Minutes of the Governing Council Meeting  
May 21st, 2016

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**Fundraising & finance committee**

- Colgate grant (50’000 USD/year) renewed for another term starting from 2016. Acknowledgments to JC and R. Bedi
- Increased membership fees collection. Acknowledgments to EDC
- Fundraising activities are on-going by MM and the headquarters (HQs)
- For all further fundraising activities, 25% should be provided to the HQs as overheads with a flexible approach. Direct administrative costs should be added by the HQ in grants to reach the 25% if this % is not allowed by the funders
- WFPHA is now tax exempt. Acknowledgments to EDC
- M. Giessler approved as new co-Chair of the finance committee (same rules as any other
committee Chair)

- EUPHA MoU: through the new MoU EUPHA will
  - continue collecting common membership fees from EU national PHA
  - invite its members within the same invoice letter to provide supplementary support to WFPHA
  - approach national PHA that will be more likely willing to give WFPHA an additional contribution i.e. Scandinavian country
  - send 3000 Euro/year as base plus any surplus collected through donations collected as above (WFPHA will invoice EUPHA of 5’000 EUR/year).
  - The new MoU will be for 5 years starting from January 2017. Evaluation will be done every 2 years
  - WFPHA and EUPHA are keen to strengthen links and increase EU participation at WFPHA meetings i.e. GA and world congress. Different ideas have been discussed:
    - joint project & joint fundraising related as example to Advocacy & the Global Charter.
    - combine WFPHA GA with EU regional meeting & with meetings of all regional federations together

COMMENTS:
DW: This approach is not sustainable

GENERAL COMMENTS:
DW: the in kind contribution should be added in the budget and used as marketing tools
DKK: AFR would appreciate to have expertise support from WFPHA and make joint applications to international agencies.

- Unfortunately no HR available at the HQs for that
- It would be more appropriate that one country support the initiative rather than the federation to avoid that the umbrella federation competes with its members

Nomination committee report (by JC)

- VP/president elect: WFPHA received the application of three outstanding candidates: L. Rispel, L. De Souza and J. Griemland, all to be presented to the GA
- Asia-pacific seat on the GC: WFPHA received the application of two outstanding candidates: A. Bachtiar and A. Te Patu, both to be presented to the GA. CPMA leave its seat as asia-pacific representative but will remain on the GC as regional office (ex officio)
- Young professional: WFPHA received the application of five outstanding candidates: Mustakim, N. Folmann Hempler, T. Tillmann, T. Pigott and S. Buttigieg, all to be presented to the GA

Policy committee report (by IH)

- PC has approved with very minor changes the 4 resolution submitted:
  - Resolution “The integration of oral health into primary health care and public health system”
  - Resolution “Reducing Maternal Mortality as a Human Right”
  - Resolution “Regulation of Electronic Cigarettes”
  - Resolution ”International Trade Agreements and Public Health”
- Plus a statement on Zika virus.
PC will focus its main future activities on the Charter, integrating its basic concepts in all activities. These activities will include:

- Sending a letter to all PHAs to make more effective joint advocacy
- Preparation of common resolutions on PH hot topics such as maternal mortality and chemicals products
- Obtain and promote indicators useful for advocacy in PH such as economic and social indicators.

Acknowledgments to ML for her work with the PC.

