

Minutes

General Assembly

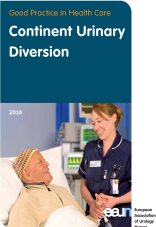
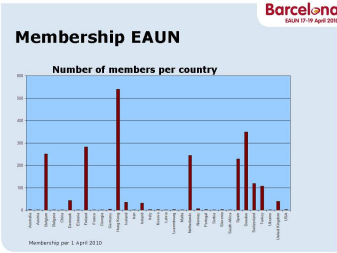
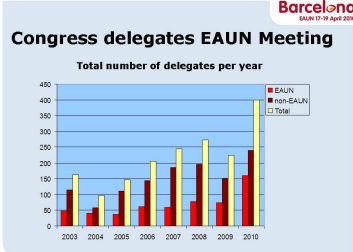
19 April 2010

09.15-09.45

Board Attendees:

Jensen	Bente Thoft	<i>Chair</i>	Haase	Ulli	<i>Minutes</i>
De Blok	Willem		Pieters	Ronny	
		Lurvink	Hanneke		

		Decisions
1. Welcome by the chair		
	The chair welcomes the members and remarks this has been a remarkable year, and this is a remarkable congress. Although it was a bit chaotic at first the board managed to present the main programme. Over the whole range of activities one can say the EAUN really achieved a lot this year.	
2. Installation of members		
	Board members Tina Christiansen and Kate Fitzpatrick are not here due to the consequences of the volcanic ashes.	
	- Julio De La Torre Montero , was the local board representative from the congress venue country in the past year and is thanked for doing a good job. Spain is now also a group member, and we will be happy to keep in touch with Julio, Spain has lot to offer EAUN and v.v. For Vienna we are in contact with Prof. Madersbacher who advised in finding a nurse for temporary board membership in the year before the meeting in Vienna.	
	- Willem De Blok , who substituted Ulli Haase and was a temporary board member last year candidated for a first term board membership: Approved: 5 in favour, 0 against (100%)	ACCEPTED
	- Veronika Geng , who unfortunately could not be here due to sickness, has candidated for a second term: Approved : 9 in favour, 0 against (100%)	ACCEPTED
Fellowship rules change		
	Voting on the change of the rules for Fellowship (dd June 2009). You have to be a member for 2 years before you can apply for fellowship. The change in the Fellowship programme is approved: 9 in favour, 0 against (100%)	ACCEPTED
	If you're interested, the chair advises to discuss the EAUN Fellowship offer in your department: it's a good offer, take the folder home or look at the website, and consider the opportunity.	
3. Minutes General Assembly 2009		
	The minutes of last year's General Assembly were accepted. Vote: 100% in favour, 0% against	ACCEPTED
4. Report of the chair - achievements of 2009/2010		
	EAUN organisation	
	- The Education and accreditation group is chaired by R. Pieters, former board member	
	- J. Marley is advisor to the board.	
	- The assistance from the central EAU office came mainly from H. Lurvink, H. Beuving and J. De Vries. They've done a very good job this year.	

	<p>Guidelines</p> <p>For the first time this year an EAUN Guideline has been included in the US Clearinghouse database. We're very proud of this achievement. It concerned the guideline that was introduced to the members last year, and we hope this year's guideline will also be accepted. We hope the TRUS biopsy guideline we're making will also be accredited by the Clearinghouse. There is no guideline on this topic yet. In the coming year we will start revising the first guideline of the EAUN.</p>  <p>The guidelines are available in the back of the meeting room, and members receive the new guideline after the congress.</p>	
	<p>Membership</p> <p>The membership number is now 2,307!</p> <p>The chair mentions it feels like a family; "We're all very dedicated to urology nursing."</p> <p>As a result of the online group membership offer the EAUN have been able to increase the membership to this high number. The members come from 27 different countries, of which 6 are non-European.</p>  <p>Some countries are now very highly represented in the membership, such as Finland, Hong Kong, Turkey, Belgium, etc (see slide). The chair (from Denmark) hopes the membership from Denmark will soon rise too. The chair welcomes the new group members from Belgium, Spain, Turkey, Finland, Ireland and Hong Kong. Our board members Kate and Tina were invited to Hong Kong. They were impressed with how much their association have developed in a short time.</p>	
	<p>Meeting participation</p> <p>There also was an enormous rise in meeting participation in this year to over 400.</p> <p>Sadly not more than 100-200 nurses could reach Barcelona.</p> <p>The board is a little bit disappointed obviously.</p> 	
	<p>Abstracts</p>	
	<p>The number of submitted abstracts (38) was lower than it has been in the past, but that was when the abstracts were not screened very strict and doctor abstracts still slipped through. Fortunately, the level of the abstracts is improving.</p>	
	<p>@EAUNews</p>	
	<p>This year the EAUN released the 2-monthly electronic newsletter. Group members have an electronic agreement, and the electronic newsletter is designed to provide them with the same news as the full members. The electronic newsletter is also mailed to the full members because the electronic format has the advantage of speed and easy access to interesting information via</p>	

