WFPHA Minutes_Jan_2017 - GC TC  
Jan the 19th, 2017

**Present**

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**Regrets**

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**Absents**

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**Decisions/Actions**

**Main Points**

Minutes of the GC TC Dec 5th 2016 have been approved.

**15th World Congress on Public Health (MM)**

- Preparation is on track
- Selected workshops requested by WFPHA people have been fit in the program in a 10-min walking distance building from the main congress center
- 1,800 people registered so far
- Accommodation management and few waived entrances are being managed for selected GC, Chairs and of some key people to attend the 15thWCPH. Also, a block reservation is being managed by the Australian organizing committee for the GC member requesting. Detailed information has been sent on the hotel by email. The chosen hotel is Four Points by Sheraton Melbourne Docklands, where the next GC Meeting will take place.
50th Anniversary of the WFPHA

Several activities are in preparation for the 50th Anniversary:

1. By the International Head Quarter
   - **The Campaign “Diplomat of the Global Charter”** previously approved by the GC
   - **The Photo Competition** - collected pictures will be shown during the 15WCPH and the three best photos will be awarded. Up to now around 90 photos have been collected.
   - A raffle during the Congress to fundraise for the Charter implementation. It will be performed in appropriate way to exclude any links with the gambling problems – approved by the GC. MM has kindly offered his aboriginal painting as first prize. Thanks to MM and his wife.
   - Video and certificate by WHO DG to be given by R. Krech during the anniversary ceremony
   - Comments: D. Walker suggested to organize a dinner in Melbourne to fundraise

2. By the Anniversary Committee (led by J. Chauvin)
   - M. Hilson and R. Morgan have prepared an article on the history of the WFPHA to be published in the JPHP – Federation pages
   - Vignettes on past presidents are under preparation by J. Chauvin, T, Abelin, U. Laaser, A. Te Patu, T. Piggot and S. Buttigieg dealing first with WFPHA past presidents
   - Interview to senior and young PH professionals on main PH achievements, future of PH as well as collecting wishes to WFPHA for its anniversary are under preparation (around 80 interviews already finished)

Organizational Award

After discussion, the GC agrees to give the Organizational award to MSF (Doctors Without Borders)

WFPHA Demand for Action 2017

The GC has approved the Demand for Action.

MM will seek agreement from the WFPHA and each Congress partners.

The Demand will be presented to Congress delegates for agreement

Strategic Plan

The next plan will start in 2018. Informal discussion about it will start during the Congress in Melbourne. The next Strategic Plan will take into account the current main focus of the Federation on the Charter Implementation

GC Seat Americas

Only 1 nomination received M. Lombera- the final decision will be taken during the General Assembly in Melbourne in April 2017. The GC approves this nomination.
**Student & Young Professional Section (SYPS) (T. Piggott)**

Terms of References approved at the last GC – available online in the [dedicated page](#).

Many activities are being organized by this group lead by T. Piggott, especially aimed at informing people, looking at the future of public health.

SYPS will lead a Leadership Dialogue at the 15th World Congress. The Students and Young Professionals are organizing the Leadership Dialogue for an estimated cost of 22,000 USD. Peter Orris offers to help the SYPS on analyzing proposals for increasing the involvement of students and young professionals in public health associations.

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**BDG 2017 (MM and EDC)**

The Budget 2017 has been analyzed and approved by the GC. Attached to the minutes.

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**MoU with the American Alliance (AASPA)**

This document is still under preparation. The membership fees collection is still to be clarified (preferably not duplicate a “EUPHA MoU model”). The GC decides to better analyze this issue in April.

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**Fundraising updates (MM)**

Main points:

- Increasing Charter visibility and knowledge will facilitate fundraising.
- Contacts established with several organizations and corporates in Geneva by the International Office
- WFPHA has improved its website donation page

Membership Fees:

1. Some members are raising doubts on the amount of fees requested (e.g. the 5,000 USD especially) – the issue needs to be debated furtherly for 2017
2. Thanks to EDC for having reminded members their responsibilities.

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**Membership Committee (MM and ML)**

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<td>Haiti Cholera Found</td>
<td>2nd application - US based organization working in Haiti and other LIC mainly on HIV and communicable diseases</td>
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Khatez Public Health Association (Afghanistan) 2nd application – WFPHA has already one full member from Afghanistan represented also on the GC by Javed Rahmanzai who tried to make the two associations working together but on both sides this was not possible. As general rule we cannot have 2 full members from the same country. GC recommends to refuse the membership applications

Other comments:
Israel seems not to be so active any more. Dubai is not paying- needs to talk to them in Melbourne at the World Congress

**Aetna Foundation:** Use of digital technology and its impact on population health and health equity gains
J. Chauvin is taking care of drafting the 2nd phase proposal with L. Rispel in coordination with M. Lomazzi.

**Ministerial Meeting on Health Employment and Economic Growth Report, Geneva Jan 2017**
The Commission Report “Working for health and growth: Investing in the health workforce” was launched on 20 September 2016 and called for bold actions and urgent investments globally in order to prevent a projected shortfall of 18 million health workers, primarily in low- and middle-income countries, and help countries to maximize the social and economic benefits of increased health employment. WFPHA was present at the meeting (BB and ML). The Commission concluded that investing in the health workforce is needed to make progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals, including gains in health, global security and inclusive economic growth. The commission made 10 recommendations for realizing those gains, through appropriate investments in health employment that can power economies, move countries closer to universal health coverage and act as a bulwark against outbreaks. The need for action is urgent. The Commission called for five immediate actions by March 2018 to secure commitments and accountability for accelerated health workforce investments. The only “weak” point is that the meeting focused a lot on primary care and not too much space was given to public health. More information available at [http://www.who.int/hrh/com-heeg/high-level_meeting/en/](http://www.who.int/hrh/com-heeg/high-level_meeting/en/)

**Policy Committee**
ABRASCO had requested via L. De Souza that WFPHA make a position statement addressed to Brazilian government against the important cut in health – thanks to the Geneva Office for the great help provided and for the advocacy activity through this document.

Next GC will take place in person in Melbourne on Sunday April the 2nd at 1.30 pm at the Four Points by Sheraton Melbourne Docklands
### ACTION POINTS

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<td>Write a first draft around a grant renewal for Aetna Foundation to be shared with GC</td>
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<td>Tell MDS they are recipient of the Organizational Award</td>
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<td>Photo contest follow up</td>
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Rapporteur: Eleonora De Cata