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EUROPEAN ROTARACT INFORMATION CENTRE

MINUTES FROM THE BOARD &
COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES AUTUMN MEETING

REM CRACOW

CRACOW, SEPTEMBER 25TH 2021

MEETING MINUTES

AGENDA

FIRST SESSION

10:00 - 10:20

Opening

10:00	- 10:05	Anthems of Poland, Rotary & Europe
10:05	- 10:10	Welcome, Introduction and Presenting the Agenda
10:10	- 10:20	Country Call, Proxies

SECOND SESSION

10:20 - 11:20 Updates from the Board 2021-22

10:20	- 10:25	The Activities Planned for the Year and Status
10:25	- 10:30	Research
10:30	- 10:40	Presenting the Budget
10:40	- 10:50	Social
10:50	- 11:00	Marketing
11:00	- 11:10	IT
11:10	- 11:20	Questions and Answers

11:20 - 11:50 Discussion Topics

11:20	- 11:30	Make ERIC Famous Again
11:30	- 11:40	Rotaract Clubs and ERIC shared vision on Social Impact
11:40	- 11:50	It's all about the Information

11:50	- 12:05	Coffee Break
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THIRD SESSION

12:05 - 13:10 Voting Topics

12:05	- 12:10	Proposal from the CR France
12:10	- 12:15	Questions and Answers
12:15	- 12:20	Proposal Voting Topic 1 from the Board
12:20	- 12:25	Questions and Answers
12:25	- 12:30	Proposal Voting Topic 2 from the Board
12:30	- 12:35	Questions and Answers
12:35	- 12:45	Presentation of Candidates for REM Winter 2022
12:45	- 12:55	Questions and Answers
12:55	- 13:10	Voting

FOURTH SESSION

13:10 - 13:35 Updates from the Upcoming events:

13:10	- 13:20	Update on EuCo 2022 - HOC EuCo Riga
13:20	- 13:25	Questions and Answers
13:25	- 13:30	Special Announcement Social Officer
13:30	- 13:35	Questions and Answers

FIFTH SESSION

13:35 - 14:00 Closing

13:35	- 13:50	Open Mic
13:50	- 14:00	Announcement of Voting Results
14:00		End of Meeting

FIRST SESSION

10:10 – 10:15 Welcome, Introduction and Presenting the Agenda, Anthems of Poland, Rotary & Europe

President Christiane Leitner & Secretary Burak Küçük welcomed everyone to the meeting and announced the agenda for the meeting. The President also explained that Secretary Burak Küçük was motivated by the personal reasons of the Secretary (Honeymoon).

10:15 – 10:20 Country Call, Proxies

Secretary Burak Küçük does the country call and checks the presence of Country Representatives (in the following shortened to CRs) and the previously declared proxies for absent CRs. The following CR's and Proxys were present:

Country	Number of Rotaract Districts	CR 2021/22	Attending REM?	PROXY?
Albania	1	Alfonz Lazri	No	
Andorra	0	Jean MALTOR	Yes	
Armenia	0	Andria Nikolaidou	Yes	
Austria	2	Lukas Wieser	Yes	
Azerbaijan	0	Tural Sahiboğlu	No	
Belgium	4	Michel Jacques Verheyen	Yes	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	Rastko Zeljković	Yes (P)	Lukas Wieser
Bulgaria	1	Marina Zheleva	Yes	
Croatia	1	Iva Pernar	Yes	
Cyprus	1	Ioanna Gregoriades	Yes	
Czech Republic	1	Eliška Kavanová	Yes	
Denmark	5	Jesper Frits Nielsen	Yes	
Finland	6	Angeli Kumari-Ilieva	Yes	
France	18	Jean MALTOR	Yes	
Georgia	0	Jelena Cvetkovic	Yes (P)	Andria Nikolaidou
Germany	15	Katharina Weingärtner&Timo Beilmann	Yes	
Greece	2	Lina Tsagkaris	Yes	
Hungary	1	Flóra Varga	Yes	
Italy	14	Ferdinando Tarentini	Yes	
Latvia	1	Kārlis Bankovičs	Yes	
Lithuania	1	Mantas Jasiukaitis	Yes	
Liechtenstein	0	Michele Serra	Yes	