	links in the newsletter, and saves paper and postage costs.	
	Qualifications database	
	When you become a member you will be invited to indicate your skills and interests in the Qualifications survey. With this big number it's impossible to know everyone personally, but your details will be saved in a database. The EAUN are very interested in this information because the members should determine the profile of the EAUN.	
5.	Cooperation with other organisations	
	<p>- There is a cooperation with the European Oncology Nursing Society (EONS) and the European Group for Blood & Marrow Transplantation nurses group (EBMT). You may have been invited for the Nurse Survey on we send out this year.</p> <p>- The cooperation with the Society for Urologic Nurses and Associates (SUNA) USA, resulted amongst others in valuable advise. E.g. they had the same problems with the travel distance for meetings, for which they found a solution we would have never thought of.</p> <p>- EAUN is involved in the Global Alliance of Urology Nurses (GAUN): we are in favour of more contact with other societies to help each other improve care.</p> <p>- There were several invitations from companies for expert boards to debate different disciplines for which we recommended members.</p> <p>- Skeletal Care Academy A publication was made on bisphosphonates, which will hopefully be published in the spring of 2010. Physicians and nurses are in the nurse advice group of the Skeletal Care Academy. They discussed an educational programme at the meeting in Paris in the beginning of March, which will be rolled out on a European level in several languages. Target group: nurses in advanced prostate care. There are a lot of challenges and unmet needs in advanced prostate cancer care. Both in home care and in hospital care. There is no evidence yet on what the best way is to meet the needs.</p> <p>- Europa Uomo, an advocacy movement for the fight against prostate cancer. The EAUN signed the Prostate Initiative Call to Action of Europa Uomo and Prof. Denis, secretary of Europa Uomo, spoke in the EAUN workshop on Prostate Cancer here in Barcelona.</p> <p>- Urology Week, 13-17 September 2010 This EAU initiative started for nurses in 2008. Contact Lindy Brouwer for material and ideas for national or local activities at l.brouwer@uroweb.org There is promotional material available and it can also be translated for you free of charge. This year it takes place on 13-17 September 2010.</p> <p>- Relation with the EAU The board members get questions sometimes on why the EAUN is not independent. The EAUN are independent, but get advice and support from the EAU; they are proud of the EAUN and hopefully they will continue to support us.</p>	
	Masterplan, growth targets and budget	
	We have achieved almost all in our plan for 2008-2013. Maybe that is why I think	

	<p>I've been busy in the past year...</p> <p>Accreditation What we have not achieved yet is accreditation; we want to develop this carefully. We would like to hear from you if you have experience or ideas. The reason the EAUN Board thinks we need to organise accreditation is not because doctors have it but because we think it will benefit the nurses to have it. Benefits are: Recognition (training and work in clinical practice that went from doctor to nurses should be recognized), create awareness, follow trends, being on the forefront.</p> <p>Sponsoring J. De Vries and P. Hazenberg (EAU and EAUN Marketing & Sales) have done a tremendous job. The slide shows the many companies that are interested in and supported the EAUN activities this year.</p> <div data-bbox="874 613 1225 875" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>EAUN and sponsoring Barcelona <small>EAUN 17-19 April 2010</small></p> <p>Development</p> <p>Milan Meeting 2008: 4 sponsors, Total € 23,000 Stockholm Meeting 2009: 7 sponsors, Total € 58,000</p> <p>Barcelona Meeting 2010: 9 sponsors, Total € 69,000</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AstraTech AB: Symposium, showcase • Amgen: Awards, Registration grant, PCa workshop • Astellas: PCa workshop • Coloplast: Showcase • Ferring Pharmaceuticals: Research award, PCa Workshop • GE Healthcare: Breakfast Symposium • Hollister Incorporated: Symposium • Novartis Oncology: Symposium • Orion Pharma: Lunch Symposium <p>• 2010 Good Practice in Health Care, 4 sponsors: Amgen, AstraTech AB, AstraZeneca, Novartis</p> </div>	
6.	<p>Report on the National Societies Meeting</p>	
	<p>The meeting has taken place last Friday (17 April) and participation was also affected by the volcano. We will send out minutes to the members and all national societies as soon as possible.</p>	
7.	<p>Subjects for the next Congress in 2011 in Vienna</p>	
	<p>The board starts planning from today, so let us know what you would like to see and hear in Vienna.</p>	
8.	<p>Proposals from the members will be accepted at this time.</p>	
	<p>No proposals</p>	
9.	<p>Other business</p>	
	<p>No comments</p>	
10.	<p>Final remarks</p>	
	<p>We have progressed from good to great, but we can still do better. I have talked enough about how great we are, but we do it for the members so please sign up for the activities. Your involvement could be to send the EAUN news for the online newsletter, join a guidelines group or share your experience with accreditation or education.</p> <p>The chair thanks everyone very much for coming, we'll see you in Vienna!</p>	