Meeting for Nordic Residents in Urology

Time: 12th of May 2014

Place: Skype meeting

Participants: Ylva Huge, Henriette Veiby Holm, Hjalmar Svensson, Mikkel Fode

1. Selection of meeting leader and responsible person for minutes

- Mikkel selected for both jobs as usual.

2. Formal approval of the minutes from the previous meeting in Tampere

- Minutes approved without comments.

3. Status of the next joint Nordic course for residents - Specific focus on finances, sponsors and location

- The estimated cost is 1700 2100 SKr without dinner and group rooms. The expected price all together will be around SKr. 3000. Ylva will contact the Gothia towers for an exact quote.
- Medac may offer to administer the bookings for the conference. Ylva suggests that Medac will pay a lower sponsor fee in exchange for this. NRU will suggest this to the whole sponsor group. For now, however, we await the final decision from Medac.
- Hjalmar has sent mails to the relevant sponsors. However Allergan and Ferring have not answered. Hjalmar will resend the email and CC Mikkel and Henriette.
- Hjalmar and Ylva will set up a meeting with the sponsors. They will attempt to set up the meeting before the summer vacation. If this is not possible we will attempt to schedule the meeting as early in September as possible.
- Ylva asks about the rules for sponsorship from the companies. There will be new rules in Sweden which are not expected to influence the course. The discussion will need to be raised at the meeting with the sponsors since they know the rules better than us and since they may have individual interpretations of the rules.

- Still no conclusion regarding who will be financially responsible for the meeting. We will take this issue up at the sponsorship meeting. Hopefully the sponsors can share the expenses directly.
- We need to ask NUF if the association can be financially responsible if costs cannot be directly shared between sponsors. We also need to ask for a guarantee if the course loses any money. Mikkel will write an email to the board with these requests.
- Regarding the program, there is a remaining question about who will do the priapism talk.
 Henriette will ask Alexander Schultz (Oslo). Everyone is responsible for asking speakers from their own countries. It is important to ask them to stay both days to do both talks and cases.

4. Status of the Residents' meeting at the NUF conference in Malmø, 2014 - Update after discussions with the local organizing committee

- Saeed Dabestani and Anne Sorenby from the local organizing committee in Malmø have looked at our draft proposal and they agree with this. Saeed and Anne suggest that Fredrik Liedberg and Sigurdur Gudjonsson give the lectures and that Wiking Månsson is responsible for the "Soloway Style" cases. Per-Anders Abrahamsson will lead the panel discussion and finally Sigurdur Gudjonsson and Magnus Annerstedt will give a commentary on the cystectomy videos. Everyone in the NRU group agrees that these are good suggestions. This means that our program is set for the residents' day. Mikkel will keep in contact with the local Malmø group.

6. Miscellaneous

- No one has comments

7. Next meeting

- It is agreed that the NRU group will have a new Skype meeting following the sponsor meeting for our 2015 course. The time for this will follow.