Board Meeting

Minutes

21 May, 2019

Beginning: 17:30

End: 21.00

Venue: NNHQ German Delegation

Attending persons:

* Serge Devynck (President)
* Berthold Malms (Bazaar-Coordinator)
* Erin McCoy (Treasurer)
* Nevena Sic (Charity Team)
* Karine De Koninck (Charity Team)
* Stacey Gingrich (Charity Team, Guest Coordinator)
* Thomas Baldzuhn (Restaurant Team)
* Bernadette Nguyen (Restaurant Team)
* Baros Szabina (Secretary, Teen Coordinator)

Absent persons:

* Anja Malms (Vice-President)
* Lara Ronayne Casimiro (Sponsorship Coordinator, Webmaster)
* Petra Havrankova (Tombola Coordinator)
* Olivia Ronayne Casimiro (Membership Coordinator)
* Yurii Senchuk (Restaurant Team)

President

* Opens the meeting
* Meeting minutes will be approved after the 3rd presentation of charities, in one complete attachment

Bazaar Coordinator

* Lessons Learnt chart is under construction, it will be sent out to Nations before the summer break

Belgian Charities Update by Karine

No. 2 – Le Rayon D’Espoir

* Provided new overview of costs, one 129 EUR, they ask for material for 75 toilets
* Decision of Board: yes

No. 4 – Pinocchio

* no answer from them yet, Serge will call them, Karine gives him the phone number
* Still on-hold

No. 6 – V-Europe (Victim care)

* Serge asked them to give the cost breakdown on phone, info: the victims they want to support, live in Belgium. They have not specified how to spend money yet. Karine will write to Philip@
* Still on-hold

No. 7 – Peluche:

* They work together with 15 foster homes in Brussels and in Namur. The leisure activities are for „passengers” (kids aged 3-6 ys and those who has no family visits at all), on weekend or after-school. Quality time for one child individually, like a big-sister so that they can feel what is it like to go out with family
* Decision of Board: yes

No. 9 – IRIF (training nurses)

* No answer
* Still on-hold

No. 10 – SAFE

* They corrected the numbers
* Decision of Board: yes

No. 11 – Junior

* They are an umbrella organization, they sent a detailed description of their activity. They would like to use our donation generally, not connected to one specific project, we will ask for a project and place (e.g. summer camp in Brabant)
* Decision of Board: yes, if they provide the data

No. 12 – ACDA

* Dining room in the Andes: 60 children capacity, mistake on the original documents: they will need 60 chairs instead of 6
* Decision of Board: yes

International Charities

* Stacey summarizes the applications from applying international organizations (part 1.)

GREECE

**No. 3: Therapeutic technologies for children on the autism spectrum**

* Activity: installation of internet network to be able to do workshops with modern technology (aiming at vocational skilfulness) and gym equipment for physical and functional development of kids
* Issues: they ask for 4 days staff fee for installation and build the internal network - we approve, they cannot do without it, pricing is reasonable
* Decision of Board: **yes, including installation fee**

UKRAINE

**No. 4: Therapeutic technologies for children on the autism spectrum**

* Activity: implementation of digital piano, interactive floor with a game system, audio system, vocal audio therapy to a pre-school.
* Issues: missing equity (in Ukraine donation is not considered as income for non-profit organisations), they sent a financial report. Equity and revenue are needed, Stacey will go back to them, project otherwise is a good one
* Decision of Board: **on-hold**

SLOVAKIA

**No. 9: Oz Roiko Charity - Hope Dies Last**

* Activity: building a big playground for children with disabilities (aim: development of athletic and disciplines)
* Issue: no revenue and equity, because head of the organisation used her own money so far. The full amount of the project is EUR 15.000, she will not be able to build it without the missing 5.000, she answered she would buy some components then only. Former Slovakian NR’s own project.
* Decision of Board: **yes**

CZECH REPUBLIC

**No. 8: The Art of Accompanying Endowment - Hospice movement**

* Activity: they need an oxygenator and an automatic dosage system, plus 4 adjustable beds to remove pain and unpleasant symptoms of final stages of serious diseases for people in a hospice home
* Issue: -
* Decision of Board: **yes**

**No. 10: Centrum Locika**

* Activity: therapy for children affected by domestic violence, they ask for 200 hs therapy (39EUR/h), materials, noise cancelling door, chairs
* Issue: are these hours enough to make any difference?
* Decision of Board: **reserve list**

**No. 14: Perinatal Hospice Baby in Heart**

* Activity: they need handmade blankets for Memory boxes for free distribution to hospitals, to those parents, whose babies pass away during pregnancy or shortly afterwards – they ask for the price of yarn, the blankets will be knitted by prisoners. Big impact for little money.
* Issue: yarn can also be collected as donation from citizens, otherwise a good project
* Decision of Board: **reserve list**

