



Nordic Spinal Deformities Society

NSDS General Assembly business meeting 2018 Kolding, Denmark, Saturday August 25

Participants: Paul Gerdhem, René Castelein, Peter Helmig, Christian Høy, Mikkel Andersen, Kariman Abeline-Genevois

Minutes

1. NSDS president Paul Gerdhem opened the general Assembly.
2. The minutes 2017, Stockholm, Sweden was approved.
3. Paul Gerdhem was elected to be the chairman of the NSDS general assembly business meeting.
4. Unfortunately, Karen Weigert, current secretary of the General Assembly, is not able to attend the meeting and general assembly business meeting. Mikkel Ø. Andersen is asked to make notes during this 2018 general assembly.
5. The participants of the meeting agreed, that the general assembly was properly announced.
6. The presidential report was presented by Paul Gerdhem.
There have been considerations of joining other scoliosis societies. But NSDS have decided not to. At the NSDS there is an open atmosphere and that we want to retain. At the same time, we wish to be open to other societies, but not as a yearly thing. Rene Castelein will approach the British spine society with the aim of a joint meeting in Holland by 2020.
7. Country representative's report
Denmark:
It is difficult to recruit spine surgeons. That is not a new problem.

Netherlands:
The hip and knee sector is very commercial. This is not the case for spine surgery.
The Dutch must say no to exciting fellowships, as there is no money for it.

France:
The French spine surgeons do not have their own society for scoliosis. They can attend the NSDS meetings. Kariman can suggest potential key speakers and NSDS participants from France.
8. Ane Simony was elected as the new secretary of NSDS.

9. New members:

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10. Report from this year's meeting

It has been a good planning process. However, it has been a great challenge to take into account the many rules that the sponsors are subject to. Karen will send her experiences to Maria Rieber-Mohn and Thomas Natvik.

There has been record high participation with 174 participants in total. The parallel session was also a success and had almost 50 participants.

11. NSDS 2019 will be in Bergen, Norway. Peter Helmig will make sure, that Maria Rieber-Mohn and Thomas Natvik will get an updated list of relevant email addresses for participators.

12. NSDS 2020, 2021

Future conferences will be held in:

2019 Bergen, Norway

At NSDS 2019 the general assembly must be placed in the middle of the programme to get more people to attend the meeting.

2020 Holland – combined meeting with Britain. Paul Gerdhem og René Castelein will discuss this together.

2021 Finland → Mikkel will write Illka and make sure he knows. Then he can find out who is going to be host.

2022 Sweden

2023 Denmark