**Membership committee report (by ML)**

- MC has received 11 applications.
- PHAs to be accepted (upgraded to) as full members:
  - Public Health Society of Panama (SPSP)
  - Malta Association of Public Health Medicine (MAPHM)
  - Public Health Association of Colombia (ACSP)
  - Jordan Public Health Association – pending the confirmation of multidisciplinary (unavailable for instance)
- PHAs to be accepted as sustaining members:
  - International Pharmaceutical Students’ Federation (IPSF)
- PHAs to be accepted as regional members:
  - Alliance of Public Health Associations of the Americas (APHAA) – pending the reception of approved Statutes
- PHAs to be accepted as partners:
  - International Association of National Public Health Institutes (IANPHI)
  - International Epidemiological Association (IEA) – mutual membership on-going
- MoU with African Federation of public health associations has been approved: 14 new PHAs will be added to the current PHAs already members from the region. National PHAs from AFPHA to be accepted as Full or Associate Members upon MC decision. Membership fees collection will remain independent.
- PHAs on hold/refused
  - Healthy Community Association (Turkey) – on hold pending on more info collection and EUPHA decision (as per MoU)
  - New World Hope Organization (Pakistan) - This PHA is a national organization focusing on specific topics, thus not fitting with the WFPHA membership criteria To be refused
- ML to prepare a more accountable system to evaluate the application of new members and have a monitoring every year.

**A Global Charter for the Public’s Health (by BB)**

The A Global Charter for the Public’s Health (GCPH) is the main output of WFPHA collaboration plan with the World Health Organization (WHO) to adapt today’s public health to its global context in the light of and in conjunction with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Charter aims to bring together the best of all the existing models and provide a comprehensive, clear and flexible framework that can be applied globally and within individual countries, whether low, middle or high-income. The A Global Charter for the Public's Health provides new insights into the direction of public health and provides guidance for both
‘services’ and ‘functions’. As such, when read in conjunction with the Sustainable Development Goals, the Charter has the potential to be a major influence globally. It is a document that ought to be taught in public health faculties and used to develop strategic approaches by public health associations around the world. The Charter has been published at the European Journal of Public Health. It has been officially presented at the Commonwealth meeting (May 22nd 2016), at the side event “Global and local: Public Health and Primary Care in action!” during the 69World Health Assembly and subsequently to the general public at the University of Geneva in June 2016. The implementation phase has started with the Commonwealth Implementation Tool for the "Global Charter for the Public's Health" and a survey that has been sent to all PHAs and IANPHI members as well as main international health related organization to see if and how the Charter can be applied locally and globally to reshape PHA strategic plan and as a tool for advocacy. The survey has been piloted and will be sent in June 2016. Public health association of Australia (PHAA) has already re-shaped its strategic plan around the Charter.

Acknowledgments to EUPHA for the support in the publication; to ML for her massive work for the setup of this Charter; to PHAA and Commonwealth as first implementers.

The Charter logo has been appreciated.
The video of BB describing the Charter has been showed and obtained a lot of consensus. Acknowledgments to VB for the logo and video.

COMMENTS:
- Make better and more dramatic setting for the Charter to reach more public and increase WFPHA visibility.

HQs report (by BB)
- Acknowledgment to B. Borisch, M. Lomazzi, E. De Cata, V. Bianco and all interns for the impressive work
- The University of Geneva thanks to BB is currently hosting for free the HQ providing different kind of support but requiring more and more participation by the WFPHA to cover costs such as printing, computers etc. This expenses voice should be taken carefully into consideration and added in the budget to guarantee the correct operation of the HQs.

By laws committee (by MM)
Recommendations of changes in the bylaws:
1. Executive Director: The term Executive Director is applied to the person appointed by the Council to be in charge of the International Office. A series of amendments facilitate this. Note: these amendments give the Executive Director voting rights, clarify the responsibilities and clarify the right of the Council to appoint or remove the Executive Director and set the term for five years renewable for one term. It also sets the process for a temporary appointment.
   - GC has decided to split this recommendation into three:
     - The term executive director is applied to the person appointed by the GC to be in charge of the international office
     - The term of the executive director is for 5 years renewable for one term
     - The executive director should have voting rights
2. Membership: This removes three categories that are not currently used and introduces and clarifies the conditions of the “partner” category. This changes categories from seven to five.
3. International Office: The term is introduced to clarify the name, the role and the responsibilities of the office that is currently in Geneva.
4. Young Professional Council Member: The introduces and clarifies parameters and conditions for the election to Council of a “Young Professional” being a person under 40 years at the time of nomination. A national Public Health Association cannot have both a “young professional” and another member elected to Council.

