



Meeting of the Executive Board Friday 13 April 2012 10:00-12:00

Venue

The Danish College of General Practitioners, Copenhagen

Participants

Gisle Roksund, Torsten Sørensen, Thorarinn Ingolfsson, Karin Träff Nordström, Lars Gehlert Johansen, Marit Hermansen, Pekka Honkanen, Bernd Sengpiel, Elise Kosunen, Peter Vedsted, Dorte Toftdahl Nielsen, Tina Malene Pedersen (referent)

MINUTES

Gisle Roksund gave the welcome and the meeting started with a short presentation of the members.

1. Election of chair of the meeting

Gisle Roksund was appointed as chair of the meeting.

2. Appointment of person to take minutes of the meeting

Tina Malene Pedersen was appointed to take the minutes.

3. Approval of the agenda

Presentation of the new website will be idiom 5.

Idiom 7 “New contract with Informa” will include account and budget.

The agenda was hereafter approved.

4. Briefing on NFGP to newcomers and an outline of the meetings

Gisle Roksund briefed shortly about the outline of the meetings and stated that NFGP's main tasks is to ensure that the work of SJPHC and Nordic Congresses are well performed, and to ensure that the editorial board and the congress committee currently keep the journal and the congress in a high international standard.

5. Presentation of the new website www.nfgp.org

Torsten Sørensen presented the new website.

The members were asked to consider and individually discuss if the Executive Board, the Editorial Board and the Congress Committee need a closed room (intranet) at the website to save e.g. minutes from the meetings, log book and evaluations. The Executive Boards

immediately came to a position that this topic was difficult to keep an interactive intranet and also that the minutes should be public. The final decision about this will be taken up at the General Assembly.

Peter Vedsted, SJPHC, informed that the authors already are working via the new website where they submit abstracts online and via the “Open electronic access” where there is free access for everybody to see all journals published since 1983.

It was suggested and approved that the Chairmen of the Nordic Colleges are encouraged to use the website to inform about breaking news.

Further suggestions for the website:

Links to Wonca Europe/Wonca World and to the unions' websites (+ Greenland).

Vision and mission will be listed in the menu.

Tina Pedersen will see to it that the old website is closed as soon as possible (runs until 30.6.2012).

The five Nordic Chairmen will ensure that the links at NFGP.org for their websites are correct.

The five Nordic Colleges were requested to link to NFGP.org at their websites and highlight it in their magazines. It was also suggested that SJPHC in one of the next editions submits an editorial about NFGP to refresh the federation and also to present the website.

6. Vision and mission for NFGP

Currently the vision and mission for NFGP are:

- Ensure that the congresses and SJPHC keep high common Nordic professional standards and profile; and establish a professionally fruitful collaboration between them.
- Build up a logistic experience of the Nordic Congresses and strengthen the colleges' joint responsibility for issuing the SJPHC and for organizing and arranging the Nordic Congresses.
- Develop and maintain a sound financial situation for the SJPHC and for the Nordic Congresses, and in this connection develop and implement common guidelines regarding sponsorship of the congresses without including the medical industry.

Lars Gehlert Johansen (DK) suggested that making documents like the Svalbard document (http://nfgp.org/flx/nfgp/seminar_of_general_practice/) could be a fourth vision.

Final decision about the vision and mission will be taken at the General Assembly.

7. New contract with the publisher Informa

Torsten Sørensen examined the account for 2011, the revised budget for 2012 and the new budget for 2013. There will be a small deficit this year (-23.736 DKK), which will be covered by the equity (2011: 653.181 DKK).

As the colleges continue to have less paper versions the royalties from the publisher will fall in the coming years, which mean that the result will continue to show a deficit. Therefore NFGP must decide at the General Assembly 2012 if:

- The colleges will pay 300.000 editorial costs for 2012 (another 200.000 DKK more than earlier decided) and 400.000 DKK for 2013. The different amounts will be estimated according to the number of members for each college.

The yearly amount for copying and distribution is 309.000 NOK.

At the General Assembly 2013, NFGP must decide if:

- They will continue with paper versions or only have an electronic version after 2014, which is the year for negotiating a new contract.
- They will continue with Informa as the publisher or make a contract with a new publisher.

Peter Vedsted and Torsten Sørensen will invite Informa and chosen publishers to bid and prepare a presentation of the different scenarios for the next spring meeting. The Chairmen will discuss the issue by their Boards, academies and Members.

8. Presentation of the agenda of the annual general assembly and discussion of the separate items

Issues to be discussed at the General Assembly from the congress committee and the editorial board:

- Discussion of the congress fee for NFGP (Elise Kosunen)
- Invitation to the five colleges in turn to write an editorial for SJPHC to raise important issues in general medicine to be further discussed (Peter Vedsted).

Issues to be discussed from the executive board:

- A common Nordic document of preventive medicine.
- Wonca Europe conference 2016.
- New meeting structure.