

Northern New England Neurological Society
Annual Business Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2022
The Essex Resort and Spa, Essex, VT

Attendance: Alissa Thomas, Barbara Nye, Nancy Solis, Lindsay Nectus, Christine Akintola, Katherine Martin.

Bylaws

Section II – Election of the President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual meeting. Nominations will occur on even years, and new officers will take office on odd-numbered years for terms of two (2) years and shall serve until their successors have been duly elected and installed. The President-Elect shall serve for two (2) years as President-Elect, then two (2) years as President of the Society, and shall remain on the Executive Board for two (2) further years as Past President.

Neither the President nor President-Elect shall be eligible for immediate re-election to the same office on the Board following the expiration of their term of duty. The Secretary and treasurer may be elected for successive two (2) year terms without limit and can be filled by the same person. The treasurer position shall be shared between the Chair of Neurology and Neurological Sciences at Dartmouth and the University of Vermont, respectively. Nominations for officers may be submitted by any active member at the Annual meeting. Officers shall be elected by a simple plurality vote of those Active Members present.

Nominations of Officers

The Board reviewed the plan for Officers for 2023-2024. The President is expected to be involved in planning the 2023-2024 annual meetings and working with the Board to maintain the Society's operations, as outlined in the Bylaws.

The president position has historically been passed from Dartmouth to UVM; UVM is up for a president-elect.

Below are the names of the individuals nominated:

- Dr. Adam Sprouse-Blum
- Dr. Michael Hehir

Neither was present to accept the nomination; therefore, we will reach out to them to confirm their interest and then proceed with the active members' vote.

How to Improve Attendance

Discussed some ways to increase attendance and be more active in the Society. Below are some suggestions:

- Have more Sr. faculty present
- Need more attendance and speakers from Maine
- Include more non-neurologist presenters
- Include some well-known speakers

- Easier sign-up process; provide a user-friendly link that is less cumbersome
- Additional poster sessions
- Better locations
- Honorariums for all residents
- Bring back the dinner Saturday evening

President: Barbara Nye

Secretary: Nancy Solis

Treasurers: Barbara Jobst and Gregory Holmes

Past President: Alissa Thomas

President-Elect to be selected at the 2023 meeting

Meeting adjourned.