

## **Minutes of the Northern New England Neurological Society**

Friday, October 25, 2002

Holiday Inn By-the-Bay

Portland, Maine

Vijay Thadani, President of the Northern New England Neurological Society called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. He welcomed guests and members, and reviewed the minutes of the spring meeting with the membership. The minutes were accepted as read.

### New Business:

1. Rup Tandan will be the next President of the Northern New England Neurological Society. He will begin his 2-year term of office at the spring meeting of the society.

### Next Meeting:

Dr. Hamill suggested planning the society's spring meeting in conjunction with the Headache Consortium meeting that is usually held in March. Dr. Thadani felt this would not be feasible. Anne Woods suggested Stoweflake and combining it with an epilepsy symposium. The date for the spring meeting of the Northern New England Neurological Society is Friday, March 21, 2003.

### Bylaws:

Dr. Hamill is working with a lawyer in Burlington to establish the Northern New England Neurological Society as a separate entity with tax exempt status. He brought copies of the bylaws to distribute to those in attendance at today's meeting. The bylaws will also be posted on the NNENS website for all to review.

Pertinent changes on the document are:

1. The name of the society has been officially changed to the "Northern New England Neurological Society".
2. One statement was added to the purpose.
3. In Section II: Issues that attorney raised was formalizing officers. Change the three person "Board of Trustees" to "Counselor". Also one should serve as secretary, and one as president.
4. Staggered terms of three years, two years, and one year should be considered.

Dr. Hamill reported that we need representation from Maine on an officer level.

Plan: Please review bylaws for final acceptance. They will be posted on the NNENS website ([www.nnens.org](http://www.nnens.org))

### Treasurer's Report:

Revenues from corporate supporters have been very generous. Outgoing monies have gone for honoraria for speakers and legal expenses related to bylaw revisions. Estimated

legal fees to complete incorporation is about \$2000. Dr. Thadani moved to proceed with incorporation process. Motion seconded and passed.

The business adjourned at 9:30 am. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to brief presentations on various neurological topics, luncheon, and a keynote address by Dr. William Gaillard from the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Gaillard spoke on "Advances in Neuroimaging in the Diagnosis of Neurological Disease".

Respectfully submitted,

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