

**Minutes of the Business Meeting**

**Joint Section on Pediatric Neurological Surgery**

**Hotel del Coronado  
San Diego, CA**

**December 7, 2000**

**Business Meeting**

The American Association of Neurological Surgeons-Congress of  
Neurological Surgeons Joint Section on Pediatric Neurosurgery

April 9, 2002

McCormick Place, Lakeside  
Chicago, IL

**Call to Order:**

Thomas G. Luerksen, M.D., Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**Approval of the minutes:**

There was a motion that the minutes of the previous business meeting at our December 2001 meeting be accepted. There were no corrections and the minutes were approved by acclamation.

**Financial Report:**

Dr. Wisoff reported the treasury to be roughly \$20,000 in the black although expenses would still be tallied against this until the close of the fiscal year.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership Committee:**

Dr Rick Abbott presented the following names for Tina Duhaime as applicants for consideration for membership in the Section:

For Active Membership

David Gruber, MD; Spokane  
Jeffrey Campbell, MD; Charleston  
Howard Weiner, MD; New York  
Nathan Selden, MD; Portland  
Mark Mittler, MD; New Hyde Park  
George Burson, MD; Little Rock

For Associate Membership

Michael Nido, PA; Charlotte

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept all candidates for membership to their respective categories.

**Annual Meeting Report:** Dr Rekate reported that the winter meeting will be held at the High Gainey Ranch in Scottsdale with the opening cocktail reception being held on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and the scientific session running from Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> through Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

Dr Luerssen next presented a proposal to establish the office of President –Elect. His rationale was that the Section was increasingly being asked to provide representation to meetings of various societies and organizations throughout the year. These meetings frequently conflicted with obligations held by the President. The establishment of the office of President-Elect would greatly alleviate this problem. A proposed change in the By-Laws will be circulated to the membership within the next few months and a special business meeting will be held at the CNS Annual Meeting in Philadelphia this fall to allow membership to vote on the By-Laws change. This will allow the Nominating Committee to present a nominee for this new office at our winter meeting in Scottsdale.

Dr. Wisoff then questioned whether membership would accept either a web-based or e-mail version of **Shortcuts** in-lue of the currently mailed paper version. He made the point that this would result in a significant savings in publishing and mailing expense. After some discussion it was decided that Dr. Wisoff would investigate the costs for the current publication.

Dr. Flannery then announced that she was forming a team of speakers with prepared topics which would be available for presentation at various meetings throughout the year. She asked for both volunteers for this speakers' bureau and for topics of interest from the membership.

**Adjournment**

No further business was brought from the floor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Abbott, M.D.  
Secretary