

Quorum 31

FEPTO

XV GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Saturday 4th April, 2009 Ghent/Belgium

AGENDA

1. Opening the General Assembly - Chair person Jutta Fürst. Opening and welcome. Celia Scanlan clarified what constitutes a quorum.
2. Appointment of facilitator and secretary – Jutta Fürst facilitator & Celia Scanlan secretary proposed by Horatiu Nil Albini
3. Appointment of 2 members to check the minutes – Judith Teszáry & Leandra Perrotta
4. Establishment of the quorum - The required number is 31 members there were 40 present.
5. Appointment on vote counters – Peter John Schouten & Arşaluys Kayir
6. Approval of the agenda of GA – Accepted unanimously
7. Approval of the Bearsden General Assembly minutes – Accepted unanimously
8. Voting for new members – Representatives of applying institutes asked to make themselves available near to the assembly room should they be required to clarify an issue. Horatiu explained that Yaacov Naor who is a founding member has a right to stay in the assembly during the discussion of the first 5 applicants.

Voting outcome;

London Centre for Group and Individual Psychodrama Psychotherapy, UK

– For 69; Abstentions 0; Against 0

Psychodrama Institut für Europa / Landesverband Deutschland - PIfE-LvD

- For 64; Abstentions 2; Against 5

Gábor Pintér joined the assembly he held 2 votes for his institute therefore total number of votes became 71

LapStreur Social Engineering. Education and Development of Psychodrama for Therapy and Training, Netherlands
- For 69; Abstentions 0; Against 2

Institute "Ouvertures, Développement, Formation" ODeF, Switzerland
- For 68; Abstentions 2; Against 1

Kibbutzim College of Education, Israel
- For 68; Abstentions 3; Against 0

Intermodal Psychodrama and Arts Therapy Centre, ISIS, Israel
- For 66; Abstentions 3; Against 0

All institutes accepted.

9. Re-establishing the quorum to include new institutes
10. Report of the Executive Council
 - a. Chair persons report – Jutta Fürst reminded the assembly her report had been published in FN She acknowledged her feeling of being very much supported by Horatiu Nil Albini the vice president and all of the council members and that much useful work had been completed by email and Skype.
 - b. Treasurer's report: account of 2008 – Chantal presented the accounts as published in FN. Accounts for 2008 – 9 Accepted. Proposed budget 2009 -2010 accepted with no abstentions and no objections.
11. Auditors' report/Approval of the revised accountancy. Report read by Nel Bax accepted with no objection or abstentions. The assembly voted to re-appoint Nel Bax and Hans Verdonschot to serve as auditors for 2009. They are in agreement to undertake this task.
12. Discharge of the Executive Council – Agreed unanimously.
13. Budget 2009 – approved
14. The assembly paid tribute to our colleague Rainer Bosselmann. Agnes Dudler led this tribute and spoke of the pain of the last few months of his life. She acknowledged the strength he found from the many messages sent by the membership. Poetry readings were given in German by Agnes and in English by Anna Chesner. The memorial ended with the assembly singing
15. Reports of the chairs of the committees
 - a. Training Committee report

Zoran Djuric reported that we now only have 3 institutes who do not meet the standards. They must decide if they wish to try to achieve this. A suggestion from the floor that these institutes might have associate status. Zoran spoke of his hopes to move forward to establish an understanding of the quality of training and that the committee hope to continue the work of Pierre Fontaine who has done much work for the training standards. Renée asked can we find a way to measure the competence of the trainers. Göran Högberg suggested we might develop a step by step training manual. Judith Teszáry asked what a trainee is supposed to do at end of training. Norbert Apter asked how do we assess the personality of a trainee for admission, Sirkku asked who is the committee? She had thought she was in the committee but has had no contact all year. Dimo asked is the committee a voted committee.

Zoran now plans to form a formal committee. Natasha said she thinks some committees are too informal we should move forward in a formal manner. Roberto asked for clarification of Sirkku question. It appears that in this past year he has had consultation with Pierre Fontaine and some advice from the council. Gretel had no knowledge of this working and feels she and others are forgotten members. Norbert Apter said he felt it was bizarre that non members can serve on a committee. Anna Chesner clarified that she knew she was not a member. Maurizio Gasseau shared that when he was chair of Ethics he felt it was important if someone attend a meeting then Chair should get email contact with that person. We need the group of FEPTO to work and not to rely on Pierre Fontaine. Norbert Busse. We should not discuss the style of the Chair in the GA as we cannot move forward. Judith proposed a working plan of a committee and submit the result at GA. Roberto asked what should we do with those who do not comply with MTS? Should they still be in the Federation? Eva talked of the attempt to be both structured and friendly. Horatiu talked of the council's discussion. They should have one year to try to comply and we will plan to meet with these institutes to see if they wish/need help from us to comply. Only chairs of committees are elected membership of a committee is voluntary. He said that some of the committees are as long distance runners. Dimo wanted to give support to the idea of giving structure to a committee. Renée spoke of Gestalt and that they accredited and those who could not meet the standard became associates. Zoran I said we voted for the council not for chairs. Maybe candidates for the council should be elected for what they can bring to the council.

