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39th AEMH-Board meeting

Madrid 22 April 2004

14:00 – 16:00

Venue: Consejo General de Colegios Médicos, Villanueva 11 – 28001 Madrid
4th floor

Chairman: Dr. Lies, President

Participants: Dr. Kirschner, Prof. Nolte, Dr. Morresi, Mrs Jencik.
Late arrival Prof. Degos

Opening: 14:00

Adjourned: 16:00

The President opened the session at 14:00 and welcomed the participants in the premises of the Spanish host, Consejo General de Colegios Médicos. Prof. Degos was excused; due to a plane cancellation he could join the meeting only at point 6 of the agenda.

- 1. Approval of the Minutes** of the 38th Board Meeting in Bruxelles
The Minutes, AEMH 04/002 were adopted without any amendments.

- 2. President's Report** **AEMH 04/005**

The President's report having been distributed in advance to the meeting, the President highlighted the most important points, which were also the next topics of the agenda of this board.

Motivating the working group is one of his major concerns.

Prof. Nolte advocated his and the opinion of other delegates involved in the AEMH working groups that the sole electronic way of communication is insufficient and that the groups should be given time to meet prior or during the plenary meeting. Deadlines for submitting reports should be set more firmly.

The President proposed, which was also related in his report, to concentrate on one or two topics each year. Having studied the different national reports, he concluded that most countries highlighted hospital financing and quality management as national concerns.

3. **Relation with CPME and AOs**

The President reported from the last meetings which took place one month before. The Presidents of the CPME and the AOs meet in the so-called “Steering Committee”, which chair is in rotation as well as the task of the rapporteur. The procedure of submitting documents and the integration proposal to a united European Medical Organisation were on the main topics on the agenda.

4. **The Future of European Medical Organisations**

The draft integration plan for the future of the European Medical Organisations presented to the CPME, the PWG, the UEMO and the UEMS by their UK delegation was commented by the President as being issued by organizations which are not member in the AEMH. His point of view, which he had also expressed to the CPME General Assembly, is that any construction based on the disappearance of one or several organizations cannot be a valuable basis for the future. He invited the members of the Board to express their opinions.

Dr Morresi pleaded for a cooperation model without integration, on which Dr Kirschner took the example of the European Union, to which all external countries wish to be integrated.

Prof. Nolte explained that his national organization is not represented in other European medical organization and it is therefore of paramount importance that the AEMH resists to all external attempts of absorption.

The President resumed the discussion that the meaning of the word “integration” should be defined, but as it stands it looks as if its final issue would be a “melting pot”.

The AEMH has to express its own view on the subject and to confirm that it wants to be a stakeholder in all hospital related topics, without denying the steering role of the CPME.

The subject will be on the agenda of the plenary meeting where the national delegations can express their point of view.

5. **The role of the Secretariat**

The President commended the secretary for the work accomplished especially during the last months by gathering valuable information on EU policy affairs and making contacts with the EU institutions. This resulted in invitations to meetings and implies a representation role for the secretary.

In respect of this change of activity and task the President suggested to the other members of the Board to nominate Brigitte Jencik, Secretary General. The proposal met the approval of the Board members and was received with applause.

The extended activity needs an increase of working hours. It was agreed that the working hours would be raised from 20 to 28 hours per week. The treasurer thought a reevaluation of the salary -although appropriate- not defendable for 2004 as not budgeted. It was agreed that the new position and working time will start as from 1st May 2004.

Brigitte Jencik thanked the members of the Board for their confidence and explained her wish to give a real added value to the Secretariat not only by assuming a representation role but also by proposing services to the National Member delegations. She took example of an invitation from the European Commission to a Stakeholder Conference, where she negotiated with the Commission the reimbursement of travel expenses for delegates. The Danish Medical Association and the Croatian Medical Chamber took advantage of this opportunity by sending 2 delegates without any costs for their association.

6. Finances

- Treasurer's Report 2003

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The treasurer Dr Kirschner read his report and expressed his satisfaction with the new Belgian Auditors who had achieved the closing of accounts very quickly. The figures for the year 2003 were in line with the expectations, except for the interests as the rates have decreased.

The situation for 2004 is very positive as except Italy and half of the French contribution, all delegations have paid their membership fees. Prof. Degos explained that he is in contact with the Conseil de l'Ordre in order to urge the payment.

- Draft Budget 2005

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The presentation of the Draft budget raised the comments of Prof Degos whose delegation will not accept a 10 % increase for the interpretation service.

Dr Morresi reported that the document drafted by the Italian delegation had been addressed also to other European Medical Organisations and that it reflects the position of his delegation, but that he as a member of the board is backing the Board's decision.

7. Next Board Meeting

Dr Morresi reiterated his invitation to hold the next board meeting in Varese/ Italy on 1 October 2004. The President and the Board members accepted with thanks.

8. Miscellaneous

No other businesses were reported.

The President closed the session at 16:00.