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Meeting Minutes
PTPI European Council – Annual Meeting
Katowice, Poland 18 June 2011

Place: Katowice, Poland – Prywatne Liceum Ogólnokształcące
 Date: Saturday June 18 2011
 Minutes: Rolf G Dahlberg
 Attending: 20 Council chapters, 4 visiting chapters, 107 members

Council Member Chapters

1	Tirana	Albania	14	Roman	Romania
2	Korce	Albania	15	Vaslui	Romania
3	Varna	Bulgaria	16	Karlstad	Sweden
4	Plovdiv SC	Bulgaria	17	Bern	Switzerland
5	Sternberk	Czech Republic	18	Zürich	Switzerland
6	Prague	Czech Republic	19	Kiev	Ukraine
7	Chester	England	20	Kiev SC	Ukraine
8	South Jutland	Denmark			
9	Berlin	Germany			
10	Milano	Italy			
11	Gliwice	Poland			
12	Katowice SC	Poland			
13	Warsaw	Poland			

Visiting Chapters

1	Greater Kansas City	USA
2	Greater Trenton	USA
3	Buffalo/Niagara Falls	USA

1. OPENING

Regional Chair Valeria Magistelli opened 27th European Conference by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their presence. She especially noted those participants visiting from outside Europe. She also mentioned that this is the second European Conference in Poland. The first was held in 1997 in Gliwice. She welcomed her colleagues on the European Executive Committee.

2. ENUMERATION OF PARTICIPANTS

Regional Chair Valeria Magistelli enumerated the participants and the voting delegates. 20 chapters with vote were present. This meant that 11 votes were necessary for simple majority and 14 votes for a 2/3 majority decision.

3. ALLOCATION OF NATIONAL VOTES

We currently have five countries with more than three chapters. They are Albania (5), Bulgaria (5), Poland (5), Romania (5), and the Ukraine (10). None of these countries had more than three chapter present. Thus all could vote.

4. DESIGNATION OF A PARLAMENTARIAN

Presiding Chair designated Stuart Exell, PTPI's Chester, England Chapter, as parliamentarian to advise the Chair. Stuart accepted the task at hand.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Secretary Rolf Dahlberg summarized the minutes from the last European Conference in Pécs, Hungary in 2010.

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The minutes of the European Conference in Pécs had been previously distributed to all chapter presidents and posted on the Web site.

6. REMARKS – MATTER ARISING – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No remarks were given so the Regional Chair Valeria Magistrelli declared the minutes approved.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was left from last years Council Meeting.

8. PROPOSAL FROM THE FLOOR

There was no proposal from the floor.

9. ELECTIONS

Rolf Dahlberg from PTPI's Karlstad, Sweden Chapter was elected as secretary for a two year period, Hannelore Büchler from PTPI's Berlin, Germany Chapter was elected as treasurer for two year period. Antoaneta Poplebarova Advisor to the Dolphins Varna, Bulgaria chapter made a brief presentation on herself as nominated as the candidate for the new Youth Coordinator Officer. She was elected to the EEC for a two year term. Olga Sirbu from PTPI's Chisinau, Moldova Chapter was re-elected for a new one year term.

10. NEW BUSINESS WITH AMONGST OTHERS

A. Report - European Organisation by the Regional Chair. Valeria Magistrelli spoke of the European Organization at large and some of the past year's activities. The Regional Chairs Report was approved.

B. Report - Financial Conditions by the Treasurer. Made by treasurer Hannelore Büchler. The report was approved.

C. Report - Auditors. The report by the auditors was read by Lars Poignant and approved.

D. Report - Public Relations Officer. PR Officer Antoinette McInryre-Andersson could not unfortunately attend the conference.

E. Report - Youth Coordination Officer. The YCO Sorina Danciu could unfortunately not attend this conference.

F. Reports from Representatives of National Organisations and Chapters.

The chapter reports were split into two parts:

- a. Karina Tatarova from of the Plovdiv Student Chapter, Andrei Coduneau of the Roman, Romania Chapter and Anne Marie Bohsen from the South Denmark Chapter gave reports to the whole council meeting
- b. Chapter fair (after lunch)

For the fifth time during a council meeting a fair was used as chapter presentation. Each chapter had the possibility of putting up pictures and posters from their home community. Many served both food and offered something to drink specific to their region. This was a much appreciated way of giving chapter reports.

G. Resolutions/Recommendations.

No resolutions or recommendations came out.

H. Items Raised by National Organizations and Chapters.

No items were raised.

I. Business Accepted as Proposed Under Item 8 Above

No business was raised.

SPEAKERS: Lars Poignant/Mary Eisenhower. Lars presented PTPI programs and chapter development in Europe. He also highlighted the most important events which took place during 2010.

Mary Eisenhower, President and CEO of PTPI, summarized PTPI programs and chapter development. She also highlighted the most important events which has taken place all over the world.

J. Any Other Business.

Verena Denk of the Berlin office had prepared an Open Space discussion in five small groups. We then summarized the results at the end of the Coucil meeting.

11. REMARKS – QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR. Valeria Magisrelli congratulated the new members of the European Executive Committee. He also invited everyone to the World Wide Conference in Tallinn, Estonia.

12. PLACE AND DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next European Conference will be held in August/September, 2012 in Tallinn, Estonia in conjuction with the PTPI World Wide Conference.

13. ADJOURNAMENT / CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

Regional Chair Valeria Magistrelli thanked the Katowice Organising Committee, Lars Poignant and Verena Denk from PTPI European Office and closed the meeting by thanking everyone for their presence.

Notes taken at the meeting by the Secretary by:

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Secretary General of the EEC
Stockholm June 22, 2011