- b. Research Committee report – Gabriela Moita – Invited the members of her committee to come on stage. She demonstrated how many people have been involved with the committee and said that many more are involved. She demonstrated told how they had grown. She talked of the Bearsden meeting with Robert Elliot and how this had grown until a meeting in Edinburgh in February. They decided form that meeting to train the trainers to be able to train trainees to do research. The tools will be translated into other languages. Research programmes have started. Next meeting in Catania May 2009. Monica asked about the possibility of universities paying for research training programmes.
- c. Ethics Committee report – Arsa presented her committee they have 10. Described that they have been working on changes they need in the codes and these will be voted on later in the GA. We have agreed in the council that all members should

agree with the Ethic Code of FEPTO and we invite institutes to make a link from their website to the site of FEPTO's Ethical Code. Arsa will publish in May FN points to remind us. Such as the need to teach ethics to our trainees. Marsha asked are we set up to accept a complaint from a member of one of our members. Judith clarified that complaints should go to the member country and that we are there for advice only.

- d. European Affairs Committee report Celia invited Judith to join her as the only current member. Celia acknowledged the work of Pierre Fontaine who has given much help and advice to the committee. However Celia said that there is much work to be done and this is made very difficult with so few people to help. This year they have attended 2 EAP meetings and been involved in scrutinising one successful ECP applicant and in giving advice to another applicant who did not meet all of the requirements.
- e. Network Committee report Yaacov Naor asked for people to join to find a way to encourage exchange for trainees. Zoran Ilic reported on the network group which has been meeting regularly for 2 years It is a closed group and needs to continue as such but they invite others to form similar groups. Yaacov thanked Peter John & the LOC for the subject of this AM He also invited Maurizio and Melinda to come on stage and invited them to form such a networking group for Peace. Maurizio reported that they have now been meeting twice a year. They are asking to be a formal committee. This will be dealt with in the voting. Maurizio felt that this would be in the spirit of Moreno.
- f. Annual Meeting committee report – Agnes. This is an ad hoc committee; Hilde Gött will take the chair for Agnes tomorrow for the formation of the new committees as she herself cannot be present. Agnes acknowledged the work of Jutta and Horatiu and the LOC during the period last autumn when she was not able to be available. Stefan will collect the voices tomorrow and pass them to Agnes. She raised the question of the cost of AM and should this increase? She encourages individuals to fill out registration form well and particularly the name of the institute they represent. Jutta report the council have discussed who should attend. Do we continue to grow or do we limit the number of representatives? Agnes talked of the need to join the AM committee to look at formalising the advice and experience of previous LOCs.
- g. Membership Committee report – Dana invited Inci to join her in recognition of her work and handover and Monica for her advice. .
Jutta suggested questions should be asked within committees
- h. Newsletter Committee and Website report – Horatiu reported he has reduced the cost of FN. on the downloading of the archives of FN. The next issue will be May. There has been a new layout for 2009. Horatiu has contacted editors of newsletters and is looking towards a European Journal.
Horatiu stressed the payment in the budget is payment to the professional help received. There are 7 languages available and for the future we are looking to present the final dissertation of trainees which have been approved by the committee

16. Proposals for the Ghent GA

- a. Research Committee proposal – Gabriela spoke to this. Zoran Ilic said we need to first learn for ourselves before we teach others. Eva suggested it could be a recommendation. Agreement it is too early to vote on this. Melinda suggested we are rushing though decisions when we are too tired and these are too important to treat them as such. Agreed unanimously to accept the recommendation to work toward this.
- b. Network Committee proposal – Yaacov suggested we recognise the Peace Committee as a Task Force for Peace. 39 for 25 against. 11 abstentions. Accepted.
- c. Membership Committee proposal – do not pay fees. 3 honorary members currently should they have a right to not pay their membership fees. Accepted no abstentions no objections. Thanks from Gretel who was present.
- d. Ethics Committee proposal – The council were prepared to vote Maurizio intervened and suggested it deserved more thought. Agnes suggested we should make an initial vote and revisit next year. Marcia quoted BPA's experience and how difficult it became when they accepted too soon. Stefan proposed we accept in principal. Melinda suggested we vote as a suggested guideline, Celia in support suggested "working Document". This was accepted with no objections and no abstentions.
- e. Maurizio said that he had made a proposal that the peace group should be a committee of FEPTO. The council have discussed and felt that this could be a sub group of Network. Melinda supported Judith's proposed that we recognise the task force for peace and conflict resolution as part of FEPTO. Accepted.
- f. Council proposal – Celia explained our lack of procedure and the intention of the council to make a procedure. We agreed to hold the proposal for Ella Mae until next year.
We do not have a procedure for how honorary members are proposed so now we shall produce a procedure and hold current proposal till we this document is agreed.

17. Date and place of the next Annual Meeting Serbian Team presented. Dates 19th – 26th April 2010 which includes a post conference.

18. Any other business

19. Closure of the meeting

Celia Scanlan
FEPTO Secretary