Minutes EFPC general Assembly 2021
On-Line via Zoom
Monday 6 September 2021 18.00 – 19.30

Chaired by Sally Kendall & Maria van den Muijsenbergh, Alessandro Mereu take notes.

Agenda:

1. Opening

   Sally (chair) opens the meeting and welcomes everybody on Zoom.

2. Sally presents the Executive Board rotation grid. She will leave the chair position.
   The GA approves (100%) Maria van den Muijsenbergh as new chair and the GA also approves (100%) Toni Dedeu as a new Executive Board member.

   Maria van den Muijsenbergh takes over as chair for the GA and thanks Sally for all the work she has done for the EFPC.


   Diederik takes us through the annual report, with a presentation focused on the highlights of the previous association year.

   Maria van den Muijsenbergh presents the multi annual plan 2021-2026 as a result of the work of the Strategic Task Force.

4. Reports from the EFPC Working Groups

   All working groups presented their activities in the previous association year except for the Palliative Care WG for which no one was present. Some have been very active like the Mental Health WG, Prison Health WG, Vaccination WG, Healthy Aging WG and EMA WG and others less. A new WG was formed: Greener Primary Care. The Mental Health WG, Prison Health WG and EMA WG presented also a written annual report.

5. Finances

   a. Financial overview 2020-2021

      i. Financial report by the treasurer, Harry Longman

      Harry shows that we had less income than budget for the second year in a row due to lack of conference and project income. Again action has to be taken, not only by downsizing the cost structure as we already did last year but also by increasing the income as soon as possible.

      ii. Explanatory notes by the audit committee presented by Toni Dedeu representing also Loes van Amsterdam and Anke van Dam.
Toni Deddeu, on behalf of the audit committee, suggests the following recommendations:

- Considering the impact of COVID-19 pandemic, the organisation has been able to largely adjust the situation, thanks to the delay of staff payments and ending contract of one staff member. However, the organisation’s policy should avoid this practice in the future.
- The committee advises the Executive Board to develop a strategy for increasing memberships and to diversify the sources of income.
- The committee advises to develop an immediate action plan for income generation beyond the established membership fees. Therefore, exceptional donations and advancement of membership fees are advised among other solutions to mitigate the negative cashflow in the coming months.
- The delicate financial situation of the organisation and the continuing uncertainty due to the pandemic, the committee recommends the EFPC should be closely monitored in the coming months and during the coming budget year.
- In line with this, the Audit Committee recommends the treasurer and the Executive Board to produce quarterly financial reports, to provide data to the Audit Committee members to advise follow up measures to be implemented in the FY.
- The Audit Committee recommends the Executive Board to provide the long-term Strategic Plan and Strategic Financial Plan before the end of 2021.

In Conclusion:

- They recommend to the General Assembly to approve the realisation (FY) 2020-2021.
- They recommend to the General Assembly to approve the budget 2021-2022.
- They give discharge to the treasurer and the Executive Board for the realisation of (FY) 2021-2022.

b. Request to discharge the Treasurer and his fellow Executive Board members (for approval)

After voting of the membership the approval (100%) is given to discharge the Treasurer and his fellow Executive Board members.

c. The appointment of an audit committee of three members for the next association year 2021-2022 (for approval)

Anke van Dam has expressed that she is willing to continue. Two new candidate members present themselves briefly: Michael van den Berg and Bernd Leinich. These three candidates are proposed as the new audit committee for next year. Voting: 100% agreed with the proposal.

d. Budget next association year (2021-2022) (for approval)

Voting: the budget is approved by 100%

6. Advisory Board, current composition and rotation grid

a. Introduction of three nominations for two vacancies (for approval).
   i. Mr. Laszlo Kolozsvari
   ii. Ms. Neda Milevska
iii. Ms. Maria Papadakaki

Maria thanks Robin Miller and Andre Biscaia who are standing down from the AdvBo. The three new candidates introduce themselves.

Voting: Mr. Laszlo Kolozsvari: 16 votes
Ms. Neda Milevska: 23 votes
Ms. Maria Papadakaki: 29 votes

Congratulations to Neda and Maria! Elena Petelos suggests the involvement of Laszlo in one of the active EFPC working groups in the upcoming year(s). Laszlo expresses his understanding and will look into further options for involvement in the EFPC activities.

7. The determination of the membership fee for 2021/2022 (for approval)

Voting: membership fee is agreed to be the same for next year (100%)

8. Minutes General Assembly 2020, 28 September Online (for approval)

Voting for approving the minutes: 97% agrees with accepting the minutes.

9. Other issues on which members want to provide feedback-input

Anette Fagertun propose to adopt the issues of equity and social justice as an umbrella in each EFPC activities.

10. Closure

Maria thanks everyone for joining.