Luxembourg	0	Matteo Facchetti	Yes	
Monaco	0	Jean Maltor	Yes	
Montenegro	0	Marko Zinic	No	
Moldova	0	Dan Zagnat	No	Daniel Cosmin Lazar
North Macedonia	0	n.a	No	n.a
Norway	1	n.a	No	n.a
Poland	1	Marta Jagoda	Yes	
Portugal	2	Renata Costa Leite	Yes	
Romania	1	Georgia Rafaela Vusdea	Yes	
Russia	1	Evgeniya Borisenko	Yes	
San Marino	0	Giacomo Simoncini	Yes (P)	Ferdinando Tarentini
Serbia	1	Dimitrije Acevski	Yes (P)	Filip Milivojevic
Slovakia	0	Zina Škorňová	Yes	
Slovenia	1	Nina Kobal	Yes	
Spain	3	Elisa Costales Palomo	Yes (P)	Wasima Cherif El Morabiti
Sweden	6	Rasmus Ågren	No	
Switzerland	3	Michele Serra	Yes	
The Netherlands	7	Gerben Kloosterziel	Yes (P)	Michel Verleyen
Turkey	3	Tilda Acar	No	
Ukraine	1	Daria Shevtsova	Yes	
United Kingdom	14	Arianna Castro	Yes	
Total	119			

37 CRs or their proxies were present, representing 107 district votes.

SECOND SESSION

10:20 - 11:18 Updates from the Board 2020-21

10:20 -10:25 - Activities Planned for the Year and Status

It started with the presentation of the President by Christiane Leitner.

Updates regarding the following topics were given:

- MDIO 4 the Environment Talks with MED and Oceania;
- Committees - The President mentioned the committees will start working in October;
- Providing New Brand Book/Templates;
- Information Folders for the CR's.

10:25 - 10:28 - Research

Morten talked shortly about the future project, "research of Rotaractors." The concept is simple: Morten and his assistant Tereze will prepare a research project with interviews of Rotaractors across Europe to better understand what our members want and need from ERIC. Morten underlined that it is essential that the CRs help him and Tereze spread the word as soon as the project begins!

10:28 - 10:32 - Finance



It started with the presentation of the Treasurer, Heilmir Becker.

Updates regarding the following topics were given:

- Proposed Budget 2021-2022.
- Total Revenue regarding to ERIC Fees and Merchandise.
- Expenses regarding to Social, Merchandising, Marketing, IT.
- ERIC Costs regarding to Internal Trips, REM Cracow, REM Winter, EUCO 2022, Administration fees and Buffer.

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PROPOSED BUDGET 2021-2022

ACCOUNT BALANCE

Bank Statement 15-05-2021	8.036,01 €
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ESTIMATIONS

Revenue	8.351,00 €
Expenses	7.460,70 €
Net Income	890,30 €

REVENUE

ERIC FEES

	#	€	Total
REM KRAKOW	200	5,00 €	1.000,00 €
REM Winter	200	5,00 €	1.000,00 €
EuCo 2022	500	7,00 €	3.500,00 €
sub-total			5.500,00 €

MERCHANDISE

Polos (old)	26	10,00 €	260,00 €
Jackets (old)	12	18,00 €	216,00 €
Pins (old)	50	2,50 €	125,00 €
Polos	0	15,00 €	0,00 €
Jackets	80	25,00 €	2.000,00 €
Pins	50	5,00 €	250,00 €
sub-total			2.851,00 €
TOTAL REVENUE			8.351,00 €

EXPENSES

SOCIAL

	#	€	Total
TCA/BESP awards prizes	1	1.000,00 €	1.000,00 €
Social Project Promotion, certificates and awards	1	150,00 €	150,00 €
sub-total			1.150,00 €

MERCHANDISING

Jackets	100	20,00 €	2.000,00 €
Pins	50	2,50 €	125,00 €
Transportation of merchandise	12	40,00 €	480,00 €
sub-total			2.605,00 €