5. Member at large: This amendment creates an expectation that the position of “member at large” comes with an expectation of considerable financial contribution (of US$50,000). (Note the Constitution allows up to two “members at large”).
   - No agreement by the GC:
     - Asking such high contribution can be perceived as selling the seat
     - Asking this contribution would allow the sustainability of the federation that leading to much bigger benefits for public health
   This point will not be voted at the GA.

6. Resignations and Inactive members of the Council: A process that allows inactive members to be removed. This also clarifies the right of Council to appoint a replacement until the following Annual General Meeting of the General Assembly.

7. Finance Committee: Clarifying the role of the President Elect/VP as co-chair of the Finance Committee.
   - GC has agreed to have M. Gissler from Finland as new Chair of the Finance committee.
   - The VP-president elect should sit on the committee as reported in the bylaws.
   This point will not be voted at the GA.

8. Advisory Board: Clarifies the membership, roles and responsibilities of the Advisory Board

9. Administrative amendments: A number of administrative changes are proposed such as ‘may’ replacing ‘shall’ when compulsion is not possible or appropriate. Ensuring appropriate/logical numbers. Increasing the transparency of annual dues. Ensuring “winding up” provision is consistent with Swiss legislation.

15 WCPH (by MM)

The congress preparation is on track. 4000 participants are expected. 4 days conference.
Professional meetings organizers are taking care of the logistics, H. Keleher, PHASA past president, is guiding the whole process. Main speakers have already confirmed.
Big focus on the World Leadership dialogue
Filed visits (not tourism) have been planned at the end of the congress
Acknowledgements to H. Keleher, MM & colleagues

COMMENTS:
   - The GC should be more involved in the planning of plenaries
   - Ensure that young professionals have effective role also during plenaries
   - Provide also touristic info on the website in advance

50th Anniversary (By JC)

- Work plan has been proposed by JC showcasing different option at low, middle and high costs. The work is on track and guided by JC. Acknowledgments to J. Chauvin.
  Main points:
    - The anniversary should be an integral part of the congress and make an overview on the main milestones of the last 50 years and adding a great focus of the next 5 years. Idea proposed: each PHA member to make a video of its vision of the PHA and PH in 50 year.
The two logos for the anniversary proposed by SOCUSAP have been evaluated but no consensus was reached. JC will discuss with SOCUSAP to prepare a new logo that include also the Charter’s logo. JC also to get a written agreement with SOCUSAP for the intellectual property and use of the logo on WFPHA documents, media etc.

- The idea to prepare an archive of all WFPHA historical material has been appreciated. BB to contact Fantini and explore if he can volunteer as archivist.
- The request to have an official plaque from WHO and be cited by the GC at the 2017 WHA is under evaluation with R. Krech. ML to take care of the follow up.

**Strategic plan (by MM)**
The next strategic plan in 2017. The new one shall be on the Charter, maybe refreshing what we have in the light of the Charter. We can get it underway after the 15WCPH.

**Fellowship program (by MM)**
PHASA and CPMA have offered to run the next edition. WFPHA can pay the flight to the hosting country and back up to 5’000 USD/year. The hosting country should cover internal flights and accommodation. Challenge is the money; we need to look for sponsor first. The PHA of the fellow should participate in covering for example the daily allowances if feasible.

**Media and communication**
WFPHA has:
- Articles in the federation’s pages @ JPHP. Now the article on PH in India has been completed. Acknowledgments to A. Robbins and P. Freeman.
- Annual report. Acknowledgments to EDC
- New FB page, Linkedin e Newsletter plus a twitter now reactivated. Acknowledgments to VB

**WG reports**
Available at the respective website pages at  http://wfpha.org/about-wfpha/working-groups

**Attack on Hospitals and Health Facilities statement**
WFPHA in principle support it

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Rapporteur: M. Lomazzi