

**Minutes of the Eighth
Board Meeting
Business year 2014/2015;
March 4th, 2015
Skype, Online
Minutes taker: Vasily Bashutkin**

Participants:

Board members:

Anja Wilken – Chairperson
Christiane Klemm – Publications and Promotion Officer
Zaruhi Stepanyan – External Relations Officer, Vice-Chairperson
Ana Bianca Badea – Project Officer
Vasily Bashutkin - Treasurer

Secretariat:

Mercedes Fioravanti – Secretary General
Natalia Luchko – Main Coordinator
Margolzata Zubowicz-Thull - Consultant

Missing:

Lira Hakani – Member Organizations Officer

Agenda:

1. News from Office and Board
2. Esther's proposal for work
3. Introduction of participants fee for TC (for AM/next year)
4. Nomination of Board Members by YEE for the Training for Trainers from the Council of Europe
5. Follow-up of PBM tasks
6. AOB

Abbreviations:

1. **AM – Annual Meeting**
1. **BM – Board Member**
2. **AOB – any other business**
3. **PBM – Physical Board Meeting**
4. **YFJ – European Youth Forum**
5. **EYF – European Youth Foundation**
6. **NA – National Agency**
7. **AC - Advisory Council**
8. **COMEM – Council of Members**
9. **PBM – Physical Board Meeting**

Results:

1. News from Office and Board

News for the Office:

Mercedes: Submitted report for admin grant at European Youth Foundation. Erasmus + grant to be fulfilled until end of March. Will send to Vasily to check.

Natasha: Worked on EVS project (new project and existing project), helped to issue newsletter and prepares final report for “follow up project”. There is an update from FYCA. They submitted an application to the government for the project.

News from the Board:

Zara: Worked on ET4ET. Prepared for the European Youth Forum COMEM, worked on AC documents. Check Zara’s documents till 10th of March.

Chris: ET4ET, newsletter+ video. Got recommendation about twitter from an experienced friend.

Vasily: Basically helped Christiane with

Anja: NING platform has been transferred to YEE. Soon there will be a meeting where future strategy will be discussed. Corrected the PBM minutes, worked on ET4ET.

2. Esther's proposal for work

Esther Vallado (from the MO Biodiversa – Spain) suggested she could work for YEE and help the office from her home. We have already submitted applications for the administrative grant, where number of employees was already included, so it wouldn’t be possible to hire someone else. We see the possibility for her to work for particular tasks/projects. On the other hand, Gosia (currently working as part time Consultant) wishes to work more hours and take care of particular projects. Vasily says that we can have a synergy effect by hiring 2 consultants – but we have to take into consideration the age limit of 35 years. This issue shall be considered before next admin grant application. Issue to be discussed before AM in Prague, but email discussion shall take place at least one month before AM.

3. Introduction of participants fee for TC (for AM/next year)

This should be valid for at least one project. This will prevent people from coming for having fun and with no purpose. With this we will make sure that only those who are really motivated come. This idea has been proposed before. We want to keep this money as donations, this amount of money shall be used for other YEE purposes (for example the AM). Our membership fee is low therefore additional money will not stop motivated people from coming. For Green Entrepreneurship additional money would be helpful. We don’t want to have any participation fee for the TC before Annual Meeting. Project applications shall contain information if there is co-founding (participation fees should be included in the application stage). May be this money will be accepted as donations in kind. This shall be discussed again later.

There are some ideas from Green Entrepreneurship project which will be shared later. Zara will contact Esther Vallado to find out more about her experience on participation fees.

4. Nomination of Board Members by YEE for the Training for Trainers from the Council of Europe

The more candidates apply – the better. Vasily, Anja and Chis expressed their interest. Everybody agreed that it will be beneficial for YEE to have someone there.

5. Follow-up of PBM tasks

To be postponed as minutes are still being corrected.

As a reminder, the work groups (values of YEE, YEE strategies, board members rewards) should start working soon.

6. AOB

Girts (Balta Daba) wrote to members of Mine Vaganti about the youth exchange “Eco school partnership” asking whether they should apply. There is no other information so far.