

**Annual General Meeting****Friday 25th over lunch time 11:15-12:45****Marriott Buckhead, Atlanta****1. Welcome**

SA welcomes everyone

**2. Review of notes of the AGM meeting in Warsaw 2014 and matters arising**

No matters arising

**3. President's report**

JM thanks everyone for the organization and the work done in the conference.

He introduces briefly the document which collects all the information needed for organizing a conference.

He points out the benefits of the decision to enlarge the CC last year, the incorporation of new members and the results of the call for endorsement of the position statement.

He also reflects on the lack of guidance on how to manage the relation with alcohol industry and explains the invitation received from the journal of studies on alcohol and drugs to write a statement describing the circumstances, the rationale and the implication of developing position statements on the alcohol industry.

As the last issue, he encourages the leadership of the network, to continue working as during the past three years.

SA takes over the presidency and starts by thanking JM for all the work done and acknowledging that there are no immediate urgencies and those issues are easily manageable with the procedures in place.

He comments two thoughts, we need to consider what we actually mean by "brief" interventions and if they can include patients with alcohol use disorders.

He also comments the importance of expanding and reaching other parts of the world. He emphasizes the importance of making an effort to organize meetings and conferences and involve more researchers and countries in INEBRIA.

**4. Secretary's report**

LS reminds the tasks carried out by the secretariat: support the coordinating committee, support to Atlanta conference organizers and membership and website management.

She mentions the rearrangement of the CC teleconferences taking place in the third Thursday on March, June and December and the difficulties in finding the right time to meet. She comments that a document on how to organize an INEBRIA conference has been prepared and that the on-line version will be soon available.

She adds that there are 28 new members. She comments that updating contact details from members is difficult and therefore it is difficult to know how many of the members are still active. LS also reminds that a password was introduced to protect some documents and that the password was circulated to all members. It is agreed to develop a strategy to update members' contact information.

She explains that the secretariat keeps collecting and maintaining the data base with bibliography and that a total of 1067 articles are listed.

She mentions one of the strategies to expand the network is to invite researchers who are writing about SBI to join the network. She adds that it was done once in the past and that the Secretariat is preparing the contact list by revising the database.

She also adds that the Secretariat is in touch with Maristela Monteiro and Marcela Tiburcio as representatives of Inebria Latina and that a teleconference is already arranged to discuss the future actions to consider including the maintenance of the INEBRIA contents in Spanish.

She finalizes commenting that the google group has 525 members, a fast growth because all members are invited to join instead of waiting their petition to join. She comments that there has been a reduction on the activity if compared with a year ago and she emphasizes the need to reactivate the group.

NF points out that the Google group used to be more active because the CC used to have an active role posting topics and items to generate the discussion. She suggests and invites everybody who is interested in getting involved in communicating with her. She also explains that in the website they could update conversational abstract about what they presented in the conferences and link that to their slides for the ones who want to communicate their research more properly. Let her know the ones interested in helping with the coordination.

## **5. Treasurer's report**

LS, representing the treasurer, reports that the Catalan government is happy to support Inebria. She explains that the incomes come uniquely from the benefits of the conferences (Münster, Newcastle Boston and Barcelona). The expenses are mainly related with supporting the participation of the president and INEBRIA representative to different meetings (ICARA, etc), the ICARA annual fee and costs of maintenance of the bank account. She adds that there are 9.173,51 € in the bank account.

## **6. Election of Office-bearers**

Following the procedure, Jean-Bernard is nominated as a candidate.

## **7. Endorsement of the INEBRIA position statement on the relation with the alcohol industry**

LS informs that 64 responses were received with 91% endorsement. Referring to the new members 86% said yes.

It is commented the importance to include other drug industries in the statement (cannabis).

## **8. Conflict of interest declarations for conference speakers and CC members**

One of the participants in the AGM complains about the lack of time to discuss about the COI during last year and the lack of opportunities to comment and provide alternatives giving an image of non-interest about transparency. She asks for an opportunity to review the position statement again since only few people participated in the Warsaw AGM.

LS mentions it was a consultation in the google group open which allow us to comment, but just few people provided us some ideas or suggestions. Following the AGM Warsaw, they posted it and they welcomed comments.

JM responds that in terms of the content of the comments, just a very small number of people expressed concerns about the content of the position statement.

It is suggested to make everything clear to get support from all members and include the tobacco, gambling or cannabis industry.

It is agreed that it is required to have a clear procedure on how to deal with issues deriving from the position statement and COI documents.

## **9. AOB**

NF will continue representing INEBRIA in ICARA.

Anne Berman comments that there will be a deadline to submit papers in an international journal by January and papers from Inebria members are welcomed. She also informs about the conference from ISBM that will take place on December 2016 in Melbourne. She invites everyone to join. JM reminds that they encouraged INEBRIA members to submit abstracts to the last conference but they did not have a great response.

Nick Heather talks about the lack of progress on the research standardization group and explains that he will send an e-mail to request if anyone else is willing to join and replace the actual person in charge.