



**GENERAL BOARD Minutes**

Date: Wednesday 10 September 2008  
 Venue: Copenhagen  
 Secretariat: Ellen de Jong (02-08)

Present: List of participants

Nr	Agenda	Minutes
GB 17/08	Opening meeting	<p>The second General Meeting of 2008 of ESHA (European School Heads Association) took place in Copenhagen.</p> <p>The President, Chris Harrison, welcomes the members of the GB. He also expresses his thanks to Jørgen Christiansen and Jens Nielsen from Denmark who host this GB meeting.</p> <p>There is a short introduction round and a list of members present is going round.          The next GB meeting will be held in Dublin on 5 - 7 March 2009. (EB probably to arrive Wednesday evening - to be confirmed)</p>
GB 18/08	Minutes GB Utrecht – April 2008	<p>GB 10/08 Regional Conferences          Jaume Prat, Spain: there was no contact laid with the Basque Country.          GB 15/08 Newsletter:          Tim Geraghty and Clive Byrne will take up the responsibility to publish a newsletter twice a year. (Winter &amp; summer)          Minutes are set.</p>
GB 19/08	News Updates	<p>Reports from EB members activities:</p> <p>Ton Duif visited Israel this summer; Israel promised to be present in Dublin.          There are plans for a (regional) convention in Cyprus:          20 Palestinians/20 Bedouins – 20 Hebrew people.</p> <p>Chris Harrison addressed the European Parliament in Brussels in June: subject was Children’s health/Children’s Rights.          ESHA forms an integral part of a pact made for the well care of Children in Europe.</p> <p>Jorma Lempinen reports on the developments in the Baltic countries, which are becoming a growing market.</p> <p>Solveig Dahl and Jorma Lempinen visited the OECD conference. A summary from the work with the Improving School Leadership-project is on the website. Solveig Dahl also informed about the ethics/rules of education in the Nordic countries; these will be on the website when the work is completed.</p> <p>Burkhard Mielke visited the Balkan countries; his report will be on the ESHA website shortly.          Burkhard Mielke informed about the LISA project. One of the</p>

		<p>workshops in the ESHA-conference will be about this LISA-project.</p> <p>Burkhard organised a Regional (German speaking countries) Conference in Basel, which was a great success.</p>
GB 20/08	Financial Report	<p>Ton Duif reports: Financial report;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was less travel by EB members</li> <li>• Cash position is good; but there are still too many members that have not paid the contribution; in Utrecht the decision was made: not paid no voting rights.</li> <li>• The ESLN is finished, Brussels will accept the financial report; the good news is that ESHA will probably not have to pay.</li> </ul> <p>Subscriptions/invoices: Invoices have been sent out; the countries that still have not paid the contribution are known.</p> <p>Realisation of the 'pot': The rules are clear; please take good note of them. There are a few suggestions to raise the 'pot', like paying a levy of € 5 to € 20 to the contribution for international Conferences; the EB will discuss these further and get back to the GB.</p> <p>Irina expresses her thanks to the GB for making it possible for her delegation to be present. She excuses the Belarus delegation; they could not come this time.</p> <p>There is a generous offer from Clive Byrne to donate € 2,000 to make it possible for some countries to come to Dublin. It is met with applause.</p>
GB 22/08	Elections	<p>President elect: there is no nomination Chris Harrison proposes to carry this issue along to the GB meeting in Dublin. Annual member: Ian Bauckham is not present; Jane Lees reads his short presentation. Jean Luc Garcia holds his presentation and is elected annual member of the EB by 22 votes.</p> <p>Margret Roessler proposes to present a short proposal for the election. Jorma will prepare such a document. Antonino, Burkhard &amp; Chris will meet on this subject in the coming days.</p>
GB 23/08	Working conditions	<p>Jorma begins with the description of the process around the position paper since Bristol GB 2007. Solveig then presents the Vision paper, which was made out of the workshop input in Utrecht. There is some discussion about textual issues. It is decided that Jane Lees and Clive Byrne will go over the text to re-write the paragraphs. The final text will be presented in Dublin.</p>
GB 24/08	NCSL	<p>On Friday, Toby Salt will hold his presentation at the Conference; he will announce that all ESHA members will have</p>

		associate Membership of NCSL.
GB 26/08	Regionalisation programme	Ton Duif sent out a memo with the rules to apply for the sponsorship for regional conferences. There is a large amount of cash available (€ 25,000), please contact Chris or Ton before 1 January 2009 if you want to apply. The EB would like to see 2 conferences in the near future: one in Eastern Europe, and one in Southern Europe.
GB 21/08	2010 Conference	Chris Harrison sent out a letter with the rules to apply for the bi-annual conference. There are three countries: Iceland, Hungary and Cyprus. All three present their program; after the election procedure, Cyprus is elected as venue for the 2010 ESHA Conference.
		The ESHA President Chris Harrison closes the meeting at 21.30 PM, expressing his thanks to all present.