



European IFYE Alumni

International Farm/4H Youth Exchange

MINUTES

Contact Members Meeting, Kungälv, Sweden

Sunday 22nd July & Tuesday 24th July 2012

(Minutes are a record of both meetings.)

In attendance:

Mary Roberts, England & Wales
Marita Pynnönen, Finland
Bettina Heinemann, Germany
Linda Steele, Northern Ireland
Anette Paulsen, Norway
Doris Maurer, Switzerland
Maria Mårdh, Sweden

Helle Bonderup, Denmark
Martyn Quayle, Isle of Man (President)
Sally Young, Scotland (Secretary)
Gerhard Steinberger, Austria (1st V. President)
Anette Nilsson, Sweden (2nd V. President)
Norbert Winkler, Austria (Treasurer)
Hilde Riser, Norway (Newsletter Editor)

1. Welcome and Opening of the Meeting

The President, Martyn, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted without any amendments.

3. Presentation of Conference & Programme

Anette gave a comprehensive presentation of the programme for the week and answered questions.

4. Contact Member's Responsibilities

The Contact Member's responsibilities were sent out by email on the 10th June 2012 with the conference papers and are noted in the Blue Booklet.

5. Approval of Minutes from Meetings held in Metsäkartano, Finland in 2011

5.1 Contact Members Meeting: Minutes issued on the 05th October 2011 were agreed.

5.2 53rd Annual General Meeting: Minutes issued on the 05th October 2011 will be recommended for adoption at the AGM.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes of the 53rd Annual General Meeting

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

7. Reports on Past IFYE Activities

7.1 Report on the IFYE Conference in Finland in 2011

Kati Nurminen, the conference secretary, will report at the AGM that the administration, finance and operation of the conference had been a success. The conference brochures were posted to attendees and lifetime members who had requested a copy early in 2012.

7.2 Executive Committee Report

The report was circulated to Contact Members with the papers for the conference in June, was published in the June 2012 edition of the IFYE newsletter, is displayed on the conference notice board and is available on www.ifye.org.

7.3 Country Reports on special or new Programmes

The Country Reports are available on the www.ifye.org and on the conference notice board. There were no special or new programmes to report this year.

8. **Financial Matters**

8.1 Main Report 2011/2012

Norbert presented the financial report, previously circulated to the committee and the Contact Members.

Extract:

'The books for this year show a loss of -2074,10 CHF. This is less than the budgeted figure for 2011/12, which forecast a loss of -3751,85 CHF. This is mainly due to the cost of the silver pins being a third less than budgeted for, as a lower number than originally planned were purchased.'

The four IFYE accounts total 66570,77 CHF. They are split into two bank accounts: the UBS Account contains 49656,77 CHF and the UBS Lux Strategy Account contains 16914,00 CHF.'

8.2 Lifetime Members Fund Report

Extract: 'The fund has gone down by 1685,86 CHF and is now worth 28475,87 CHF. This is due to the cost of purchasing the silver pins; printing the silver and golden certificates and; the printing and postage costs of the 2011 conference brochures for LTM's who did not attend the conference. The cost of silver pins was lower than originally budgeted for, as less pins were purchased. There was one new Lifetime Member.'

8.3 Development Fund Report

Extract: 'The fund has gone up by 909,71 CHF, and is now worth 15909,71 CHF therefore, 909,71 CHF has been transferred to the General Account to return the balance to 15000,00 CHF before closing the books. The tombola brought 1231,46 CHF into the account. Between closing last year's books and opening this year's books a transaction of 1120,70 CHF to the General Account was carried out to return the account to 15,000CHF. In the future the transaction between the Development Fund and the General Fund will be carried out before the books are closed, as has happened this year.'

To receive a tax rebate the application must be submitted within a three-year period.

Action: Norbert

8.4 Auditors Report

The auditors will consider the accounts on Tuesday. Therefore, no report is available.

Action: Norbert & Anette

9. **Applications to the Development Fund**

9.1 The Finnish IFYE's have submitted an application to seek financial support from the Development Fund for the publication of a promotional brochure and the organisation of a 'mini conference' to promote the IFYE alumni to their new exchangees. The application, for 1748,60 CHF will be recommended for support at the AGM.

10. **Budget 2012/2013**

10.1 Annual Budget

The under-noted budget will be recommended for adoption at the Annual General Meeting.

