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From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

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Minutes of the 2004 ANS Annual Fall Business Meeting—New York, NY.

The President of the American Neurotology Society, Dr. Robert K. Jackler, called the 2004 Annual Fall Business Meeting together at 12:30 p.m. Dr. Jackler reported the following actions were taken at the American Neurotology Society's Executive Council Meeting, September 18, 2004.

The Executive Council approved a Trainee Member category for the ANS. The electoral process would be as follows:

- 1) Letter from the Chairman validating appropriate trainee status, letter from fellowship chairman.
 - a.) Trainee Category includes -Otolaryngology-HNS Residents, Neurotology Fellows, Post Doctorate Researchers
- 2) Administrative review by the Secretary-Treasurer's office and approved by the Secretary-Treasurer.
- 3) Certification of Trainee status and the duration of the program trainee membership will co-terminate with the residency program. Termination of the Trainee member would be listed on the membership list at which time they would be notified via letter to apply for Associate membership and if the trainee does not apply for Associate membership, his/her name would be removed from the ANS membership.

Dr. Jackler reported a number of ANS Standing Committees and Subcommittees committees are low

activity and inactive. The Executive Council has discontinued committees that have shown no activity.

The following committees will be retained: Audit Committee, Constitution & Bylaws Committee, Continuing Education Committee, Socio-Economic Committee, Fellowship Committee, Long Range Planning Committee, Membership and Credentials, Research Committee, and Scientific Program Committee.

Ad Hoc Committees to be retained include the following: Liaison to AJO, Inc., Liaison to the AAO-HNSF Board of Governors, Liaison to the AAO-HNSF CORE, Liaison to the AAO-HNSF COIN, Liaison to the American Board of Otolaryngology, Online National Resident Curriculum Committee.

The ANS Executive Council would welcome suggestions for Ad Hoc committees. The Executive Council would certainly welcome anyone with an enthusiasm to take on a scholarly or socioeconomic issue on behalf of the society.

The Executive Council discussed a policy for the use of the ANS e-mail list. The e-mail list will be strictly non-commercial and will be rigorously upholding the principles of privacy. If you receive e-mails broadcast from the society, the names of the recipients will be redacted so that no one can grab the e-mail list. The Council looked at several categories for sending out broadcast e-mails; one, of course, being educational program information, another being research funding opportunities, and, finally, legislative initiatives in which your voice might count, where the Executive Council

would encourage you to contact your congressman or the likes.

The Executive Council discussed the possibility of future combined meetings with the American Otological Society, and different proposals for how the two societies might come together in a conjoint format. The two societies are looking at the year 2008. The proposal which carried the day as to what the ANS Executive Council will bring forward to the AOS Council is one of translational research where researchers who are interested in human disease as it relates to the ear will come together with ear surgeons and physicians to talk about common issues and help to direct the research effort.

The Executive Council is working on a new ANS logo. The current ANS logo looks like it came from the 1970s and the council is looking at various themes around the inner ear. Dr. Jackler encouraged members who are artistically inclined to make suggestions for this new logo. The plan is to have a few designs available for review at the Annual Spring Business Meeting.

Dr. Jackler encouraged the members to apply for the various awards that the society offers. The Torok Award, Trainee Award, and Silverstein Award. The ANS has received some applications but fewer than expected. Dr. Jackler announced October 15 is the deadline to submit an abstract for the spring meeting.

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Dr. Jackler reported the O&N journal has now gone exclusively to an online peer review system. This is a great improvement over what the journal had in the past. It is much faster, more efficient, and allows members to go online and submit everything in a paperless mode and leads to a much shorter review cycle than in the past.

Dr. Jackler thanked Shirley Gossard for staffing the Administrative Office of the ANS.

Dr. Jackler introduced Dr. Karen Doyle, ANS Secretary-Treasurer, who presented the Secretary-Treasurer's report as follows:

Dr. Doyle reported the ANS membership totals 516 individuals. Dr. Doyle encouraged the associate members who have been in practice for five years or more to consider updating their membership status to Fellow. Membership applications are available from the ANS website and also from the Administrative Office.

