

MINUTES EAUN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Stockholm

Location: Stockholmsmässan
Room: Room A12
Date: Monday, 14 April 2014
Time: 13.15 – 13.45 hrs.

Attendance: 63 delegates attended the AGM

		DECISIONS
1.	Welcome by the chair	
	- The chair thanks all for attending the AGM and sums up the meeting in Stockholm as 'a great couple of days'. The chair invites the members to give their comments to the board at the AGM or on Twitter.	
2.	Approval of the Minutes AGM 2011	
	- Vote: 100% in favour. - The minutes are accepted without comments.	ACCEPTED
3.	Formal installation of new chair and members	
	<p>Changes on the board</p> <p>- This year Mr. Lawrence Drudge-Coates is on for election to take over the chair from Mrs. Kate Fitzpatrick and the board has decided to start a mentorship for new chairs to improve the continuity. Mrs. Jensen is stepping down as board member, but will be in the wings. She worked extremely hard and has been very inspirational to the board. There is no new candidate for the function of Chair elect as yet.</p> <p><i>Lawrence Drudge-Coates:</i> He is a clinical nurse specialist and works in London and has been involved in urology both clinically and strategically since 1994. He currently manages prostate cancer patients from initial referral to advanced disease, with a specific interest clinically and research wise in bone metastases. In addition he manages bladder cancer as a nurse cystoscopist.</p> <p>Two new members will be installed in the board. The new board members introduce themselves so the members can get to know them more :</p> <p><i>Erica Grainger:</i> Works as a nurse at the urology department in Arhus, she has been in the urological field for 17 years, and is specialised in kidney cancer, bladder dysfunction, and benign urological conditions. Educates nurses and introduces new staff. She is also responsible for documentation and has worked with quality assurance projects.</p> <p><i>Giulia Villa:</i> She has become a tutor nurse after having worked for 3 years in urological department, at the moment she is mainly active in teaching and urology nursing research on e.g. UTI, prostate cancer, bladder cancer, urinary diversion, nutrition, and robotic surgery.</p>	

	<p>I applied for board membership because it is a great opportunity for exchange with other nurses from Europe, and ultimately improve clinical practice for our patients.</p> <p>Election of chair, past chair and 2 new board members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does the membership accept Erica Grainger as chair for a 2-year term: Vote: 100% in favour. - Does the membership accept Kate Fitzpatrick as past chair for a 2-year term: Vote: 100% in favour. - Does the membership accept Erica Grainger as board member for 3-year term: Vote: 100% in favour. - Does the membership accept Giulia Villa as board member for 3-year term: Vote: 100% in favour. <p>Welcome to the board!</p>	<p>ACCEPTED</p> <p>ACCEPTED</p> <p>ACCEPTED</p> <p>ACCEPTED</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>The report of the chair with presentation of the achievements of 2013/2014</p>	
	<p>Annual Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We hope you have all enjoyed the congress and will give good feedback in the questionnaire afterwards. - Recently we have installed a Scientific Congress Office (SCO): Stefano Terzoni (Chair), Bente Thoft Jensen (DK), Lisette Van der Bilt (NL), Rita Willener (CH), Jerome Marley (IE), tasked with designing the congress content. The reason for this change is that much time in board meetings has been spent on the congress, so there is now more room for further development. <p>The audience is asked to send their ideas for the next congress to the central office.</p> <p>June 2014 post-EAUN meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you return to your country and you can organise to get your local nurses together to pass on some of the sessions of the congress, we would be happy to support that with material or even speakers. <p>Special Interest Groups (SIG)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the next AGM we can expect to have a report from the SIG on Bladder cancer and they will also give their input in the SCO. - Each SIG group feeds back to the board via their contact person in the board. Everybody is enthusiastic. <p>Guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Guidelines panel worked tirelessly on the new guideline. This work is particularly time consuming due to the scientific rigour with which it has to be done. There are new regulations on evidence-based guidelines since 2009. - So far all EAUN guidelines have been accepted in the National Clearinghouse. But after 5 years they have to be updated and have to comply with the new, even more strict guidelines for evidence-based guidelines. Literature syntheses, advantages and harms of nursing interventions have to be included. Currently a panel is working on a guideline for intravesical instillations. - The board is also looking into the future in which we will need a second person responsible for guidelines. This person will need substantial experience with guidelines development to solidify the scientific basis of our guidelines for the future. <p>Education and accreditation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Accredited online education</i> 	

A productive meeting has taken place in Stockholm with Ulster University. This is an exciting time since the University of Ulster is re-evaluating their nursing programme. We are discussing a platform to have various level education easily available online.

