PROPOSED SNRS BYLAWS REVISION

January 19, 2012

The SNRS Bylaws have been streamlined and shortened to make them more accessible to members and useful for guidance to the Society Board. These revisions are in accordance with recommendations for policies and by-laws of non-profit organizations. Changes to the Bylaws must be approved by the SNRS membership and will be voted on during the Annual Business Meeting.

Here is a brief summary of the proposed changes for your consideration: The duties of the officers (President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) have been removed and placed into the Policy and Procedures Manual under the appropriate sections. This allows the duties to be revised without requiring a vote from the Society membership, thus providing the Board with the flexibility to meet the ever changing needs of the organization. The composition and responsibilities of the committees have also been removed from the Bylaws and placed into the Policy and Procedure Manual in the appropriate areas. As the SNRS strategic plan changes from year to year, this allows the Board to add committees or delete committees that have served their purpose, or revise their goals and objectives in concert with the strategic plan. Redundant language has been removed and sections have been renumbered. A section on Indemnification and Liability has been added to the Bylaws for legal standing of the Society Officers.

Please review the proposed revisions to the SNRS Bylaws prior to the Annual Business Meeting to be held on Friday, February 24th during the Annual Conference in New Orleans.

Thank you for your support of SNRS.

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