

Minutes of the teleconference of UEMS SCG board on 15.10.2014 at 13 CET

Present:

Ulf Kristoffersson, chair

Kristiina Aittomäki, secretary

Helen Kingston, treasurer

Béla Melegh

Feliciano J. Ramos

Andre Reis

Apologies: Milan Macek, Alessandra Renieri

1. The chair Ulf Kristoffersson opened the teleconference
2. The agenda of the meeting was circulated via email prior to the conference and confirmed.
3. Summary of Milan annual meeting, protocol has been sent out
4. Budget 2014-2015 and membership fees  
Helen had not received the email with contacts for membership fees, which Kristiina had sent, supposedly due to problems with hospital email firewalls. Helen and Kristina will solve this between them and Helen will be sending the UEMS forms for membership fees to a delegate of each country to forward to the organization, which is responsible for the payment. This differs for different countries
5. The web-site  
The web-site prepared by Béla is now ready for use and the contents were discussed. Ulf suggested that all board members would send a photo and 3-4 lines of themselves. Ulf will write a model for this. We will also include documents and protocols as well as minutes of the meetings.  
We could also include links to other professional organizations. Kristiina will send an email to the delegates to inform of this possibility.
6. Delegates to EBMG board and appointment of members of EBMG  
EBMG news include that the hospital geneticists/laboratory geneticists are ready to get their recognition. The counsellors and nurses application is on the second round.  
The EBMG clinical genetics section needs to be organized. The members of the section board are: Ulf as the chair, Feliciano as the representative of ESHG and other members of the board are Béla and Alessandra. Additional section members are Peter Turnpenny from UK and Beata Lipska from Poland.  
Andre suggested that a representative from the German speaking countries would be included in the board and will try to find a person for this.
7. EBMG work on the syllabus  
EBMG will work on the syllabus and Feliciano will receive the UK syllabus from Peter Turnpenny and the Italian syllabus from Alessandra. Feliciano will write a draft, which will be worked on by the section. Members of the working group on syllabus include Ulf, Feliciano, Alessandra, Peter Turnpenny, and Beata Lipska. The syllabus draft would hopefully be written by March 2015.
8. UEMS meeting in Granada Oct 16-18. Unfortunately we could not attend.

9. EACCME meeting in Brussels Nov 28-29

Feliciano will attend this meeting and will be reimbursed according to UEMS regulations. He will write a short report from the meeting.

10. Initiatives for ESHG meeting in Glasgow June 6-9 2014

- There will be a workshop on community genetics during the Glasgow meeting.
- Ulf will also try to organize a workshop on training and education for residents in clinical genetics. The syllabus draft would be needed by March 2015 for this.
- The section meetings will be organized as this year, on Friday before the ESHG meeting commences. The board meeting in the morning and section meeting after that.

11. AOB

- The section needs a formal email address so that the emails will not be sent to secretary's personal email. Kristiina will ask Jean-Baptiste, if UEMS organizes this.
- Ulf has suggested that the name of the Section of Clinical Genetics should be changed to include genomics. After discussion it was decided that this must first be discussed in the next section meeting in Glasgow and the suggestion for the new name would be: the Section of Clinical Genetics and Clinical Genomics. If the name is going to be changed, it must be taken to the UEMS council meeting for approval.

12. Next meeting

The tele meeting in November is cancelled. The next tele meeting will take place on December 17, 2014 at 13 CET.

13. Ulf closed the meeting at 13.50 CET