

Minutes of the E.C. meeting in Paris, December 13, 2003

Present: Linda Schrey-Dern, Bent Kjaer, Louis Heylen, Tina Faber, Aileen Patterson, Josiane Jacobs, Joe Reynolds, and Birgitta Rosén-Gustafsson.

1. Opening of the meeting - and decision on the definitive agenda

Linda welcomed the members and declared the meeting open.
Agenda approved, with addition of "Tasks" under item 2.

2. Approval of the minutes of the Malmö meeting in October **Minutes were approved.**

The list of tasks was revised – and changed according to needs.

3. General information

a. The *Maastricht Colloquium*. AP participated, and has sent the draft report to all EC members. She raised the question of linguistic skills of SLTs, and this item was included in the report. It seems it is quite legitimate to request a linguistic test for migrant SLTs if estimated necessary.

Participation was rather expensive; but the money may be well spent, considering the fact that now SLT is mentioned in the report, in wordings concurrent with the CPLOL point of view.

> > > AP will make a summary of the report and the case law paper to inform the EC and the Educ. Comm.

b. Claudia Voigt has represented CPLOL at a ELSA conference in Strasbourg. ELSA is very interested in a closer co-operation. They want the possibility to link to cplol.org to give their members access to information about stuttering therapy on a national level.

> > > Decided that Linda will draft a letter to the CPLOL members about this issue.

4. Internal functioning

a. The *Paris office*.

> > > BK will contact Jacques Roustit concerning a renewal of the agreement with FNO on secretarial assistance etc. until next GA in 2005.

+ Inform LSD when the agreement has been signed.

> > > LSD will contact Minaze concerning the practical aspects of the office co-operation.

b. The *treasury*.

Josiane reported that this year's budget will not break even. She also mentioned that a number of delegates have their costs reimbursed individually, which is rather expensive as to bank fees. We will, again, encourage the delegates to make agreements with the member associations that the association pay in the first place, so that CPLOL will make only one reimbursement per country.

> > > BK will inform the delegates and associations that as of next week Joe Reynolds is the signatory treasurer. Settlements should be sent to Joe at: 20 Victoria Gardens, Horsforth, Leeds, LS 184 PH, GB.

c. *File number system*

> > > Decided to place the ape on BK's shoulder.

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5. Planning of projects for the mandate 2003 –2005

The proposal of LSD was discussed, and adjustments were made.

> > > LSD will circulate a revised version.

The plan will be translated into French – and distributed to members and delegates.

6. Commissions and working groups

a. Reports from the commissions / Projects

i. TF presented the list of databases. The 'design' was approved. BK will transfer the list to the web site immediately.

ii. List of journals: Some discussion... Agreed to place newsletters and 'mixed journals' under "Members" on the website. Ref. to the association's web site or to the specific website of the journal when such exists.

Under "Research / Documentation" we put peer reviewed scientific journals first and professional non-peer reviewed journals next.

Under each one of these lists there will be an easy possibility to report changes, adjustments, comments directly to VP-RDC and/or webmaster.

Once or twice a year the webmaster will ask all delegates or individuals directly about the correctness of the information.

b. Project "Quality Guidelines": We await further activity of TF and LSD.

c. Enlargement of CPLOL

["Slovenia" should be "Slovakia"] LH has had a letter from Latvia, after the Malmö meeting, telling that they want to join CPLOL. LH will start the normal procedure.

d. Revision of statutes

Taking into account the FNO proposal at the GA in October to admit associations of EFTA countries as full members, and the need of revision of the statutes due to the enlargement of the EU, it was decided –

1. that the EC members re-read the statutes looking for items for eventual revision;

2. that a coordination of these items be made at the February meeting in Leeds;
 3. that a letter be sent to all member associations asking them to mandate one delegate to join a working group on revision of statutes;
 4. that this working group will meet in Tallinn on Friday 14 May 2004, from 1 or 2 pm to 6 or 7 pm, the purpose being to discuss the items/questions presented by the EC and those brought by the delegates, and to present proposals for amendments to the EC;
 5. that the EC hereafter prepare a final proposal for amendments of the statutes – to be sent to all delegates before July 14, and to be voted on at the Extraordinary GA in October.
- e. Birgitta referred to the discussion in the prevention committee concerning the communication aids project. The wish from the committee was to print the report and send it to authorities within the EU. The EC found it to be a better solution to make it in a PDF-file and publish it via EDF with a link to the CPLOL web site. [Birgitta will contact Margaret Rosser about it.](#)
- f. Aileen informed of the request / idea to put the 'recognition poster' set up for the Edinburgh congress on the CPLOL website. [Aileen will send the existing jpg-files to BK, who will take responsibility to find a way of publishing the information.](#)

7. Publishing a 15 years book?

> > > [Decided not to publish!](#)

8. The 2003 Congress

- a. Final budget – is expected to be ready end of January.
- b. Proceedings – on the web site / for sale(?)
Since the agenda was drafted it has been decided, by email correspondence, to make the proceedings accessible on the web site. The CD-ROM is still for sale.
[> > > AP will prepare a public friendly version of her presentation at the Congress to be put on the web site.](#)

9. The 2006 Congress

- a. *Appointment of the Scientific Committee.* Principles: At least one DBL representative. Max. 7 persons in total.
[> > > Decided to appoint Wiebke Scharff, DBL, Pierre Dessailly, UPLF, Antonio Carvalhal, APTF, Kaisa Launonen, FAST, and Tina Faber, VP-RDC.](#)
- b. *Time schedule.* The list of tasks set up by TF was presented, with amendments of the president. The grid is now ready for filling in.
- c. *Budget items.* Fee setting principles were discussed. And it was mentioned that the fee should be below €200, preferably around €180.

10. NGO status

- a. New application. LSD will contact all delegates asking for further EYPD events besides the ones we already know of. LSD will send the application, from Aachen, in February 2004.
- b. BRG and Margaret Rosser are still working on the article but haven't found the right address for the journal "Family Observer". Birgitta will continue to search. The EC found that an article about child language development together with information about the leaflets would be the best to publish.

11. European Day of SLT

> > > Decided to accept the proposal of March 6 as the "European Day of Speech and Language". Discussion will continue concerning 'name' and mottos and practical 'details'. Also, the EC will work on an official recognition of the day as a "European Day".

12. Funding...

BRG showed us the first part of the funding application which has already been filled in with the help of JM Hild. JR will work on the first part of the big prevention funding application.

13. Cooperation between ASHA and CPLOL

The report of LSD about the visit to the ASHA convention has been circulated to the EC members. BK will send the final English version to Fréd for translation – and then send the report to all delegates for information.

14. Spanish laws on education of and umbrella organisation for SLTs

LSD informed about the contents of the texts.

The meeting was closed at 5.45 pm.

Keeper of the minutes: BK