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Minutes of the 45th AEMH-Board meeting 
Bratislava, 27 March 2006

Participants:

Dr Lies, President 
Prof Nolte, 1st Vice-President 
Dr Zilling 2nd Vice-President 
Dr de Deus, 3rd Vice-President 
Brigitte Jencik, Secretary General

The President opened the session and informed the other members of the Board about the excused absence of the AEMH-Treasurer, D Kirschner.

He also informed about the health problems of the Slovak President, Prof. Dragula, who would not be able to hold his speech at the conference and probably not to attend the plenary meeting.

Dr Lies furthermore regretted the small number of participants at the plenary, which is due to overcrossing with the date of PWG’s meeting and 30th anniversary, recent election and reorganisation in the Italian member delegation and financial problems in some other delegations.

1. Approval of the Agenda AEMH 06/028 REV1
Dr Zilling wished to add the Conference 2007 to the Agenda as this event should be prepared well ahead the date.
Dr De Deus informed about the next EFMA meeting which will be held in Lisbon in Spring 2007 with the participation of the President of the EU Commission Mr Barroso. The topic will be “Health and migration”. He informed that contrarily to other EFMA meetings this event would require only one registration fee per organisation whatever the number of delegates, which should allow an increase of the participants especially from the Eastern European countries.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 44th Board Meeting in Brussels 28 January 2006.
Document AEMH 06/011 REV1 was approved without changes.

3. President’s Report
The President commented his report on a workshop on pharmacovigilance organized by the Commission where he acted as speaker on behalf of the CPME. In his intervention he pointed out the financial consequences of the different possible improvements. Concerning the Commission’s Public Consultation on an assessment of the Community System of Pharmacovigilance he wished the AEMH to respond in coordination with the CPME but to limit the input on general remarks.
4. **Finances**
The President informed that, in absence of the treasurer, he would explain the reasons which led to the deficit of the accounts 2005, which he reminded briefly.

Brigitte Jencik showed a comparison of the deficits of the past year, which showed clearly that since the end of the VLK subvention the yearly shortfall amounts more or less 10.000 Euros.

Dr Zilling reflected the reaction of his delegation who regretted the negative perspective of the future from both the treasurer and the auditors and the lack of proposals to combat the tendency.

A discussion whether the AEMH could burden the organising country with the costs for interpretation took place, which led to the question of sponsorship. All board members agreed that sponsoring in the frame of the conference and the plenary meeting is totally acceptable and the conference 2007 should be organised in this respect.

5. **Working groups 2006**
The President questioned whether the new experience of parallel sessions of the four working groups would be possible to arrange.
Brigitte Jencik explained that not all delegates did register for a group and that for the rest the groups were not balanced as to the number of participants. This had to be organised before the sessions.

The president decided to move around from group to group and thus attend all groups equally.

Brigitte Jencik informed that during the working sessions she would meet with two secretaries from Vienna to discuss organisational matters for the 2007 meeting.

6. **CPD Conference**
Dr Zilling is active member of the CPME working group in charge to organize the Conference on CPD which will take place in Luxembourg in December 2006. Dr Borman represents the UEMS in the group. Both have drafted position papers. Dr Zilling recognized the quality of Dr Borman’s document, which had been retained as the basic and reminded the political background, meaning that the UEMS claims the lead in means of CPD and does not intend to leave it to the AEMH.

7. **AEMH Conference 2006 “Hospital Management”**
Dr de Deus distributed a document, which was meant to resume the outcome of the conference. After discussion on several points, it was decided that there was no time for a detailed revision and Dr de Deus would take the recommendations into account and draft a new declaration, which would be submitted to the plenary meeting.
At this point a message arrived from the Director of HOPE, Pascal Garel, informing that due to a temporarily closure of Brussels airport he was unable to reach Bratislava to hold his speech.

Dr Zilling took up the subject of the Conference 2007 and reminded that the topic should be decided now and questioned whether hospital accreditation would be a convenient subject. The other board members agreed but reminded that the local organisation should be consulted before any final decision.

8. **59th AEMH Plenary Meeting**
Concerning the elections of 2nd and 3rd Vice-Presidents for the term 2007-2008, Dr Zilling informed that he could not be present on Saturday when the topic would be on the agenda due to family obligations, but that he would gladly present his candidature to the plenary at any time on Friday.
Dr de Deus confirmed that he would also stand for re-election at the post of 3rd Vice-President.
The President welcomed their decision and ensured Dr Zilling to give him the floor on Friday to present his candidature.

9. **Next Board Meeting**
A provisional date of 23rd September was agreed upon.

The President closed the meeting at 1230.

The date for the next Board Meeting has been fixed in a later stage at 21st October 2006 in Brussels.