- Live meetings

We are also involved in the ERUS meeting which includes a nursing day on robotics. The meeting will take place in September 2014 in Amsterdam.

- Hands-on training courses

We aim to repeat the cystoscopy course in Madrid, because it was a great success. This year there were technical issues.

- Bone health course

Of our online Bone health course 113 modules were completed, and there were over 300 unique views of this course.

The development of the course was a learning curve with some technical hiccups.

- Study day

At the board meeting last Friday the board discussed and started planning various options for a European course.

Before May 2015 we want to have something ready. It's not decided yet whether the topic will be benign or malignant.

6. Long-term Strategy and Budget

Our long-term strategy is mainly directed at: Membership development, Congress development, Guidelines development, Fellowships / Education Grants, Education - European School of Urology Nursing, Accreditation / Certification, Research / development multi-professional and Sponsoring development.

Membership

The membership is currently 1805 members from 25 countries (of which 10 are non-European). The following 9 national urology nurses societies have an online group membership with the EAUN: Belgium, Denmark, Iceland, Ireland, Finland, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland. Fees for groups are between 100 and ± 500 euro per group per year. Membership of two groups had to be cancelled as they were not responding to our communications.

Fellowships

We have a programme for fellowships in hospitals abroad. The applicant can choose from 6 hospitals, and the length of stay is 1 or 2 weeks. It is possible to apply for a fellowship for more than 1 person at the time. A fellowship can also be used for research or projects. It is available for members with a minimum of 2 years membership. Please inform your colleagues about our fellowship offer, because there are often places available.

Finances

- The current budget is 25,000 per year, not including congress and office cost. This is not an enormous amount, compared to the things we would like to achieve, so we have to be careful.
- Paula is building profile of meetings we should have one representative at. Or for more strategically important meetings to have a board member there.
- EAU is leaving the strategic decisions totally up to the board, and we can

	<p>therefore invest in the projects we find important.</p> <p>Sponsoring This is very much work in progress. The number of companies interested / involved in sponsoring the EAUN Meeting is rising. A corporate sponsoring programme has been launched to offer to companies. More in particular the interest in supporting the EAUN guidelines development with educational grants is rising. The interest to support social events is diminishing.</p> <p>Cooperation with other organisations - ESNO movement on labour forces, we have to watch what is going on. E.g. the ESNO, we are getting more involved with that.</p> <p>- EAU Patient information: For the third time nurses have been involved in the development of the patient material. This is now online at http://patients.uroweb.org/</p> <p>- EORNA: We are working on a stronger connection with the Operating Room nurses and it is the intention that a larger part of our congress will be dedicated to topics relevant for operating room nurses.</p> <p>Networking In June the next Board meeting will take place in Noordwijk, the Netherlands, where the EAU executive, board and scientific committee is also meeting, and where also an EAU meeting will take place with national societies representatives and the EAUN board will be able to network.</p> <p>Our aspirations are the same, and the board has worked more efficiently in the last board meetings.</p>	
8.	Report on the meeting of the board with the presidents of national societies in Milan on Saturday	
	<p>Report on the meeting of the board with the presidents of national societies in Stockholm last Saturday</p> <p>Ten societies joined the meeting this year, some with more than one representative. The meeting was very informal, but we had a good meeting with room for questions and exchange of plans.</p>	
9.	Subjects for the next Congress in 2015 in Madrid	
	Please let Hanneke or a board or SCO member know should you have an idea for a session in Madrid.	
10.	Proposals from the members	
	- There were no further proposals	
11.	Closure	
	- Thank you for attending the AGM!	