

Meeting Minutes
PTPI European Council in conjunction with
Worldwide Conference
Tallinn, Estonia 29 August 2012



International
Peace through Understanding

Place: Sokos Hotel – Tallinn Estonia
Date: Wednesday August 29 2012
Minutes: Rolf G Dahlberg
Attending: 12 Council chapters, 2 visiting chapters, 32 members

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| 1. Tirana, Albania | 5. Denmark | 9. Milano, Italy |
| 2. Tirana SC, Albania | 6. Chester, England | 10. Karlstad, Sweden |
| 3. Yerevan, Armenia | 7. Tallinn, Estonia | 11. Bern, Switzerland |
| 4. Plovdiv, Bulgaria | 8. Berlin, Germany | 12. Zürich, Switzerland |

Gunhild Bogdahn
Anna Marie Bohsen
Hannelore Büchler
Peter Büchler
Rolf G. Dahlberg
Steve DiGiacinto
Mary Eisenhower
Heather Exell
Ares Gasparyan
Hans Graf
Brian Hueben

Ron Hicks
Ernst Honegger
Bill Jarvis
Simon Krebs
Svenn-Erik Kristensen
Karen Margrethe Kristensen
Thea Lauridsen
Valeria Magistrelli
Anita Manuel
Arbi Mucaj
Genci Mucaj

Ruta Pels
Lars Poignant
Hans-Dieter Robel
Pierluisa Ronchi
Rosanne Rosen
Mike Rubin
Dagmar Schönbeck
Mark Stansberry
Karina Tatarova
Marina Wendelmuth

1. OPENING

Regional Chair Valeria Magistrelli opened 28th 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 Estonia. The first was held in 1995 also in Tallinn. She welcomed her colleagues on the European Executive Committee.

2. ENUMERATION OF PARTICIPANTS

Regional Chair Valeria Magistrelli enumerated the participants and the voting delegates. 12 chapters with vote were present. This meant that 7 votes were necessary for simple majority and 8 votes for a 2/3 majority decision.

3. ALLOCATION OF NATIONAL VOTES

We currently have four countries with more than three chapters. They are Albania (4), Bulgaria (8), Romania (5), and the Ukraine (10). None of these countries had more than three chapters present. Thus all could vote.

4. DESIGNATION OF A PARLAMENTARIAN

Presiding Chair designated Ernst Honegger, PTPI's Bern, Switzerland chapter, as parliamentarian to advise the Chair. Ernst accepted the task at hand.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Secretary Rolf G. Dahlberg summarized the minutes from the last European Conference in Katowice, Poland in 2011.

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The minutes of the European Conference in Katowice 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

As the parliamentarian of the meeting, Ernst Honegger asked from nominations from the floor.

Valeria Magistrelli from PTPI's Milano, Italy Chapter was re-elected as Regional Chair for a second two year period. Antoinette McIntyre-Andersson from PTPI's Karlstad, Sweden Chapter was re-elected as PR Officer for a second two year period. 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 by the Council Meeting.

D. Report - Public Relations Officer. PR Officer Antoinette McIntyre-Andersson could not unfortunately attend the conference, but Lars summarized her contributions during the year. The report was approved.

E. Report - Youth Coordination Officer. The YCO Antoaneta Pophlebarova could unfortunately not attend this conference, but a report from Antoaneta was read and approved.

F. Reports from Representatives of National Organisations and Chapters.

The chapter reports were given by Ruta Pels from the Tallinn, Estonia chapter, by Heather Exell from the Chester, England and by Ernst Honegger of the Bern, Switzerland chapter.

G. Resolutions/Recommendations.

No resolutions or recommendations came out.

H. Items Raised by National Organizations and Chapters.

Hans-Dieter Robel, from the Berlin, Germany chapter brought up the cost of a Worldwide Conference. A long discussion followed but many meant that you can't compare the costs of a European Conference with that of a Worldwide.

I. Business Accepted as Proposed Under Item 8 Above

No business was raised.

SPEAKERS: Lars Poignant. Lars presented PTPI programs and chapter development in Europe. He also highlighted the most important events which took place during 2011.

J. Any Other Business.

No other business was introduced.

11. REMARKS – QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR. No remarks were raised.

12. PLACE AND DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next European Conference will be held in Varna Bulgaria in May/June 2013. Genci Mucaj, from Albania asked when. A discussion about the dates followed. It was important not to interfere with International meetings like the Board of Trustee Meeting in New Orleans, USA to be held between August 29-September 1 in 2013. It was decided to be held around the weekend of June 1-2. The details to be decided by the Varna, Bulgaria Student Chapter and to be announced later.

We also came up with a strong recommendation to the future EEC in 2020 to have the Worldwide, and the European Conference Separate.

13. ADJOURNMENT / CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

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

Notes taken at the meeting by:

Mr Rolf G. Dahlberg

Secretary General of the EEC

Tallinn August, 2012