-100 CHF	Hosting Rural Youth Europe
-800 CHF	Extra Conference Reports
-100 CHF	Gifts
-1280 CHF	Baby IFYE Support
-3200 CHF	Mid Term Meeting
<u>-5480 CHF</u>	<u>Total (General Expenses)</u>
0 CHF	Newsletter & Web site
0 CHF	Postage
0 CHF	Printing
<u>0 CHF</u>	<u>Total (Newsletter & Web site)</u>
2000 CHF	Annual Membership
480 CHF	Lifetime Membership
0 CHF	Membership Fees Eastern Countries
<u>2480 CHF</u>	<u>Total (Membership Fees)</u>
-1748 CHF	Development Fund
<u>-1748 CHF</u>	<u>Total (Development Fund)</u>
1500 CHF	Tombola Income
-100 CHF	Tombola Expenditure
<u>1400 CHF</u>	<u>Total (Tombola)</u>
200 CHF	Interest
-100 CHF	Bank Charges
- CHF	Lux Strategy Fund
<u>100 CHF</u>	<u>Total (Interest)</u>
-100 CHF	Tax Expenses
100 CHF	Tax Refund
<u>0 CHF</u>	<u>Total Tax</u>
<u>-3248 CHF</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>

11. 60th Anniversary of IFYE Conferences in 2018

- 11.1 The committee endorsed the report, see Appendix 1, and agreed that it be recommended for adoption at the AGM. Helle advised that she would like to be involved in the preparation of the report.

12. Future IFYE Conferences

- 12.1 Wales 2013: Mary advised that the conference will be held at Haberdasher's Monmouthshire School for Girls from Thursday 25th July to Thursday 01st August. Preparations for the conference are well underway and the web site will be online soon. There will be a presentation to IFYE's on Wednesday evening.
- 12.2 Germany 2014: The conference will be held in Bavaria from 19th to 26th July.
- 12.3 Scotland 2015: The conference will be held at Gordonstoun School, near Elgin from 15th to 22nd August.
- 12.4 Invitations for 2016 & beyond: There were no invitations. Linda advised Northern Ireland would give due consideration to hosting the conference in 2016, albeit they are already committed to host the European Rally in the same year.
- 12.5 World IFYE Conference Thailand 2013: The World IFYE Conference will be held in Thailand from the 12th to 19th November 2013. Further information is available on www.worldifye2013.co.cc

13. Issues for the week

13.1 Update Contact Members List

Contact Members were requested to update their contact details on the circulated list.

13.2 Country Reports

Country Reports were circulated with the conference papers, were available on www.ifye.org and are displayed on the conference notice board.

13.3 Election of Office Bearers

President: Martyn Quayle (IoM): Elected in 2011 for a two-year term and will remain in post.

1st Vice President: Gerhard Steinberger (Aut): Elected in 2010 for a two-year term and offers himself for re-election.

2nd Vice President: A representative from Wales to be elected for a one-year term.

Secretary: Sally Young (Sco): Elected in 2011 for a two-year term and will remain in post.

Treasurer: Norbert Winkler (Aut): Elected in 2010 for a two-year term, term and offers himself for re-election.

Newsletter Editor: Hilde Riser (Nor): Elected in 2010 for a two-year term, and offers herself for re-election.

Auditors: Two representatives from Wales to be elected for a one-year term.

13.4 Tombola

The tombola will be held on Thursday morning immediately before the AGM. Gerhard will organise it with the baby IFYE's. Prizes to be placed in the box in reception. The ticket prices are: 1SK for one ticket or 5SK for 6 tickets.

13.5 Collection of Membership Fees

The fees to be collected by the Contact Members and given to Norbert before the AGM. The membership fees are 140 SEK Annual Member and 1685 SEK Lifetime Member. Incoming IFYE's attending the conference as part of their exchange trip are not required to pay the membership fee. **Action: All**

13.6 Apologies for Absence & Greetings Received

'Apologies for Absence' and 'Greetings Received' to be written on the appropriate sheet on the notice board. They will not be read out at the AGM. **Action: All**

14. Any Other Business

14.1 Edith Schroeder (Ger) sent an email in which she enquired if information regarding the travel plans of IFYE's interested in attending the World Conference would be circulated to all IFYE's. It was agreed that members were able to update each other via social network sites and that the Association did not intend to provide any further information.

14.2 Promotion of Association: Contact Members to discuss the promotion of the Association within their countries and report their findings. **Action: All**

14.3 Promotional Brochure: The preparation of a promotional brochure in pdf format, based on the conference brochure (excluding names and addresses), to be investigated and considered at the Mid Term Meeting. **Action: Sally**

14.4 Silver Pin: Contact Members were requested to check if they had any further potential silver pin and golden certificates recipients apart from those already known to Hilde. **Action: All**

Sally Young (Sco)

Secretary

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