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**Minutes of the 5th Annual Assembly of Delegates: 20 May 2010 in Lobbach**

Date 20 May 2010

Time 16:00 - 18:00

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Candidate Turkey

Excused Albania, Bosnia Herzegovina, France, Portugal, Romania, Ukraine

1. *Approval of the minutes of the fourth Assembly of Delegates ESCIF which took place on 14 May 2009*

The minutes of the fourth annual meeting of ESCIF dated 14 May 2009 in Vienna are approved by the delegates.

2. *Approval of the Annual Report 2009*

The Annual Report presented by the President, Daniel Joggi, is unanimously approved. The written report can be read online at [www.escif.org](http://www.escif.org).

3. *Presentation of the accounts 2009*

Jani Trdina presents the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss account. The profit for the year is Euro 19,789.47. Jani proposes that the balance be carried forward to the 2010 accounts. The accounts are unanimously approved and the profit will be carried forward to the 2010 accounts.

Question from a delegate from the Netherlands – Frans Penninx

The host country of the congress has to cover the costs for the official duration of the congress, to find sponsors and organizes the congress and the transports from an to the airport. The congress fee is retained by ESCIF. This is an unusual arrangement!

Answer of ESCIF President Daniel Joggi

In the beginning we received Euro 20,000 from the Swiss Paraplegics Foundation. To find sponsors was not really easy. As ESCIF is a young organisation it is absolutely necessary to get money to do basic work for ESCIF. Unfortunately we don't have sponsors to cover all our costs. Perhaps in the future when ESCIF will be more established we probably can find sponsors and we can change this.

4. *Presentation of the auditors' report*

The Report of the statutory auditors to the Assembly of Delegates on the 2009 financial statement is presented by Jani Trdina.

5. *Approval of the accounts and discharge of the Executive*

The Auditors recommend approval of the report. The Assembly approves it unanimously.

6. *Decision on membership fees*

The annual membership fees remains at €350.

Question from the Executive Committee - A few countries are in arrears with their membership fees. What is the opinion of the delegates? After discussion the delegates decide that the Executive Committee should prepare a proposal for a change in the statutes so that members will either be excluded or lose voting rights. The proposal will be sent to the Annual Assembly of Delegates 2011.

7. *Presentation and approval of the 2010 budget*

Jani Trdina presents the budget for 2010. The Assembly approves the budget.

8. *Election of the auditor*

The Executive committee recommend Price Waterhouse Coopers (PWC) as auditors. PWC is unanimously elected.

9. *Election of 3 members of the Executive Committee (President, Vice President and a board member)*

The following people were elected

President	Jane Horsewell, Denmark
Vice President	Winnifred de Moes, Netherlands
Board member	Gunilla Ahren, Sweden
Board member	Pietro Barbieri, Italy
Treasurer	Jani Trdina, Slovenia (who was not subject to reelection)

10. *Presentation and admission of new members*

After the presentation of the organisation, Turkey ([www.tofd.org.tr](http://www.tofd.org.tr)) is granted membership by the Assembly.

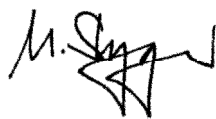
11. *Any other business*

- a. The assembly thanks Daniel Joggi and Pekka Häätinen for the job they have done during the last four years. They were given a gift and received warm applause from the delegates.
- b. Pekka Häätinen enjoyed the last four years and thanks Switzerland for their initial aid.
- c. Daniel Joggi has had a big pleasure and honour as president of ESCIF and he was happy to see increase ESCIF. He wishes the Executive Committee all the best for the future.

- d. Urs informed about the Project «Back on Track» from New Zealand (ISBN 0-476-00686-4/[www.nzspinaltrust.org.nz](http://www.nzspinaltrust.org.nz)).



Jane Horsewell  
President ESCIF



Urs Styger  
Secretary ESCIF