

Executive Board Meeting NYGP 16/6/2019, Aalborg

Present: Oskar Lindfors (Sweden), Gudrun Sigurdadottir (Denmark), Kati Lempinen (Finland) Annika Kolster (Finland), Tinna Karen Arnadottir (Iceland), Berglind Gunnarsdottir (Iceland), Ingvild Vatten Alsnes (Norway), Katrina Tibballs (Norway)

Minutes taken by Katrina Tibballs

1. We had a brief evaluation of the pre-congress that was completed immediately before the board meeting. The HOC has worked independently and very well. Our immediate impression is that the pre-congress has been a success, both the content of the program and the social networking, which are both important elements for NYGP and the pre-congress. Evaluation forms have been collected and Gudrun will go through these and include the results from them in her report from the pre-congress.
2. The chairmanship of the NYGP Executive Board was handed over at the closing of the pre-congress from Denmark by Gudrun Sigurdadottir to Ingvild Vatten Alsnes and Katrina Tibballs representing Norway. They will hold the chairmanship until the next pre-congress in Stavanger June 15-16 2021.
3. Recruitment to the NYGP Executive Board. Norway, Finland and Iceland all have two representatives to the Executive Board. From Denmark, Christina Svanholm has retired from the Board and Gudrun is looking into the best way to elect the next representatives through the Danish organisation. Sweden has not had any representatives the last period. Oskar Lindfors from Sweden was invited and kindly agreed to attend this board meeting and we will look into further recruiting from Sweden. Each country has a different process for electing board members.
4. The NFGP has allocated 50 000 DKK to NYGP for the academic year 2018/2019. The Executive Board has held one meeting in Copenhagen in August 2018 and this meeting in Aalborg in June 2019. The travel and accomodation for these meetings have been financed by the national colleges or employers, so the total expenses for the board have been small. In addition, we have spent money on gifts for the 8 members of the HOC for the Aalborg pre-congress. However, all other expenses for the work of the HOC have been covered by FYAM, the Danish College for Young GPs. Although the NYGP Executive Board has not spent its total budget for this period, we will apply for this amount for next year also. Denmark is the only country with such an organisation for young doctors and the other Nordic countries cannot expect to have all the costs of the HOC's work covered by their college. Also, we will continue seeking financing from our national colleges for future Executive Board meetings, but we wish to draw from the NFGP funding if board members cannot obtain such funding nationally.
5. We agreed that the members holding the Executive Board leadership are responsible for setting up a budget.
6. We wish to hold a yearly General Assembly in conjunction with the NFGP General Assembly which is held each April in Copenhagen. We have drawn up an agenda for this General Assembly and Ingvild Vatten Alsnes will send an application to the NFGP for all NYGP Executive Board members to attend.

7. Communication. We have a Facebook group for the NYGP Executive Board. Many former members of the board are still members of this group. Administrator rights for this group will now be transferred from former board member and member of the chairmanship for Denmark, Christina Svanholm to current member of board and chairmanship for Norway, Katrina Tibballs. The group will from now on be exclusive to current board members. We also wish to use Google Groups as a communication platform and Google Drive to share documents.

8. We discussed future plans and objectives for the NYGP. Our main product is the pre-congress. Katrina and Ingvild are starting work on preparing this, planning the content and putting together a HOC. In addition, we want to use our network to compare specialist training systems and organizing of general practice in the Nordic countries. We want to focus on the elements of specialist training and organization of general practice that work well and which are most challenging in each country. These topics will be addressed in future board meetings, pre-congresses and on the communication platforms. The results of such comparisons can later be published and used as a resource for policy work in our national organizations.