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Minutes of General Assembly of the European Society for Muscle Research held 3rd September 2012 at the XXXXI European Muscle Conference, on Rhodes, Greece.

§1 The chairman of the European Society for Muscle Research (ESMR), Professor Anders Arner, welcomed the assembly to the meeting and explained the nature of the ESMR and its relationship to the European Muscle Conferences.

Prof Arner also expressed sincere thanks from the ESMR and meeting delegates to the organizers of the 2012 meeting on Rhodes, Drs Christina Karazaferi and Giorgos Sakkas.

§2 Prof Arner proposed Prof Ingo Morano, Max-Delbrück-Center, Berlin to be appointed to take the Minutes of the General Assembly

This was agreed by the Assembly.

§3 The current members of the Board of the Society were presented.

Anders Arner, *Chairman*, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden (elected 2009)

Bernhard Brenner, Medizinische Hochschule, Hannover Germany (2009)

Laurence Stevens, Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille, France (2009)

Steven Marston, *Secretary*, Imperial College School of Medicine, London, UK, (2009)

Carlo Reggiani, Università di Padova, Italy (2009)

Marcus C. Schaub, University of Zurich, Switzerland (2009)

Ger Stienen, *Treasurer*, VUmc, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Wolfgang Linke, Bochum, Germany (2009)

Elisabeth Ehler, King's College London, UK (2010)

Drs Anders Arner and Ger Stienen can independently sign for the Society in economical matters.

This was supported by the Assembly.

No new or re-elections were made.

§4 The minutes of the previous meeting in Berlin 2011 have been available at the Society homepage. No further comments were made and the minutes were **approved**.

§5. The economical statement of 2011/12 was presented. The Society funds by Sept 2012 were about 24 918 EUR on the Society bank account currently in Holland and a

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prepayment (4 500 EUR) for the 2012 meeting. These funds are built up from membership fees. Previous year the Society supported young scientists to attend the Berlin EMC meeting 2011. The auditor (Prof Alf Månsson, Kalmar, Sweden elected 2011) had reviewed the economical statement and had no objections.

This Assembly **granted discharge of liability** for the board.

Prof Arner reported that the Society now is registered as a charitable organization ("ideell förening") in Sweden (organizational number 802467-4528). A bank account for the Society funds will be opened in Sweden and Anders Arner will to handle these matters with the bank and sign for the Society. Anders Arner will together with Prof Stienen organize transfer of funds from the bank in Holland to the Swedish bank account.

This was **agreed** by the Assembly.

b) The **annual membership fee was decided to be 10 EUR/year**, paid by meeting delegates.

§6. Prof Gabriel Mutungi (Univ East Anglia, UK) and Prof Jolanta Redowicz (Warsaw, Poland) were elected auditor and deputy auditor for 2012/13.

§7. Prof Arner presented the interaction between ESMR and Journal of Muscle Research and Cell Motility and Prof Mathias Gautel presented the activities of the JMRCM.

The interaction between ESMR and European networks was presented. This year MyoAge and MUZIC networks contributed significantly to the meeting. The ESMR board finds this an excellent opportunity for promoting both European networks and our Society.

§8. No other issues were raised.

§9. (On Sept 4th) The plans for the annual meeting in Amsterdam 2013 were presented by Prof Richard Jaspers (representing the organizational committee also including Prof Jolanda van der Velden). The assembly decided to ask Prof. Stefan Galler to organize the 2014 meeting in Salzburg/Austria. Suggestions for 2015 (Warsaw/ Prof Jolanta Redowicz) and 2016 (Germany/ Prof Wolfgang Linke) were presented.

The Assembly was closed.
Prof Ingo Morano

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