

Minutes: Scandiatransplant Board Meeting No. 113

Date: September 15th, 2025,

Location: Clarion Hotel Kastrup, Room Idun

Time: 10.00-16.00.

Participants:

CHAIRMAN: Allan Rasmussen

SWEDEN Vivan Hellström, Uppsala

NORWAY: Are Martin Holm, Oslo

FINLAND: Marko Lempinen, Helsinki

ICELAND: Arni Sæmundsson, Reykjavik

ESTONIA: Virge Pall, Tartu

DENMARK: Michael Perch, Copenhagen

Medical Director: Kaj Anker Jørgensen

Leader of Meeting: Allan Rasmussen

Writer of Minutes: Kaj Anker Jørgensen

1. Welcome

- Allan bid everybody welcome and introduced new Board members.

2. Issues for any other business

- None.

3. Minutes of last Board Meeting

- The minutes from the last Board meeting were approved.

4. Office Status Update

- It has been very peaceful during the summer.
- YASWA now allows biometric or two-factor authentication from personal devices, but this is not available on hospital computers.

5. Travel Grants

- Jesper Kjærgaard and Jon Nielsen (Copenhagen) was granted 33.000 DKK. They are travelling to Holland to enhance their expertise in pediatric liver transplantation.

- Nathalie Stenetorp's application was granted 21.000 DKK for five persons traveling from Uppsala to Helsinki to enhance professional collaboration.
- Eva Alice Line was granted 19.000 DKK for three people traveling from Oslo to Aarhus and Stockholm to facilitate collaboration.

6. SCTP ⇔ Competent authorities

- The Board has discussed whether Scandiatransplant has exclusive rights to all the donors in the Scandiatransplant countries. This has been accepted by the competent authorities (CAs) of the countries, but we do not have anything written.
- Kaj has made a suggestion for a note stating that this is the case. The note will be sent with invitations to the next meeting with CAs in November and it will be discussed at that meeting.

7. Follow-up on Council Meeting

a. Scandiatransplant Congress (STC)

Allan and Are had worked out a document which had been distributed to the Board members 2 weeks before the meeting. It was discussed and the following groups were formed to work on the matters, and distribute them to the Board, so they could be accepted at the next Board meeting in November.

1. Criteria for applicants: Allan, Árni, Michael* and Marko.
2. WG for organizing committee: Allan*, Are, Vivan, Virge.
3. Scientific group: Allan, Are*, Vivan, Michael.

b. Medical Director:

- Are and Allan had also prepared a very detailed document on this subject, which had been sent out to the Board members two weeks before. The subject was discussed thoroughly.
- The Board feels it is time for a change, and the conclusion was that the Board will advertise for a full-time manager, not necessarily medical, to lead the daily work at the office.
- Allan and Are will make a draft for the advertisement and circulate it to the Board. The final decision will be made at a Board meeting in Kastrup on February 4th, 2026.

c. Index Regulation of Fee:

- This suggestion has been brought up at the last two council meetings. It was decided that the payment per transplantation and the budget will be informed by index, and the budget should allow for a robust margin.
- d. Low Attendance at Council Meeting:
 - This issue was discussed, and it could be a problem, especially in the future, however, the problem is likely primarily local.
- 8. Any Other Business
 - None
- 9. Next Board Meeting:
 - November 6th, 2025, 9.00 – 12.00, Helsinki, before the meeting with the CAs in the afternoon.