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# MINUTES FOR

# THE NACP COUNCIL MEETING 01-2019

# Thursday 14th of March 2019 10:00-15:30 CET in Copenhagen

#### Issue 2019-01/1 Minutes from Council meeting 2018-04

Minutes of Council meeting 2018-4 were approved

## Issue 2019-01/ 2 Introduction of participants

As the meeting was together with NMO and NACP2020 organising and scientific committee representatives a short introduction round was done.

Council: Marianne Leirdal Stokkan, Asger Greval Petersen, Anders Tingberg, Toni Ihalainen (new member from Finland), Mika Teräs (past member from Finland)

NMO/NACP2020: Kirsten Bolstad, Bente Konst, Heidi Roende.

## Issue 2019-01/ 3 NACP Symposium 2020 in Reykjavik

Kirsten Bolstad from the organising committee presented the status of the program schedule, social events, exhibition and budget.

Heidi Roende from DSMF presented the status of the work of scientific committee on keynote speakers and sessions.

The budget is made for 80 paying participants, but calculations for other numbers have been done. Accommodation is expensive, but might be negotiated.

All three social events Get-to-gether at Perlan (included), Blue lagoon and Gala dinner at Harpa (both two with a separate price).

As a result special attention to sponsors need to be done.

Although excellent work has been done so far some remarks/suggestions were made by the council after discussion.

Iceland is an expensive country so the price for participants tends to be high and this is a risk so the council recommends that the organising and scientific committees should work in close cooperation by f.ex. having monthly Skype meetings.

The NACP Scientific committee could be used to help in planning the program and invited speakers should be used also outside their lectures (as before) as chairpersons, panellists etc.

The program need to be discussed carefully in on the number of parallel sessions and when they are to be held. The number of oral presentations should be high enough from different disciplines to draw participants.

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As most participants at previous NACP Symposia has been from Radiation therapy the program need to be planned so that it is attractive to them as well.

#### Issue 2019-01/ 4 NACP Committee issues

#### a. NACP RPC

RPC organizes a CT optimization course in Bergen 3-5-April 2019. Surplus from the previous event organized in Bergen was returned to the organizers.

#### **b.** NACP NMPC

The activity of the NACP NMPC is very low – The council hopes that NMOs tries to activate their representatives.

The Council discussed about committee activities and came to a conclusion to suggest merging the two committees as "NACP Imaging Committee" as a work name.

An annual or biannual meeting is reasonable form and possible surplus from arranged events should go to the "risk takers" whether it is a NMO, hospital organization or other.

## Issue 2019-01/ 5 Survey on physicist staffing in the Nordic Countries

It was agreed that there is a need for a survey and it should follow the EFOMP guidelines. Anders told that he has made a survey in Sweden with a slightly modified questionary.

Anders promised to send the spreadsheet to all and after checking by council members it will be sent to the NMOs to collect information from their country.

The results are planned to be presented at the NACP2020 and with a thought of possible publishing.

#### Issue 2019-01/ 6 EU MED/Directive implementation in Nordic Countries

As Norway don't belong to the EU they have their own laws that differ from the Directive.

Finland and Sweden have implemented the Directive and defined the role of Radiation Protection Experts and Radiation Protection Officers, where Medical physicist have a significant role.

Denmark has implemented the directive, but further descriptions have not been done.

#### Issue 2019-01/7 Grants

**a.** Varian-NACP grant

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Mika has been in contact with SVCF (Silicon Valley Community Foundation) and there are still open issue on the banking account handling, but this is about to be fixed (with the ne account).

**b.** Elekta-NACP grant

Nothing new.

c. NACP2020 Symposium travel grant

There will be a travel grant, but no details were discussed.

#### Issue 2019-01/8 Webpages

An own domain independent from Finnish NMO from One.com (Premium 26 NKr/month) will be purchased as soon as the new account is available for payments.

#### Issue 2019-01/9 Other matters

a. Banking issues

Asger is about finalising the account approval at Jyske Bank. Next step is for all Council members to visit Jyske Bank for signatures (after this meeting) and get the signature of Gardar by mail.

When this is done, Asger contacts Cathrine on final money transfer process.

- **b.** Report 2018. Mika will prepare and circulate a draft as getting it ready so that it could be approved at the next meeting.
- **c.** List of Duties. A new version (updated rotation list) of the List of Duties will be sent with the minutes of the joint meeting
- d. Members of the scientific committee to be checked from the NMOs

#### Issue 2019-01/ 10 Next council meetings

Next council meeting was decided to be held (DID WE DO THIS???)

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