treasurer, VUmc, Amsterdam, the Netherlands (2013)
Wolfgang Linke, Bochum, Germany (2013)
Elisabeth Ehler, King's College London, UK (2015)
Chiara Tesi, Università degli Studi di Firenze, Florence, Italy (2015)

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The minutes of the previous meeting in Salzburg 2014 had been available at the Society homepage (www.esmr.org). No further comments were made and the minutes **were approved**.

§5

Prof Arner reported on the activities by the Board regarding the official registration of the Society. The Society is now registered as a charitable organization ("ideell förening") in Sweden and a bank account has been opened to keep the Society funds. The tax declaration has been submitted in Sweden.

The economical statement of 2014/15 was presented. The Society funds (SEK **277 029.52 approximately 27 653 EUR** by Sept 14th, 2015) originate from membership fees. The auditor (Prof Ingo Morano, elected 2014) has reviewed the economical statement and had no objections.

This Assembly granted discharge of liability for the Board.

The annual membership fee was decided to be 10 EUR/year, paid by meeting delegates as a part of the registration fee. The assembly approved that that part of the membership fees are used to support young scientist symposia.

The following **election was made** (for 2015). The election period is 4 years.

Jolanta Redowicz, Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology, Warsaw, Poland

It was further **agreed that** Drs Anders Arner and Ger Stienen can independently sign for the Society in economical matters.

- §6. Profs Stefan Galler (Austria) and Ingo Morano (Germany) were elected auditor and deputy auditor for 2014/15.
- §7. Prof Mathias Gautel presented the activities of the JMRCM.
- §8. No other issues were raised.
- §9. The plans for the annual meeting 2016 in Montpellier organized by Drs Jeremy Fauconnier, Alain Lacampagne, Jacques Mercier and Olivier Cazorla were presented and approved. Wolfgang Linke was asked to make plans for a meeting in 2017 in Germany.

The Assembly was closed.

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