



## Neuroanaesthesia Special Interest Group

### Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Neuroanaesthesia SIG

held during the Neuroanaesthesia SIG Meeting at the Sheraton Mirage, Port Douglas in the Ballroom on  
Saturday 10 July 2010 at 10:30am

#### MINUTES

The Chair welcomed SIG members to the meeting.

#### 1. Confirmation of minutes of the previous AGM

Dr Tony Gin confirmed the previous minutes and Dr Tim Short seconded them.

#### 2. Attendance and Apologies

Apologies were received from: Dr Hamish Gray, Dr Mark Donnelle

#### 3. SIG Status

##### 3.1 Executive

The Executive currently comprises of:

Dr Doug Campbell	NZ (Chair)
Dr Dean Cowie	VIC
Prof Tony Gin	Hong Kong
Dr Nigel Robertson	NZ
Dr Elizabeth Tham	SA

##### 3.1.2 Election of Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australian representatives on the Executive

Dr Nanette Crimmins offered to become a co-opted member after Dr Campbell noted there were no representatives on the Executive from Queensland.

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Dr Campbell agreed to send an email to the SIG members to ascertain if there is any interest from other States to have a representative on the Executive.

### **3.2 Membership**

Currently stands at 441 members

### **3.3 Financial Report**

Dr Campbell advised the Neuroanaesthesia SIG had no income as of the end of 2009. It was noted that expenses incurred totalled \$1717.82.

## **4. Future Meetings**

### **4.1 2010 ASA NSC, Melbourne**

Dr Campbell reported that the Neuroanaesthesia SIG will not be holding a formal meeting at the Australian Society of Anaesthetists, 69<sup>th</sup> National Scientific Congress (ASA NSC) due to holding the current meeting in July.

### **4.2 2011 ANZCA ASM, Hong Kong**

Dr Campbell noted that a session will be held at the 2011 Combined Scientific Meeting taking place in Hong Kong.

### **4.3 Venue and date for next biennial/ triennial NeuroSIG meeting**

It was tabled that the next SIG meeting take place in 2012, in New Zealand.

Dr Campbell advised that an attempt had been made to make this meeting a combined neurosurgery/ neuroanaesthesia meeting. It was agreed that discussion was needed and if supported, a longer time line is required for meeting organisation and inter-college negotiation

## **5. Proposal for SIG name change**

A discussion took place around the proposal of changing the name of the Neuroanaesthesia SIG to 'Neuroanaesthesia and Neuroscience SIG'. The reasoning behind the potential name change was to reflect the wider interest of the SIG and areas of interest that are not well covered in other SIGs. Examples of areas of interest that were tabled as being of interest in a wider neuroscience SIG include neurotoxicity, POCD, awareness, mechanisms of anaesthesia, computational neuroscience and many other neuroscience topics.

It was tabled whether the name change was needed, if so, what was a suitable name.

The question was raised on whether the purpose of the name change was to increase membership or attendance at the SIG meetings. If so, a programme published in advance would help both attendance and membership, thus there being no necessity for a change at all.

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The executive committee agreed that the name would stay the same for the mean time, or until there was a consensus on the purpose and outcome of a name change.

**6. Other business**

Dr Campbell was thanked by the executive committee on the hard work and effort that he put into the meeting, and of being Chair of the Neuroanaesthesia SIG.

**7. Date of the next meeting**

Dr Campbell advised that the 2011 AGM will be held at the 2011 CSM in Hong Kong between the 14 – 17 May 2011.

Dr Doug Campbell

**Chair**

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