

## Minutes

### General Assembly EAHL

28.9.2017 : 17 :45 - 18 :10

[around 43 EAHL-Members are present]

1. **Adoption of Agenda** - all EAHL-Members agree – Agenda is approved
2. **Report of General Assembly 2015 in Prague** – no EAHL-member present requests any changes - Report is approved
3. **Activity Report : 2015-2017: Anne-Marie Duguet personally presents report; Membership committee report is presented by Dean Harris** : EAHL made progress on membership ; success : 12 new national contact persons ; new members from new countries (Bulgaria, Iceland, Slovenia, etc.); as of July 2017 123 Members from almost 40 different countries have joined EAHL (2014 : 166 members , but almost 50 did not pay membership fee) ; work with national contacts will continue, Dean Harris is optimistic about future – no questions, comments by EAHL-members – many thanks to Anne-Marie Duguet and Dean Harris!
4. **Financial matters:** Karl H. Soevig presents **financial report** instead of Herman Nys (until now treasurer of EAHL) : 2015-2017 : main income : MS-fees ; some complications because bank accounts had to be changed ; now it works with a bank account in the Netherlands ; figures : about 20.000 EUROS – at least some possibilities to go into activities ; activities for the members shall be the future ; costs are for administrative assistant and website maintenance ; the budget committee appointed by the last general assembly had to be substituted: Harald Platou, Steven Lierman and Maria Sokolska – have been approved by board; the document prepared by Herman Nys has been sent in time to budget committee – Harald Platou confirms this fact and reports that budget committee received all information ; there are no further comments by budget committee – all members accept financial report and join the budget committee's recommendation to accept financial report ;

A new budget committee would have to be appointed by general assembly; so far no new candidates have approached the board – it is thus necessary to postpone the decision; Karl Sovig asks the general assembly to authorise the new board to appoint a new members of budget committee; no member is against this proposal – the general assembly authorizes the new board to appoint new members of budget committee.

5. **MS acquisition report:** Interest groups : Finally only 3 interest groups (illegal migrants, data protection, biobanks) – all groups are on a good way to continue work ; to set up an interest group seven EAHL-Members from at least two countries have to be in the actively working for this interest group – should be OK by the EAHL-board ; launch of new interest group by Brigit Toebes will be tomorrow ; question re interest groups : what kind of support does the association give to the group – answer : only platform for interest group – it is a scientific support ; group will be put on the EAHL-website and can communicate through the website ; competition for young researchers is organised by the association ; Anne-Marie Duguet will continue to be the competent person for interested members.

6. **EAHL-strategy:**

Reflection Committee : EAHL-board asks general assembly for approval for authorising the board to appoint a reflection committee; reflection committee shall establish a strategy-basis for the work of new board; no comments on this request; general assembly approves suggestion.

Interest groups – see above (5.)

7. **Election of new Board members** : EAHL-president sent a suggestion for a new board to all EAHL-members and asks whether the general assembly agrees on the suggestion; GA agrees with new board members – no comments – four new board members – Steven Lierman, Joaquin Cayon De Las Cuevas, Annagrazia Altavilla and Athanasios Panagiotou – are approved by general assembly.

Advisory Board Members and NCPs will be appointed by new Board ; administrative support (Lala) does not attend the conference – new board will have to decide on further cooperation.

8. New board announces: **Expression of interest for the next EAHL conference** (2019) can be submitted to new board; the new board will then decide about location for next conference.

9. **Any other business**

- a. European Health Law teaching network – tomorrow there will be a launch – everybody who is interested can give input ;
- b. Problems with the website because the administrator was located in Scotland ; now the administrator it is located in the Czech Republic ; board will clarify whether administration of website should be moved to Norway or another country.

- c. **Bank account is in the Netherlands** – we will see whether it will continue to be in the Netherlands ; board will inform members as soon as possible.
- d. **Contact with WMAL** – successful common workshops during last WMAL-conference have been conducted; this cooperation will continue

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