

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ARTHROSCOPISTS

April 28, 1974

The inaugural meeting of the International Association of Arthroscopists was held at the Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, April 28, 1974. After an hour of scientific presentations, the first business session was called to order by Dr. Robert W. Jackson of Toronto, Canada. The preliminary steps of the establishment of a non-profit corporation were outlined by Dr. John Joyce who then introduced the two attorneys who had prepared a draft constitution.

The members then established a nominating committee consisting of Dr. R. W. Jackson, Dr. S. W. Casscells, Dr. John J. Joyce, III, Dr. R. L. O'Connor, Dr. A. Bass, Dr. R. Lidge, Dr. M. Aignan, and Dr. M. Watanabe.

The following officers were proposed and approved unanimously by the membership:

President: Dr. Masaki Watanabe  
Vice-President: Dr. Robert Jackson  
Secretary: Dr. S. W. Casscells  
Treasurer: Dr. Richard O'Connor

The following were approved for Board of Directors: Dr. M. Aignan, Dr. A. Bass, Dr. S. W. Casscells, Dr. K. DeHaven, Dr. Ikeuchi, Dr. R. W. Jackson, Dr. L. Johnson, Dr. J. J. Joyce, III, Dr. R. Lidge, Dr. J. McGinty, Dr. R. O'Connor, and Dr. Watanabe.

The following individuals were elected for the rule and by-laws committee: Dr. Robert Bechtol, Dr. Ward Casscells, Dr. Robert Jackson, Dr. Lanny Johnson, Dr. J. J. Joyce, III, and Dr. R. O'Connor.

It was suggested that the first triennial meeting be held in conjunction with the SICOT meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark in July 1975.

In addition to regular membership, it was felt that a founding membership should be open to interested individuals until the next association meeting and that the fee would be \$50.00.

Re-election of officers will be available at the next meeting if the membership desires.

The meeting concluded with a welcome to the new president and an acceptance speech.