



# *Dansk Selskab for Neurovidenskab*

## **Bylaws**

The Bylaws enacted on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1984

### § 1.

The Society's name is The Danish Society for Neuroscience ("Dansk Selskab for Neurovidenskab") (DSfN)

### § 2.

The aim of the Society is to promote basic research within the neurosciences. This objective is pursued through the organisation of meetings, Symposia and educational activities.

### § 3.

Researchers that have been sponsored by at least two full members of the Society can be proposed for membership, to which they shall be admitted subject to the approval of the Board. Renouncement of membership must be made in writing to the Board.

### § 4.

The Society's supreme authority is the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which is customarily held in connection with a scientific meeting. Written notice of the AGM is sent to the membership at least five weeks in advance. The notice includes calls for proposals for the agenda and for candidates for vacancies on the Board, committees and the auditors.

Stk. 2. The agenda for the AGM is sent at least two weeks beforehand to every member of the Society. This includes details of matters to be decided at the meeting and the names of the candidates that have been proposed for vacant positions on the Board and the auditors.

Stk. 3. The agenda shall contain the following items in order of presentation:

Election of chairperson to lead the meeting

Report of the Society's chairperson

Reports of committees and the Society's representatives in collegiate and official bodies

Approval of the annual account and budget for the following year, and setting the subscription fees.

Dealing with other matters that must be decided

Election to the Board and auditor(s).

Any other business

Stk. 4. Voting on resolutions is by raising of hands, and is carried by simple majority. Proposal to hold a secret (written) ballot is also decided by simple majority. Voting by proxy is not allowed. Decisions are immediately effective.

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Stk. 5. Decisions cannot be made regarding matters or candidates that have not been included in the agenda. Proposals regarding the order of business, e.g. regarding secret ballot, or shortening/terminating the debate, can be made immediately.

Stk. 6. When convening the AGM, the Board shall encourage members to consider both geographical and academic representation when proposing and voting for candidates to vacant Board positions.

Stk. 7. The AGM can decide to reduce the subscription fees for special categories of membership.

## § 5.

The Board is comprised of eight members that manage the Society's affairs, represent it to the outside world and look after its interests.

Stk. 2. The Board constitutes itself at the first meeting and appoints the chairperson, secretary and treasurer.

Stk. 3. Members of the Board are elected for two years. Re-election is always possible. Four members of the Board are elected every year.

Stk. 4. The Board appoints the Society's representatives for collegiate and official bodies, both at home and abroad, and ensures that information concerning the Society's functions and decisions are conveyed to these organs.

Stk. 5. The secretary records the minutes of the Board meeting. The Board's decisions are arrived at by simple majority. A quorum is constituted when at least five members of Board, including the chairperson, are present. Furthermore, a quorum is constituted whenever a Board meeting has been convened by written notice at least one week beforehand, irrespective of the number of members attending, apart from the chairperson. In case of voting parity, the chairperson's vote is decisive.

## § 6.

The Society's fiscal year follows the calendar year. Before the AGM, the accounts must be audited by two auditors. These are elected at the AGM such that one auditor is elected each year. Auditors can be re-elected.

## § 7.

Amendment of the Society's rules, including termination of the Society, can only be decided at an AGM or an extraordinary general meeting, where 2/3 of the ordinary members are present, and only then when there is a 2/3 majority of those in attendance.

Stk. 2. The extraordinary general meeting has the following agenda:

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Election of chairperson for the meeting

Treatment of the matter(s) to be decided and the reason for calling an extraordinary general meeting.

Any other business

Stk. 3. The rules of procedure are according to paragraph 4, subparagraphs 4 and 5. Proposals that are rejected at an extraordinary general meeting cannot be taken up again before the next AGM.

The bylaws has been approved by The Danish Society for Neuroscience at the statutory general meeting May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1984, at the Henrik Dam Lecture Hall, Panum Institute, blegdamsvej 3, 2200 Copenhagen N.

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