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Minutes

37th AEMH-Board meeting

Copenhagen 4th September 2003

Chairman: Dr. Lies, President

Participants: Dr. Kirschner, Prof. Nolte, Prof. Degos, Dr. Morresi, Mrs Jencik.

Opening: 8:45
Adjourned: 11:15

The President opened the session at 8:45 in absence of Professor Degos who had informed of a later arrival due to his travel schedule.

The President first reported about the last CPME meeting that took place only one week before 28-29 August in Brussels, where the new organisation in parallel sessions, the financial situation, new contribution keys in view of the enlargement and weighted votes were debated.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting in Brussels 5th July 2003

The minutes were approved with an addition on a proposal from Dr. Kirschner to specify the points of the working programme under topic 2 “President’s report”.

2. AEMH-Secretariat

Approval of change of registered office from Avenue de Cortenbergh, 66 to Rue de la Science 41.

The removal to the new premises together with the CPME has already been related in the minutes of the 36th Board Meeting. To operate the official change of the registered office by publication in the Belgian Official Journal “Moniteur belge” the change needs an official approval by the Board.

The members of the Board voted unanimously in favour of the change and approved the new address of the AEMH registered office to be Rue de la Science 41, B-1040 Brussels.

Prof. Degos joined the meeting at 10:00 and was informed by the President on the previous topics. Prof. Degos subscribed to the decisions of the other members of the Board.
3. **External Communication and Collaboration**

The President informed the members of the Board about the first steps taken to broaden the contacts of the AEMH with other health organizations.

a) An appointment has been made with the Secretary General of the European Association of Hospital Managers (EAHM).

b) The Standing Committee of the Hospitals of the European Union (HOPE) invited the President and the Secretary to the next HEALLO meeting. The HEALLO meeting is an informal network of European health organizations.

c) B. Jencik informed about an invitation from the European Committee for Standardization who will start standardization in the field of “Healthcare Services Quality Management Systems” and hold a meeting on this topic in October in Madrid. The Spanish delegation has been informed.

d) The Secretariat has been approached by EURACTIV, an information media on European affairs, for membership. Although this is out of question for our organization, they can be used for dissemination of information from our organization.

4. **Working groups**

The analysis and summary of the National report in the frame of the new format proposed by the Danish delegation could not be accomplished; the replies were received too late and incomplete. Nevertheless, it could be stated that

10 delegations had more or less tried to answer within the new frame;
4 only reported in the traditional way;
1 report had not been received yet.

This is a positive result considering the rather short notice given to the delegations and the quantity of information that had to be gathered. The questionnaire, although simplified compared to the first draft, might still need to be improved.

The President pointed out that point 11, “comments and current problems” still remains the important part for our organisation and corresponds to the traditional “National Report”.

The Board and the Secretary will try to work out a summary at a later stage.

5. **Next Board Meeting**

The Board will next meet 23rd January 2004 in Brussels. The beginning of the meeting has been scheduled at 10:30.

6. **Miscellaneous**

No items were brought up.

The President closed the 37th Board meeting at 11:15.