Scandinavian Association of Urology

Protocol from SAU General assembly in Tampere 26. August 2011

AGENDA:

- 1. Protocol from General Assembly held in Reykjavik at NUF 2009 (available on www.scaur.org).
- 2. Report from the Board by the President
- 3. Report from the Treasurer
- 4. Report from Chief Editor of Scandinavian Journal of Urology and Nephrology. (available on <u>www.scaur.org</u>).
- 5. Report from the editors of the Bulletin
- 6. Report from the editor of www.scaur.org
- 7. Reports from the Collaboration groups (a,b,c,d and f available on <u>www.scaur.org</u>)
 - a. Urothelialcancer
 - b. Prostate cancer, SPCG
 - c. Stonegroup
 - d. Reconstructive urology
 - e. Laparoscopic urology
 - f. LUT function
 - g. Postgraduate Education
 - h. Ablative treatment group
 - Relation to other organisations
- 9. Election.

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- 10. Congress report by the President of NUF 2011, TeuvoTammela
- 11. Next Congress Sandefjord 2013
- 12. Other subjects

The General Assembly was headed by the President of NUF, who started out by thanking the arranging committee in Tampere for an outstanding meeting.

- 1. The protocol from the General assembly atNUF 2009 in Reykjavik was approved.
- 2. The President informed about the work of the board. The board has continued to focus on the support of the collaboration groups, which they regard as the main stem of the NUF function, together with the biannual congresses. The board has met twice annually to discuss how to support the collaboration. The board has also had a meeting with the arranging committee for NUF 2011. The GS is a born member of the arranging committee, and has participated in meetings with the committee, conveying experiences from earlier congresses. The President also commented on the function of the different collaboration groups, the conclusions are referred under No 7.

The President appealed to the members of NUF to use the Bulletin and the Homepage www.scaur.org, and to publish articles in the Journal. NUF is what the Nordic Urologists make it into.

The GA supported the priorities described by the President.

3. The economy of NUF is healthy, with some 1.1 millSEK on the accounts. The congress in Reykjavik gave a very good profit thanks to the excellent job done by the arranging committee in Iceland. Some of the National societies are a bit slow sending the fees, but by the time of the GA all had paid!!

The board suggest the same membership fee of SEK 100 for the coming 2 years. The accountants have audited and approved the accounts.

The GA approved of both accounting and the suggested membership fee

4. Editor in Chief, Jan Adolfsson, was not present, but his successor, Per Uno Malmstrøm appealed

to all present to advocate the use of Scand J to publish good scientific articles. He suggested a moral obligation for the collaboration groups to produce articles, also good review articles.

The Danish Urological Association was asked to reconsider their decision not to subscribe the Journal for their members.

- 5. The Bulletin has got new editors: Norwegian urologists Sven Løffeler and Carol Axcrona. The economy is secured by long term advertisers for the period of the Norwegian editorship. Sven Løffeler appealed to all members of NUF to contribute to the Bulletin!
- 6. The Updates of the homepage, <u>www.scaur.org</u>was presented by the editor, JørgenBjerggaard. It contains a well of information and links. Try it out!!

7. a. Urothelial cancer:

The leader Per Uno Malmstrøm: Planning course on bladder cancer: cystectomy and diversion/orthotopic bladder together with the Reconstructive urology group in November. Regular meetings. The group has now got members from all Nordic countries. Written report on www.scaur.org

b. SPCG.

The leader TeuvoTammela: The group is very active with multicentre studies. Written report on www.scaur.org

c. Stone group

Leader Kim HovgaardAndreassen: The group is active with courses and is planning to start studies. Written report on

www.scaur.org

d. Reconstructive urology:

Memberof group Alexander Schultz: The group arranged a course on Complications in urological surgery at this Congress. Active with studies and courses (see urothelial cancer). Written report on www.scaur.org

e. Laparoscopy group:

Leader: Peter Elfving: The activity in the group has come to a complete stand still during the last 2 years. Mainly because the activity, in respect of studies, more naturally belongs within the groups taking care of the different organs/diseases. Peter suggested that the group should be dissolved. GA approved.

f. LUT function:

Leader: Elisabeth Farrelly. The group arranged a course on LUTD at this Congress. The group is very active, and will arrange another Nordic Course this year. Written report on <u>www.scaur.org</u> g. Postgraduate Education group.

Leader TrulsGårdemark: Difficult to find appropriate time for meetings with the leaders of the educational committees of the different countries. So far meetings have been informative, but not resulted in any practical action. Claus Dahl and Sven Løffeler have suggested, that instead of the actual members, NUF should invite 2 representatives from each of the young urologist organisations to a brain storming meeting, to discuss ideas to improve Nordic collaboration. GA approved of this, and asked the two to take the initiative. If they need support, the board will be ready to help.

h.Ablative treatment group.

No representative of the group was present. The group has had no activity reported to the Board throughout the 2 years since it was established in Reykjavik. The board recommended that the group is closed down, GA approved.

- 8. No new approach from EAU. SIU has asked to have a flyer in the congress bag in Tampere, to announce the upcoming 2012 meeting. In return NUF is welcome to get a flyer for the 2013 meeting in the bags of all delegates at SIU 2013.
- 9 LisbethNerstrømSalling from Denmark was elected new General Secretary. Christian Beisland was elected as Accountant. Steen Walter, SteinarKarlsen andMattiNuurmiwill step down as members of the electoral committee, new members should be appointed by the National societies..

The President thanked Steen Walter, and Alexander Schultz(who stepped down as general secretary) for theirlonglasting interest and work for NUF.

10. NUF 2011 was running smoothly, according to the program. There were 505 registered

participants. There were 68 accepted papers, all presented either as 13 minutes oral presentations, or as posters with a 8 minutes oral presentation and discussion.

The economy of the meeting seemed so far to be good. 11The planning ofNUF 2013is in good progress. It will be held 21-24. August 2013in Sandefjord, Norway. Sven Løffeler showed a charming presentation of the venue. 12. No remarks

The President thanked the participants for a good meeting!

Oslo 30. September 2011 Alexander Schultz Generalsecretary (up to end of GA 2011)