



Notes of teleconference held on Tuesday 12th June 2012

Participants:

Joel Lexchin, Orla O'Donovan, Patrick Durisch, Staffan Svensson,

Christian Wagner as Europe representative on the Foundation Board

Tim Reed, Katrina Perehudoff, Tessel Mellema and Rose de Groot (note-taker).

AGENDA:

Opening discussion : Exchange of news from Global/Foundation Board (Christian) and the Association Board.. Followed by:

1. Approval of Corrections required to Notes of the Association Board meeting held at the Amsterdam offices on 25th March
2. Update on Open Seminar (venue, programme, etc.)
3. Update on AGM (venue, programme, etc.)
4. Update on membership
5. Honorary membership
6. Update on EMA “revolving door” issue
- 7.. Follow up Summer School scheduled for 2013
- 8.. Follow up Essay contest
9. Board elections
10. Any Other Business



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Opening discussion between Board and Christian Wagner

CW reported that no new items have been discussed by the Foundation Board since the joint Boards meeting in March. Foundation Board planning teleconference for end of June/early July; face-to-face meeting in the autumn. No Latin American representative has yet been proposed by the region. Re Europe activities, no specific agenda point needs input from the Foundation Board.

The Foundation Board will receive a copy of the précised minutes of the meeting held by the Association Board on 25th March and the Association Board will get a summary from the Foundation Board March meeting. The requested regular exchange of information between the Boards is thus established; more news will be distributed following both Boards teleconferences.

CW signed off and the teleconference (TC) continued according to the Agenda.

Agenda point	Discussion
1. Approval of Notes of 25 March meeting	All members agreed to corrections previously e-mailed through by Board members. Notes now to be e-mailed to all Board participants.
2. Update on Open Seminar	KP thanked Board for input and ideas, and reported good venue now found. Format of 2 sessions planned with 3 speakers per session and a respondents panel session leading to a longer debate with the audience. Discussion on possible speakers/respondents.
3. Annual General Meeting 13 October	A draft format for this has been drawn up including time allocations for members' issues/presentations. Venue is different to the Open Seminar which will come first this year.
4. Membership	Reporting on current membership with 4 new members
5. Honorary (lifetime) membership	This was discussed at the September meeting 2011 following the first appointing of honorary lifetime membership. A protocol on procedure for establishing honorary lifetime membership is required. This will be discussed at the 2012 AGM
6. Update on EMA "revolving door" issue	KP reported that in April HAI + coalition partners entered into informal discussions on this issue. The Board will be kept informed on developments.
7. Summer School	E-mail updates distributed before the meeting. Dates and venue not yet decided. Summer school planning committee is : SS, CK, Fiona Rae, student Rosa Jahn Discussion on how to involve participants, follow up, funding, content matter.
8. Essay contest	Poor response means no awards this year.
9. Board elections	Orla O'Donovan standing down. Discussion on possible new Board member.
10. Any Other Business	None
	This TC closed at 17.10 with thanks to all