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Minutes of the EAPC General Assembly

Second call: 17:00 Tuesday 21 March 2000, Jerusalem Renaissance Hotel, Jerusalem, Israel

1. Stein Kaasa, the President of the EAPC, welcomed the participants to the General Assembly. 38 members were present at the second call, of those 20 were represented by proxies. The General Assembly started at 17:20.
2. The Minutes of the General Assembly held in Geneva 23 September 1999 were agreed.
3. There were no matters arising from the Minutes.
4. The President informed the Assembly that the Board had met to agree about the future policy and priorities that were welcomed by the GA. The 3 main areas of activities are:
 - The 4 existing Networks: The work of the Networks Education, Ethics, Policy and Public Health as the cornerstones of the EAPC shall be emphasised. The Networks shall be actively involved in the preparation of the Scientific Programme of the EAPC Conferences.
 - The biennial EAPC Conferences and smaller intermediate Conferences organised in the years in between, will be the occasion for all members to meet and exchange experience. The first intermediate Conference will be organised by the Research Network in December 2000.
 - The Means of Communication with the members including the official Journal, the Web site and the Newsletter will collaborate. For this reason the Editors of the EJPC will be part of the future meetings of the Board of Directors.
5. The financial report 1999, the update of the budget for 2000 and the budget for 2001 were presented by Heidi Blumhuber on behalf of the treasurer Silvio Necchi. She again drew attention to the increase in cost of running the Association and the increasing difficulty of raising funds to underwrite this. In spite of this thanks to the cautious administration and due to Dr. De Conno hosting the EAPC Head office in his Division of the National Cancer Institute, Milano, reserves have been accumulated during recent years. Thanks to an important contribution received by Kuoni following the Geneva Congress the financial report for 1999 presents a positive balance. Heidi Blumhuber officially thanked Charles Henri Rapin, Chairman of the Organising Committee for this contribution. She proposed that the reserves accumulated since 2000 should be used to cover any shortfall in 2000 if any of the anticipated income did not materialise. HB informed that the Board anticipated that the cost for the collaborations needed to run the head office and also the cost for the Website may be slightly higher than the amounts foreseen. The Budget was **agreed** unanimously. It was also unanimously **agreed** that the reserves may be used to cover any shortfall. The Budget 2001, which shall be reviewed for the next General Assembly April 2001 as **agreed** unanimously.
6. The member, Walter Teutsch presented the request to the Board to give more attention to the way of organising the proxy voting. Heidi Blumhuber asked if he would be prepared to help the Board members responsible for the organisation of the General Assembly and the proxy voting with his knowledge and experience. He agreed to join the working group. And to prepare a paper with the recommendations of how the GA and proxy voting should be organised. Heidi Blumhuber will put him in contact with the Board members in charge of the organisation.
7. The next General Assembly of the EAPC will be held during the 7th Congress of the EAPC, at the venue of the Congress in Palermo.



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