

Annual General Meeting Gothenburg, Se

Notes

10th September 2010, 11:30-12:15

Nick Heather, as President, welcomes participants and emphasizes that the AGM is the governing body that runs the network and that it is very important that appropriate time be given to the AGM to go through all the network business and that members' participation is very much encouraged.

No other points are added to the agenda.

1. Notes of the AGM meeting Newcastle 2009

Matters arising from the notes

Copies of the notes are distributed. No matters arise from the notes.

2. President's report (Nick Heather) – See also presentation attached.

Nick Heather starts by saying that the network is doing good work in organizing conferences but still lacks mechanisms to be more active between conferences. He reminds members that the main achievement of the last year was the survey carried out in collaboration with Leo Pas and his team in Domus Medica and Pierluigi Struzzo.

He summarizes that:

- 46% responded and probably were the most active members.
- Some language problems were found suggesting that future initiatives would need translation into other languages.
- Despite the low rate some useful information was collected and the majority of the results confirm that members would like the network to develop the activities already contained in the original aims and objectives.

Nick Heather comments that during the CC meeting that took place on Wednesday it was agreed to rephrase and improve the aims and objectives and that members will be invited to provide input on relevance and prioritization of this process and final approval by the AGM will be needed.

Nick Heather explains that recently it has been confirmed that INEBRIA will be contributing to the WHO Global Alcohol Strategy with the production by the end of this year of two booklets on best practice in BI, one for clinicians (developed by Eileen Kaner and Nick Heather) and one for policy makers (developed by Peter Anderson).

He also adds that a special issue of the Drug and Alcohol Review with the proceedings from the last conference has been completed and that the network is

considering applying to have regular annual publications on the conferences in the same journal.

He adds that there has been good progress made on both the conference in Boston and the proposal for the 2012 conference in Bangkok. The Thai conference will be confirmed by the time of the Boston conference.

He points out some disappointments. He says that there has not been much progress on the development of the list-serv or the communication tool among members but he says that the CC is working on that and experimenting with google group with the commitment to test its possibilities with a view to opening it to members if useful by the beginning of next year. He reminds participants that meanwhile volunteers to manage the group are also welcomed.

He adds that the CC agreed to open conversations with all members in order to discuss the expansion of the network to other drugs and behaviours.

He finishes by encouraging members to contact him for any proposal or comment on this matter.

3. **Secretary's report (Lidia Segura)** - See LAO presentation attached.

Approved new members:

•**Andrew McAuley (24/06/2010)**

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•**Amy Sorensen-Alawad (17/06/2010)**

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•**Dorothy Newbury-Birch (15/06/2010)**

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•**Mauricio Gonzalez (23/05/2010)**

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•**Jennifer Mertens (23/01/2010)**

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•**Sharon Jones (20/01/2010)**

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•**Susan Paton (20/01/2010)**

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•**James Morris (21/12/2009)**

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Tracy L. McPherson (18/12/2009)

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•**Alexander Cowell (18/12/2009)**

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Jean-Bernard Daeppe (09/12/2009)

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•**Marika Holmquist (27/10/2009)**
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•**Penny Pointon (14/10/2009)**
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•**Raul Aragao Martins (13/10/2009)**
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•**Don Wilson (13/10/2009)**
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•**Adele Drane (09/10/2008)**
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•**Rod Hawker (25/11/2009)**
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•**Jan Klimas (29/05/2010)**
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•**Tom Defillet (09/09/2010)**
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4. Treasurer's report

See presentation attached.



Treasurer Report 2009

INCOME

Money transferred in 2007 from Muenster: 1.082,99 €

TRANSF.DIVISAS	12/03/2008-13/03/2008	1.064,99 €
TRANSF.DIVISAS	May 2010	7314,27€

EXPENDITURE

Expenses to attend WHO meeting	627,70 €
Expenses to attend AER meeting	808,31 €

Available: **6922,92 €**

GENCAT CONTRIBUTION 2010

Secretary:		
-Updating website and edition flyer: 16 days/year * 103,60 €=		1.657,60 €
-Technical officer: 10 days/year * 189,32 €=		1.893,2 €
-Administrative officer: 12 days/year * 108,93 €=		1.307,16 €

Printing:		
- Conference flyer (400 copies)		178€

Total: **5035,96€**

Inebria bank account - La Caixa - Spain

5. CC members nominations (Spring 2011)

Lidia Segura explains that nominations period will be announced by Spring 2011. Everybody, except from Jim McCambridge and Nick Heather, should resign by then and seek re-election if they wish to do so.

6. Plans for the Boston meeting (Richard Saitz)

Richard Saitz briefly introduces the conference, pointing out that the main information is detailed in a flyer. He invites everyone to participate by mentioning that the weather in Boston is wonderful in September and that they have found a nice venue, an old jail transformed into a hotel. He especially reminds members of the importance of checking Visa and passports requirements.

He adds that two grants from NIDA and NIAAA have been requested but confirmation has not yet been received.

He ends by introducing Amy Alawad, the manager of the conference.

The possibility is raised of asking PAHO to support the participation of speakers from some developing countries with some bursaries.

7. Plans for 2012 and subsequent meetings

Sawitri Assanangkornchai explains that she is confident that the conference can take place in her country and already welcomes participants to attend it. It is planned for some time in November of 2012.

8. Any other business

Joan Colom proposes 2013 for the 10th conference in Barcelona (Catalonia) and this suggestion is generally welcomed.

Toni Gual proposes to organize as soon as possible a thematic BI-computerized meeting in Barcelona in the framework of the ODHIN project and to open it to INEBRIA members. More information on when and what will be distributed.

Tom Defillet offers the possibility to help INEBRIA in developing a linkedin network

Nick Heather ends by thanking everyone for their participation and Joan Colom and GENCAT, in particular Lidia Segura, for their support to the network.