IFHOHYP
Annual General Meeting of 2009

Minutes of the meeting

Malmö, Sweden
12th of April 2009
1. **Presidential Address: Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Karina Chupina, President of IFHOHYP, welcomed the participants and opened the meeting at 10.15.

2. **Election of the Chairperson of the meeting**

Rinne Oost was chosen to be the chairperson of the meeting.

3. **Election of the Secretary of the meeting**

Noora Penttinen was chosen to be the Secretary of the meeting.

4. **Election of the inspectors of the minutes (2) and the vote counters (2)**

Juraj Variny and Sanne Osterkamp were chosen to be the inspectors of the minutes, Martin Novak and Anna Vita Ross were chosen to be the counters of the votes.

5. **Stating the Members of IFHOHYP**

The members who have paid the membership fee of 2009 are:


6. **Stating the Delegates and Observers in the meeting**

The Delegates and the Observers of the meeting were, see table 1:

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<th>Name</th>
<th>Country</th>
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<td>Sanne Osterkamp</td>
<td>The Netherlands</td>
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<td>Rinne Oost</td>
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<td>Mikael de Vries</td>
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<td>Christi Oost-Menheere</td>
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<td>Lianne de Jonge</td>
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<td>Noora Penttinen</td>
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<td>Julia Willig</td>
<td>Sweden</td>
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<td>Anna Kain Wyatt</td>
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There were altogether 14 Delegates with the right to vote.

7. Verifying the authority of the meeting

The authority of the meeting was verified. As it states in the Article 11 of the Constitution: “The AGM is held every year before 1st of May. To make valid resolutions, elections or take action, 3 (three) General Members, the President and an other Board Member must be in attendance and the meeting has to be convened as defined in the AGM working format. The majority of delegates must not be board members of IFHOHYP”. These criteria was fulfilled and therefore the meeting was verified.
8. Approval of the Agenda of the meeting
The Agenda was approved by all delegates with an addition of presentation of EFHOH by Jan Lamby, point 19.1.

9. Approval of the Minutes of the AGM 2008
The Minutes of the AGM 2008 were accepted by all delegates.

Karina Chupina presented the Annual Report 2008. It was approved by all delegates.

Christi Oost-Menheere presented the Financial Report of 2007. It could not be approved last year, because the Auditor could not check the receipts. Now everything is fine. The Financial Report of 2007 was approved by all delegates.

Because the Auditor Ulrike Haase was not present, Christi Oost-Menheere presented the Auditor's Report 2007.

Christi Oost-Menheere presented the Financial Report of 2008 and answered questions. It was approved by all delegates.

The Auditor, Claudio Nicita presented the Auditor's Report. He said that it was much better than last year.

15. Presentation and approval of the Plan of Action for 2009
Karina Chupina presented the Plan of Action for 2009 and answered questions. The Plan of Action was approved by all delegates.

16. Presentation and approval of the Budget for 2009
Christi Oost-Menheere presented the Budget for 2009 and answered questions. It was approved by a single majority.
17. Election of the Members of the Board
   a) Vice-President is normally elected for 2 years, but Maria Lopez Garcia resigned in the middle of her term due to work related reasons, so the vice president is now elected for one year. There was only one candidate, Noora Penttinen. She got 12 votes, 2 were blank. Noora was elected.
   b) Secretary is elected for two years. There was only one nomination, Lianne de Jonge. She got 14 votes and was elected.
   c) Treasurer is elected for two years. There was only one nomination, Christi Oost-Menheere. Christi got 13 votes, one was blank. She was elected.
   d) Board Member is elected for two years. There were three candidates, James Aniyamuzala from Uganda, Carlos Muncharaz from Spain and Fredric Sagen from Norway. All had time to present themselves. The voting procedure was explained. Carlos got 3 votes, Fredric 5 and James 6. James was elected to be the new Board Member.

18. Election of the Auditor
   The Auditor is chosen for one year. There was only one nomination, Anna Vita Ross. Because Vita can not be the vote counter during this vote, Rasmus Ståbis Blomvik did the duty for her. Vita got 8 votes, 6 were left blank. Vita was chosen to be the Auditor.

19.1. Presentation of EFHOH
   Jan Lamby did presentation about EFHOH. He spoke about EFHOH's work in the EDF, about the new directive of the EU, and about their work towards the standardization of services concerning hearing aids.

19. Election of the Committees
   Karina explained how the committees work.
   a) Communication committee: responsible board member Christi, coordinator Juraj Variny, members Akram Muhammad, Hanh Duong Phuongh, Carlos Mucharaz, James Ferguson, Andrea Pietrini, Andrea Sabova
   b) English Language Course committee: responsible board member Lianne de Jonge, coordinator Maria Lopez Garcia, members James Ferguson
   c) Research Project committee: responsible board member Karina Chupina, coordinator Aleksandar Bogdanovic, members Irina Stojanovic, Rinne Oost
d) Nomination committee: responsible board member Noora Penttinen, coordinator Ulrike Haase, members Sanne Osterkamp, Rasmus Ståbis Blomvik

e) Constitution committee: responsible board member James Aniyamuzaala, coordinator Sanne Osterkamp, members Fredric Sagen

f) Political & lobbying committee: responsible board member Karina Chupina, coordinator ?, members James Aniyamuzaala, Fredric Sagen, Juraj Variny, Andrea Sabova

20. Deciding on the Strategy for IFHOHYP

The draft strategic plan was approved as it is now. It will be adopted for dissemination to member organizations and after their comments a final version will be written by the end of this year.

21. Membership fee for 2010

According to the Constitution, the membership fees have to be defined during the AGM. Christi Oost-Menheere presented the criteria for membership fee. The membership fees will be reviewed accordingly with the World Bank Data (July each year). For the membership fee 2010 is based on the income of the countries according to the World Bank data (July 2008). The lower middle income and low income pay the same amount. For the first year members pay half price. National organisations pay the maximum, regional organisations only 50%. The amount is rounded up to 5€. In the table 2, the determination of the membership fee is given. The membership fee for 2010 was approved.

Table 2 Determination of membership fee 2010

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<th>2010</th>
<th>Average $</th>
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<td>high income</td>
<td>€ 11.456,00</td>
<td>100,00%</td>
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<td>upper middle income</td>
<td>€ 7.580,50</td>
<td>66,17%</td>
<td>€ 132,34</td>
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<td>lower middle income</td>
<td>€ 2.320,50</td>
<td>20,26%</td>
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<td>low income</td>
<td>€ 935,00</td>
<td>8,16%</td>
<td>€ 16,32</td>
<td>€ 45,00</td>
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a) Summer Camps:
   2010 Switzerland
   2011 The Netherlands
   2012 location to be decided

b) Annual General Meetings:
   2010 The Netherlands 1st of April to 5th of April 2010
   2011 Norway
   2012 Serbia
23. **Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

24. **Closing the AGM 2009**

The chairperson closed the AGM at 16.00.

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Rinne Oost     Noora Penttinen
Chairperson     Secretary

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Sanne Osterkamp    Juraj Variny
Inspector of the Minutes   Inspector of the Minutes