

Minutes of the 4. EFOSA Meeting, The Hague, Thursday, 8 June 1978 / 2. pm to 4.45 pm.

Attendance

1. France: Bolender, Attia
2. Britain: Wilson
3. Ireland: Flood (in the beginning: Duterloo)
4. Belgium: Gysel
5. Denmark: Caspersen
6. Germany: Schneemann, Bertzbach

Mr. Wilson gives up his office. Mr. Flood is not in a position to succeed him. A certain Mr. Bailey (?) is proposed and shall be approached. Mr. Wilson agrees to stay in office until clarification.

Mr. Duterloo announces that he has ceded his office to Mr. R. Bijlstra and proceeds to leave the room.

On the agenda:

The meeting notes the unauthorized absence of Italy.

1. Discussion on the directory

A decision must be taken whether a new edition of the directory should be published annually, every two years or every three years. An annual edition seems inappropriate (if one relates its necessity to the amount of work required and the costs involved). There is agreement on a new edition to be published every second year. Mr. Bolender wants it to be included into the "world directory". According to Mr. Bolender, this is only feasible if the directory is structured in accordance with the French section of the present EFOSA edition. We reiterate our reservations and say that this issue must first be considered within the BDK Executive. It has to be clarified whether the telephone number may be added to the address. Mr. Wilson intends to speak to his prospective successor Mr. Bailey who edits the world directory.

The printing costs are about DM 5,- per copy. The brochures will be sent to the state associations for further distribution. The costs are to be paid directly to the printing house.

Mr. Bolender has paid his secretary 6.165 new French francs for clerical work. These expenses will be divided up in the same proportions as the brochure costs and reimbursed to Mr. Bolender.

2. Constitution

As soon as it has been signed, the constitution will be sent to Mr. Gysel who will immediately arrange registration. Mr. Gysel points out that because of its international character this procedure will take a while ("cannot be had in a month").

3. Guidelines for postgraduate education in orthodontics:

Mr. Flood slowly reads out the draft he has elaborated, and at the end of each section we discuss our amendments or proposals for change. It strikes me that Mr. Flood has invested not only a lot of hard work, but also great care regarding professional politics in compiling this draft from the documents at his disposal (American Guidelines, BDK draft, Danish regulations on further vocational training). Our proposals are essentially taken up. On our suggestion, the first sentence of the "General Objectives" is modified in order to lessen the emphasis on "development" and facilitate the inclusion of areas which were neglected before (treatment of adults, preprosthetic care, functional strengthening of the mandibular joints, etc.). On Mr. Bijlstra's request, the formulation "should receive it from a specialist" is changed to "...practitioner", because otherwise Mr. Bijlstra fears difficulties in his dentists' association.

Just as the Guidelines as a whole, the statement on the top of page 5 (examining board) should be interpreted as a suggestion. On a state level, the exam committee responsible may be composed in a manner different from this proposal.

4. Any other business

There are plans for contacts with the FDI which Mr. Bolender intends to establish. However, we also want to establish relations within the individual countries.

The EFOSA can join the FDI. Annual membership fees amount to 100 US dollars. Membership gives us the right to send up to three observers to the FDI General Assembly Meeting, who, however, are not entitled to vote (if needed it is asked for). Mr. Gysel has certain reservations (100 dollars, but no vote). We stress, and Mr. Bolender agrees, that the presence of the EFOSA is of symbolic importance, and: "Whoever is not represented cannot be consulted."

The next meeting is due to assemble in Paris on 24 November 1978, 2 pm.

Signed: Dr. Bertzbach