Treasurer's report as follows:

 Balance on Hand 1/1/2004
 52366.30

 Total Income
 182334.43

 Total Disbursements
 119715.04

 Balance on Hand 8/31/04
 114985.69

ANS Investment Accounts Mellon Bank 157,819 Vanguard 57,225

Dr. Doyle reported the next meeting of the ANS would be the Annual Spring Meeting in conjunction with COSM, May 14-15, 2005, at the Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton, Florida. This will be a Saturday/Sunday format for ANS and AOS, as has been in the past. This will be the last time the ANS/AOS/COSM will have a meeting at the Boca Raton Resort.

Dr. Doyle announced plans are being made for a clinical research conference in October 2005. This conference has been held the last two years and its purpose is to teach physicians and researchers how to write a good NIH grant. Dr. Doyle encouraged anyone thinking of applying for an NIH grant or having one of their trainees's apply to start thinking about enrolling their trainee in this meeting next

October.

Being no further business, Dr. Jackler adjourned the business meeting at 12:50 p. m. At 1 p.m. Dr. Jackler opened the 39th Annual Fall Scientific Meeting of the American Neurotology Society, "Emerging Technologies: A Glimpse into the Future of Neurotology.

2004-2006 SILVERSTEIN AWARD

Dr. Alan Micco, Northwestern University, was the recipient of the two-year Silverstein Award (7/04-6/06 - \$24,959 total) This Otology/Neurotology Research Award between the AAO-HNS/ANS is funded by Dr. Herbert Silverstein. Dr. Silverstein contributes \$10,000/year to the ANS for the Silverstein Award.

Previous Recipients of the Silverstein Award include the following:

2000— Johns Hopkins University PI - David R. Friedland, MD (2 Year Award 7/00-7/02 - \$29,517 total)

2002—University of Tennessee PI - Rose Mary Stocks, PharmD, MD (2 Year Award 7/02-6/04 - \$30,000 total)

2003—University of Washington PI - Clifford R. Hume, MD, PhD (2 Year Award 7/03-6/05 - \$30,000 total)

Upcoming Meetings

COSM -40th ANS Annual Meeting May 14-15, 2005 Boca Raton Resort & Club Boca Raton, FL

ANS Fall Meeting September 24, 2005 Los Angeles, CA

AAO-HNS Annual Meeting September 25-28, 2005 Los Angeles, CA

THE AMERICAN NEUROTOLOGY SOCIETY 2004-2005 COMMITTEES (as of 10/1/2004)

Term limit is 5 years; 2 years for consultants. The Chairperson must be a fellow. Annually, the President addresses all members: affirms continuing appointments within the term limits, removes members with thanks for service, and adds new members.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

William H. Slattery, MD (Chairman) (7/99-7/05) Timothy B. Molony, MD (7/99-7/05) Peter Weber, MD (5/01-5/06)

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Jeffrey T. Vrabec, MD (Chairman) (9/03-9/08) Sujana Chandrasekhar, MD (5/01-5/06) John T. McElveen, MD (7/04-7/09)

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LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

(Current Officers and last three presidents & CME chair ex officio member)

2005 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Robert K. Jackler, MD (Chair – current president) J Douglas Green, MD Nikolas H. Blevins, MD Lawrence R. Lustig, MD Samuel H. Selesnick, MD

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

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SOCIO-ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

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Ad Hoc Committees

Liaison to AJO, Inc. (D. Bradley Welling, MD, PhD)
Liaison to the AAO-HNSF Board of Governors (Current
ANS Secretary-Treasurer)
Liaison to the AAO-HNSF CORE (Current ANS

Secretary-Treasurer)

Liaison to the AAO-HNSF COIN (Current ANS Secretary-Treasurer)

Liaison to the American Board of Otolaryngology (Bruce Gantz, \overline{MD})

Online National Resident Curriculum Committee, ANS Representative (Patrick Antonelli, MD)

The ANS Executive Council values your willingness to serve and if there is something you would like to do, please let the ANS Executive Council know.

The ANS Executive Council will be appointing Ad Hoc Committees for future needs