Minutes of the Executive Council of the

Federation of Indian Physiological Societies

Held on 11th Jan. 2013 (1000 hrs.) at

Defence Institute of Physiology & Allied Sciences, Lucknow Road, Timarpur, Delhi-110054.

The meeting was chaired by Dr.W.Selvamurthy, President of FIPS and the following Executive Council members and Special Invitees attended the meeting:

- 1.Dr. V .Mohan Kumar
- 2.Dr. Amar K. Chandra
- 3. Dr. H.N. Mallick
- 4. Dr. Satya Velu Reddy
- 5. Dr. Prakash
- 6.Dr.G.llavazhagan
- 7. Dr. K. Yellamma
- 8. Dr.Shashi Bala Singh
- 9. Dr. G.K. Pal
- 10. Dr. W. Rajendra
- 11. Dr. A.K. Dang

The President welcomed all the members of the Executive Committee and the Special Invitees. He briefed the gathering about the formation of the Federation of Indian Physiological Societies and the role envisaged for the same in bringing all the physiologists in the country under one umbrella for the welfare of scientific disciplines in the country and physiology in particular. He also briefly mentioned about the past activities of the Federation and the role played by Prof. SK Manchanda. He also mentioned that the Federation had not been active for some time due to various reasons and hoped that the Federation will be very active henceforth.

The General Secretary, Dr. G. Ilavazhagan apologized for the state of suspended animation the Federation was in for the last few years and briefed about the previous meeting of the Executive Meeting held during Aug.2011 which constituted the Nomination Committee under Prof. V. Mohan Kumar, with representatives from all the Constituent Societies. On behalf of the Finance Secretary, the Audited Statement of Accounts was presented by the General Secretary. Audited Statement of Accounts was approved.

Prof. V.Mohan Kumar, Chairman of the Nomination Committee thanked the EC for having giving him the responsibility. He also thanked Prof. (Mrs.) K. Yellamma (ISCAP representative), Prof. (Mrs.) Juthika Koley (PSI representative), Prof. B. S. Prakash (SAPI representative) and Prof. H.N. Mallick (APPI representative) for their solid support and for rendering their valuable suggestions for finalizing the list of nominees for the office bearers. He presented the following recommendations of the Nomination Committee to the EC:

President; Dr. Shashsi Bala Singh, Director, DIPAS

First Vice President; Prof.GK Pal, Prof & Head, Dept. of Physiology, JIPMER

Second Vice President; Prof. Rajendra, Vice Chancellor, Sri.Venkateswara University, Tirupati

General Secretary; Prof. Amar K Chandra, Presidency College, Kolkata & Gen.Secretary, PSI

Finance Secretary: Prof.AK Dang, NDRI, Karnal

Prof. V.Mohan Kumar also informed the meeting that as per the Constitution of the Federation, Dr. W. Selvamurthy will continue to be a Member of the Executive Committee as Past President by virtue of being the outgoing President of the Federation.

The members unanimously accepted that the recommendations for placing before the General Body, which was scheduled to meet later on the same day. It was suggested that, in future, the post of President FIPS should go to members of different constituent societies, by rotation. The suggestion was welcomed by all.

The Chairman of the Nomination Committee also informed the meeting that as per the Constitution, there should a minimum of 7 members and there could be a maximum of 11 members in the Executive Committee. The meeting decided that there should be one representative from the four constituent societies as members to the Executive Committee. The following four members were nominated by the four Constituent Societies for approval of the General Assembly:

1.Dr.Usha Panjwani PSI

2.Dr.BS Prakash SAPI

3.Dr. Satyavelu Reddy, ISCAP

4.Dr.K.K. Deepak, APPI

The members from ISCAP felt that there could be more representations from the Constituent Societies in the EC. It was also suggested four more members (one each from each of the Constituent Societies) may be invited to EC as special invitees. After long discussion, it was agreed that the new EC and General Assembly should make a decision on the matter. All the members unanimously suggested that Dr.V.Mohan Kumar should continue as a Member of the EC and guide the Federation in its activities.

The EC then discussed about the arrears of membership to be paid by the Constituent Societies. It was agreed that all the four constituent societies shall immediately pay the membership fees to the FIPS for the Year 2012, which is Rs.5 per each registered member of the Society. Later the constituent societies should clear the arrears to the Federation as this is the only regular source of income for the Federation. Few members suggested that Rs. 5 is very nominal and this may be raised to Rs.10 for each member. After discussion it was unanimously decided that the present Fee of Rs.5 per member may be paid along with arrears, and the issue of increasing the adhering fee may be considered by the new EC and General Assembly.

The next point taken up for discussion was the membership fees to be paid by FIPS to FAOPS. It was pointed out FIPS has not paid adherence fee to the FAOPS for the period from 2007 onwards. It was suggested that the FIPS should try to negotiate with the FAOPS and pay a nominal amount to continue their adherence. It was unanimously agreed that FIPS can pay 50 \$ per year for the period from 2007 onwards (Total of 300 \$) as membership fees to FAOPS.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. G. Ilavazhagan

Secretary

President