MARKETING

Training materials and promotion	1	250,00 €	250,00 €
sub-total			250,00 €

IT

Host for the voting tool	1	120,00 €	120,00 €
Server for booking tool	0	600,00 €	0,00 €
Domain	1	20,00 €	20,00 €
Hosting for webpage	1	100,00 €	100,00 €
Zoom Account	1	190,00 €	190,00 €
sub-total			430,00 €

ERIC COSTS

:: INTERNAL TRIPS

ERIC trips expected/unexpected	1	250,00 €	250,00 €
Strategic weekend	0	350,00 €	0,00 €
CR Weekend	1	400,00 €	400,00 €
sub-total			650,00 €

:: REM KRAKOW

ERIC Allowance	1	300,00 €	300,00 €
sub-total			300,00 €

:: REM Winter

ERIC Allowance	1	300,00 €	300,00 €
sub-total			300,00 €

:: EUCO 2022

ERIC Allowance	1	900,00 €	900,00 €
sub-total			900,00 €

ADMINISTRATION

Change of owners in the legal entity	1	100,00 €	100,00 €
Annual Report	1	12,00 €	12,00 €
Transfer fees (sumup & mollie)	1	100,00 €	100,00 €
Bank account maintenance fees	12	2,50 €	30,00 €
sub-total			242,00 €
Buffer 10%			633,70
TOTAL COSTS			7.460,70

10:32 - 10:38 - Social

The Social Officer Aleksandar Matic started his presentation showing the Social Project Pillars.

- Local Level such as Book Donation.
- ERIC Level such as BeeEurope Social Project
- Global Level such as Rotaract Peace Conference in Sarajevo

After that, the Social Officer Aleksandar detailed all the levels with examples of how the social projects can impact people, animals, the environment and society.

10:38 - 10:45 - Marketing

It started with the presentation of the Marketing Officer by Veronika Botsova. She introduced the Marketing Committee members: Rafal Rondera, Emanuela Venturini and Anna Sukiasyan.

She has also mentioned the importance of sharing, communication and collaboration. She gave a little bit of information about the upcoming Brand Book.

After that, she started to talk about Marketing Pillars, which are ERIC Website, marketing documents on the ERIC Website, ERIC News, LinkedIn account, Twitter account, Youtube account, ERIC Magazine and our merchandisers. Also, she spoke about the project template for those who want to share their projects with ERIC.

10:45 - 10:47 - IT

The IT Officer Rodrigo Luis started with an explanation of how is the Voting Tool works. After that, he told the CRs they received their Voting Credentials via e-mail.

10:47 - 10:56 Make ERIC Famous Again

It started with talks of the Marketing Officer Veronika Botsova about the projects that countries/districts and clubs are currently doing and the importance of sharing these projects with ERIC. To make sharing easier, she also mentioned the Project Template again.

After Veronika, President Christiane made a motivational talk about the importance of the projects and told them to share with ERIC, and ERIC is here to help them. Several of the CRs shared their feedback on how to improve the template to be more impactful. The renewed version will be available soon.

10:56 - 11:11 Rotaract Clubs and ERIC shared vision on Social Impact

It started with Social Officer Aleksandar Matic's talk to encourage people to share their projects. After this speech;

- CR of Belgium started to talk about a project from District 2130s about the children's. The 19 Rotaract Clubs from District 2130 planned an event series for children's to forget away from everything during this event started summer.
- District 2202 shared a project for homeless people. They helped the homeless people to reach hygiene and bought them soaps, shampoos etc.
- Lubinka shared a project about helping the people who had a disaster in Beirut. They helped repair the hospital, which was almost destroyed and provided the people affected by this disaster with food boxes.
- Michele Serra, CR of Switzerland, shared their Kids Camping project. And Katharina, CR of Germany, explained the project's history, such as this project started in 2008 in Germany and has continued since then. And Austria is also doing this project for several years.

11:11 - 11:17 It's all about the Information

It started with President Christiane's about a new guideline named 'How to ERIC'. She talked about the preparations and how important they are for the people. After that, she gave information about the Contact list for the DRRs. And then, she spoke about communication and how we can use these sources of Rotary.

