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Minutes of the EAPC General Assembly

Granada, Spain, IV Congress of the EAPC collective member Soc. Española de Cuidados Paliativos (SECPAL), Palacio de Congresos; Second call: Friday, 26 April 2002, at 15:00

- 1. Stein Kaasa, President of the EAPC, welcomed the participants to the General Assembly (hereafter GA). 277 members had paid their fee for the year 2002. 36 members were present at the second call, of those 24 attended personally and 12 were represented with proxies. The GA was quorate and started at 15.15.
- 2. The minutes of the GA held in held in Palermo, Italy Sunday 1 April 2001 were agreed.
- **3.** There were no matters arising from the Minutes.
- **4.** The Report from the President, Stein Kaasa, was approved (*Annex 1*).
- 5. Silvio Necchi (SN) presented the financial report 2001 (*Annex 2a and 2b*). The report showed a positive result due to an increase in income and less expenses than expected. The report was approved unanimously. It was agreed that the reserves accumulated may be used to cover any shortfall. Reserves accumulated should be maintained as high as the yearly cost for the Head office staff in order to guarantee the payment of salaries in case of decrease of income.
- **6.** SN presented the Budget 2002 (*Annex 3*). The budget includes a fix amount agreed to cover the salaries of the head office staff. The GA approved the budget 2002 unanimously.
- 7. SN informed the GA, that two Auditors of Accounts stood down from their office due to professional reasons, Dr. Longhini and Ersilia Todesca. The GA confirmed the nomination of Avv. Giuffrè Bruno Giovanni born in Milano the 11 January 1962, resident in Milano, Via Sant'Andrea n. 19, fiscal code GFF BNG 62A11 F295Y and of Dr. Converti Giuliana Maria, born in Auronzo di Cadore (BL) the 21 June 1970, resident in Milano, Via Guastalla n. 15 C.F. CNV GNM 70H61 A501P.
- **8.** Internal rules of the EAPC. The following Internal rules were approved:
 - Languages used within the EAPC were approved as distributed (*Annex 4*)
 - Updated procedures and conditions for associations to become EAPC collectively members were approved as distributed (*Annex 5*)
 - Internal rules for the Election of the EAPC Board of Directors, were approved with minor changes (*Annex 6*)
- **9.** The GA agreed to accept all five candidates who had paid their memberships fees for the election committee. Friedeman Nauck, Board member retiring for the year 2003, accepted to chair this committee. Michele Salamagne agreed to assist him in this task. The election committee will be composed of 7 members, who cannot stand for election to the next Board of Directors. The tasks of the committee were agreed. (*Annex 7*).
- **10.** Other Items
 - SK informed the GA that three Board members stood down at the Board meeting in Granada. The EAPC Board will nominate their substitutes according to the Art. 9 Paragraph 3 of the By-laws to stay in office until the GA April 2003.
 - Her Royal Highness, The Duchess of Kent stood down as Royal Patron of the EAPC.
 - The GA welcomed the decision of the Board to held a 3rd Congress on Research in the year 2004 in Milan, organised by Franco De Conno, chair of the Research Network.
 - Philippe Poulain forwarded to the GA the message of Daniel d'Herouville, President of the SFAP reiterating the importance the multi-disciplinarity, and the social multi-cultural and multi- lingual aspects of Palliative Care within the EAPC. (Annex 8).
- 11. The next General Assembly will be held at the Congress Centre in the Hague, the day prior to the 8th Congress, 2 April 2003. The President invites the members to visit the Web site about updates.



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