



EUNIS Virtual Board Meeting – January 9, 2017 – 16:00-17:30

Minutes

Present (Board members): John Murphy (President), Ilkka Siissalo (Vice-President), Raimund Vogl (Treasurer), Paola Gargiulo, Lígia Ribeiro, Mikael Berglund, Tomasz Szmuc, Yiannis Salmatzidis, Bas Cordewener, Malte Dreyer.

In attendance: Jean-François Desnos (Executive Secretary), Anna Pacholak (Board Administrator).

Apologies: Ramon Grau Sala

1. The EUNIS Secretary elections

There was no candidate for the Secretary position. Bas Cordewener was proposed by the President. However, he expressed the need of consultations with his employer first. He also emphasized that his workload is high already. Therefore, other candidates are still welcome. The President expressed the roles and responsibilities should be revised before the second loop is set. As an interim duty the Executive Secretary offered to play the role of Secretary till the following elections are held. As of January 2017 Jean Francois Desnos is giving up on his allowance and will support EUNIS on a volunteer basis.

Action: The second round of Secretary election to be run.

2. Update on finance and memberships

The Treasurer updated on finance and memberships: the balance is €67k; payment by Harald Spiegl is received; current state of membership payments can be found in the Excel file at the owncloud. There are still some 17 institutions that haven't paid yet.

3. Update on EUNIS 2017

Raimund Vogl updated on the EUNIS 2017 Congress preparations. The first Program Committee VC was already held on 14.12.2016 and the next one is planned for mid-January in order to identify and approach keynote speakers. The call for papers and reminder have been sent, and the Easy Chair for paper submission is set up. Raimund reminded to accept the pending invitations for Scientific Committee. 3 sponsors are already fixed (€16k). Oracle and SAP are to be approached by John and Raimund respectively.

Action: Jean Francois to check with EUNIS 2018 (Paris) Congress organisers if they want to book a stand for the promotional purpose.

4. Update on the TFs' activity

Bas overviewed the Board on Task Force Leaders activities. The minutes from the TFs VC meeting was sent prior to the Board meeting. TFs leaders suggested there should be a mailing list that allows for the direct communication with the Board members. The Board accepted to add the TF/project Leaders' e-mails to the board@eunis.org mailing list.

Gill expressed that the zoom webinar tool fulfills her requirements only partly, thus some other options should be also considered.

Action: Anna to ask Gill to send the list of requests regarding the webinar technical issues.

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5. Final version of the TFs guidelines

TF Leaders commented that one obligatory event per year is not realistic for every TF, thus cannot be a must. The Board agreed to put "recommended" instead.

Action: Anna to update the EUNIS TFs Guidelines on the web.

6. New representative from CINECA

Paola Gargiulo replaced Michele Mennielli as the representative of CINECA.

7. Assigning Board members to Task Forces/projects.

The Board members assignments are to be revised. Thierry volunteered to be the liaison to the Learning & Teaching Task Force.

8. Update on EUNIS Rectors' 2018

Ligia updated on EUNIS Rectors' 2018 preparations. There were comments from the Board not to make the title too technical. The Program Committee meets in March in Porto. Bas suggested to add a promotion of the event as a point to the agenda of the meeting, as it is highly important to plan this activity in advance. Paola expressed the interest in Rectors' Conference flyer distribution.

9. Feedback from EUNIS Congress 2018, 2019, 2020 organisers – Jean Francois (Paris), Ilkka (Trondheim, Helsinki)

All the organisers are glad for being accepted as hosts of the Congress. On 10th of Jan the Paris Committee will meet.

10. AOB

Thierry outlined the offer of Educa Berlin. More details are requested by the Board.

Ligia will explore possible collaboration with CASRAI organization.