11:18 - 11:55 Coffee Break and Networking

THIRD SESSION

11:55 Voting Topics:

11:55 - 12:01 - Adding a new point to the Role of the Secretary

Adapting 12 – The roles and responsibilities of each Executive Board member of the Code of Policy.

ACTUAL Situation:

Secretary - The Secretary's roles and responsibilities are:

1. Write the minutes of the General Assembly and all relevant meetings;
2. Manage the call for candidates for both E.R.I.C. Executive Board positions and HOC applicants for E.R.I.C. events;
3. Coordinate the voting process from the moment of request submission until the voting results announcement.

Proposal to be voted:

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3. Coordinate the voting process from the moment of request submission until the voting results announcement.
4. Publish the results of the votes, or the elections in the month following the meeting: specifying at least the quorum, the number of voters, the abstentions or blank votes, and the votes received by each of the candidates and proposals.

The audience asked about: Specify 'at least.'

And regarding this request, President Christiane told them, please join on the 'Legal Committee' to help us a better ByLaws.

12:02 - 12:12 - Option to Vote Online

Adapting 3.4 – Rules and Guidelines for voting and elections (Conditions and procedure

ACTUAL Situation:

The following points can only be covered by an 'official' vote by the E.R.I.C. Committee of

- Representatives during one of the official E.R.I.C. events;
- changes in the Statutes;
- changes in the Code of Policies;
- elections of the E.R.I.C. Executive Board;
- dismissal of a member of the E.R.I.C. Executive Board;
- election of future venues of E.R.I.C. Meetings and conferences.

Proposal to be voted:

Due to the current Pandemic situation that is affecting all World, the mentioned paragraph of article 3.3 - Country Representative roles and responsibilities (Conditions and procedure) of the Code of Policies of European Information Centre should be read as: The following points can only be covered by an 'official' vote by the E.R.I.C. Committee of Representatives during an official meeting online or in person.

The audience asked about Specify 'situations.'

And regarding this request, the board answered them 'how we can specify the situations how many people can expect the covid situation?' and told them this proposal just makes things a little bit easier and again told them the join 'Legal Committee'.

12:12 - 12:13 - Extend Applications for Events

Adapting 4.4 – How to apply?

ACTUAL Situation:

HOC candidates must send the bid documents **two months** before the meeting to the Secretary

Proposal to be voted:

Due to the extraordinary situation, the Country Representatives agree that any application received after the deadline for an in-person event, such as

- REM Autumn 2022
- REM Winter 2023
- EuCo 2023

are still valid. However, as soon as an application is received, a vote should be cast on the next General Assembly.

12:13 - 12:25 - REM Winter Candidate 2022

It started with The HOC Team Turin's presentation about their candidacy.

All presentations are attached to the minutes.

12:30 - 12:57 Voting and Open Mic

- ALexEurope
- NordRAC 2022 Announcement
- Bulgaria's Project about the couple who has a trouble having a child
- Open Mic Bansko's Project about the kids at hospital
- Finance Committee Call from Treasurer
- IT Committee Call from IT Officer

The voting tool was used with success.

- Adding a new point to the Role of the Secretary
 - Yes;
 - No;
 - Abstain.
- Option to Vote Online
 - Yes
 - No
 - Abstain.
- Extend Applications for Events
 - Yes
 - No
 - Abstain.
- REM Winter 2022.
 - Yes;
 - No;
 - Abstain.

FOURTH SESSION

12:58 – 13:08 - Updates from the Upcoming events:

12:58 – 13:08 Update on EuCo 2022 - HOC EuCo Riga & QA

The presentation is attached to the minutes.

13:08 – 13:11 - Announcement of Voting Results

- Adding a new point to the Role of the Secretary;

It's approved by 99.07% of the districts.

- Option to Vote Online

It's approved by 82.24% of the districts.

- Extend Applications for Events

It's approved by 97.20% of the districts.

- REM Winter 2022.

It's approved by 99.07% of the districts.

13:11 - 13:20 - Open Mic Global Polio Race

Marie from Spain presented the Global Polio Race project on 16-24th October 2021.

The presentation is attached to the minutes.

13:30 - End of Meeting

The meeting was closed by President Christiane with the wishes of seeing everyone in Turin in January.
