

Minutes
YMCA Europe Executive Committee meeting
Tallinn, Estonia 14. May 2015

PARTICIPANTS:

Evert (Ed) Eggink-President; Stepan Cerny-Vice President; Beate Turck-Recording Secretary; Birgir Urbancic Àsgeirsson-Assessor; Christian Martin Winter-Assessor; Diana Zarembiene-Assessor; Dan Carpov-Assessor; Kie Cummings-Assessor; Juan Simoes Iglesias-Secretary General (SG); Eva Tschornova-Office Manager

AGENDA

1. Opening remarks and apologies
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Minutes (and to-do lists): ExCom meeting Setubal 27.02.-01.03.2015
4. Report George Williams Fund 2014
5. Finances
 - 5.1. Debts of National Movements
 - 5.2. Developments 2015
6. Developments YMCA/YWCA Switzerland
7. Invitations for hosting the General Assemblies 2016 and 2017
 - 7.1. Plan; format and time schedule General Assembly 2015
 - 7.2. Roles ExCom members during GA
8. Update Training Center Litomysl
9. Short evaluation Movement Strengthening Conference
10. Programme General Assembly 2015 and roles of ExCom members
(First timers meeting; Interest Groups; Table talks/Working groups; Market place)
11. Any other business
12. Closure

1. Opening remarks and apologies

Ed opened the meeting. Apologies from Michael (Mike) Will. He will arrive later.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted.

3. Minutes of Executive Committee meeting Setubal 27.02.-01.03.2015

Decision: minutes were approved.

The to-do-list was updated.

4. Report George Williams Fund (GWF) 2014

Ed reported. The constitution of GWF asks its board to deliver a yearly report to YE ExCom. In 2016 a new board has to be elected. We have to look for candidates. The GWF board is asked to look for an investment portfolio with low or medium risk which will bring revenues every year.

Proposal:

The Executive Committee adopts the report of the George Williams Fund board.

Decision: The report has been adopted.

5. Finances

5.1. Debts of National Movements

Ed reported.

5.2. Developments 2015

Juan reported.

6. Developments YMCA/YWCA Switzerland

Juan reported.

7. Invitations for hosting the General Assemblies 2016 and 2017

Ed reported.

Written invitation for the GA 2016 received from YMCA Spain, and for the GA 2017 from YMCA Scotland..

Proposal:

The Executive Committee accepts the invitation of YMCA Spain to host the General Assembly of YMCA Europe in 2016 and will announce this during the General Assembly 2015 in Tallinn.

Decision: Agreed

Proposal:

The Executive Committee accepts the invitation of YMCA Scotland to host the General Assembly of YMCA Europe in 2017.

Decision: Agreed

8. Update Training Center Litomyšl (TC)

Juan and Stepan reported.

Proposal:

The Executive Committee authorize the current YE board members to propose its candidates for the next TC board period. If possible the number of TC board members should be reduced .

Decision: Agreed

9. Short evaluation Movement Strengthening (MS) Conference

Stepan reported.

The preparation team has to continue the follow up process. At the ExCom meeting in October 2015 a first draft of MS operation plan should be presented. It should contain structural and operational elements as well.

10. Programme General Assembly 2015 and roles ExCom members

All elements were discussed and roles of ExCom members confirmed.

11. Any other business

Voting rights

Ed informed about the voting rights in the General Assembly.

YMCA Youth Policy Group

Kie reported. Sebastian Vogt, Germany will be new member of YPG. Patrick Schroeder (Sweden), Doris Klingenhagen (Germany), Gerard Tosseram (Netherlands), Cees Bremmer (Netherlands) stepped back. Remaining members are Kie Cummings (England; chairman) ; Heidi Silven (Finland), Stefan Leier (Germany), Tinna Ros Steinsdottir (Iceland), Liam Preston (England).

Proposal:

The Executive Committee confirms the nomination of Sebastian Vogt, Germany as new member in the Youth Policy Group.

Decision: Agreed

Marketing/communication group

Diana recommended establishing a marketing and communication group within YE to keep continuation and work out a YE strategy. Including Marius Pop.

12. Closure

Ed closed the meeting.