**No. 16: Vitej ops - Welcome in the garden project**

* Activity: to build irrigation system, fence for a garden that is used by low functioning autistic persons, the garden is attached to the care home. Irrigation system, collecting rainwater – could be used for longer time, environment friendly, less water fee to be paid, long term good.
* Issue: -
* Decision of Board: **yes**

ITALY

**No. 12: The Lorenzo’s House**

* Activity: people who lost someone or are living with a cancer disease – the association provides paid psychologist, nutritionist, social worker, lawyers form them and rents an apartment
* Issue: they ask for donation to cover rental fee, heating, water, electricity, telephone bill, psychological invoices and nutritional invoices. We don’t pay cost.
* Decision of Board: **no**

**No. 23: The Wings of Friendship**

* Activity: for youngsters without family, with social exclusion problems - aim is to give them the values of friendship and recreational workshops, they want to have tents as location to meet and carry out activities
* Issue: not paying for courier (650 eur), otherwise the materials are okay
* Decision of Board: **yes, except for the courier**

**No. 24: Technology and Autism - Il filo dalla Torre**

* Activity: they need IT tools and IT programs for developing children and youngsters living with autism
* Issue: too high equity
* Decision of Board: **no**

**No. 32: Tuk-Tuk Mobile Library Project**

* Activity: Cambodia, to spread joy of reading, to buy a tuk-tuk and books for distribution, they ask for costs for 12 months
* Issue: breakdown of budget is not clear. Stacey will call the NATO responsible to clear some questions, like timeframe (written 2019 June), explain the tuk-tuk (we don’t pay for it and its insurance, gasoline, etc.)
* Decision of Board: **on-hold**

PORTUGAL

**No. 18: Pharmacy and specialized milk – Banco do Bebé**

* Activity: medicines, vaccines, specialized milks and other pharmacy products to pregnant women and babies
* Issue: what women, families are they? No details if they are special for any reason. Stacy will call them about who are the target exactly (minority? homeless? sick?) Otherwise could be okay. Did we sponsor them earlier?
* Decision of Board: **on-hold**

**No. 19: COJ - Abrigo Seguro**

* Activity: Youth Occupational Centre in Porto, this project aims at kid in danger of social exclusion, skill development, and social inclusion in general, showing other possibilities of life.
* Issue: their priority is “food expenses” for EUR 5.000
* Decision of Board: **no**

**No. 27: COJ - Oasis das Sesacoes - Madeira**

* Activity: to improve the space and technical aid in a special room for improving sensory skill for people with cerebral diseases.
* Issue: too high equity and revenue
* Decision of Board: **no**

**No. 29: Olivais Em Ferias**

* Activity: disabled youngsters, to prepare them for independent life, resident summer camp
* Issues: they ask for caregiver cost on 1:1 basis, meals and insurance.
* Decision of Board: **yes, except for insurance cost**

SPAIN

**No. 22: Gerasa Home**

* Activity: Shelter house for AIDS patients in Andalusia
* Issue: not complete application document, only the mission statement arrived until the 1 May deadline, revenue is too high, no clear answer to minimum requested (“any”)
* Decision of Board: **no**

**No. 41: Padaria Miani**

* Activity: they want to open a bakery in an orphanage in Mozambique – they would provide bread for the orphanage, a polytechnic school and for a whole village, and also the women, who will sell the products
* Issue: need machines and trays
* Decision of Board: **yes to maximum priority amount**

IRELAND

**No. 28: Beads of Courage**

* Activity: arts in medicine supportive care, aiming at children better understanding and coping with cancer diagnosis and treatment. They get beads after each treatment milestone and prepare a long necklace, while supported by a Play Specialist
* Issue: -
* Decision of Board: **yes**

USA

**No. 31: Desks for Paradis des Indiens**

* Activity: to provide desks to elementary schools in Haiti destroyed by a hurricane
* Issue: where are the desks from? From a local carpenter – good, because it is local market
* Decision of Board: **yes**

GERMANY

**No. 37: 3rd National Training Camp, Bananenflankenliga**

* Activity: football camp for children with mental disabilities, they can train with real footballers, 3 days long
* Issue: not a long-term investment into these kids - yes, it is, they practice during the year as well
* Decision of Board: **yes for the full amount**

ARMENIA

**No. 44: Women’s Power**

* Activity: an NGO youth organization, offering information courses on law, human rights, social entrepreneurship, skill development classes to women
* Issue: there is no information on equity and revenue, time frame, dates are unclear, who are the beneficiaries exactly, what is the aim. Stacey will ask: is there a certificate, what is the goal after having it? Timeframe? Do they have money to be an entrepreneur? What support is provided after the classes? What skills do they want to develop? How many hours/days take the classes? Equity and revenue
* Decision of Board: **on-hold**

President

* Next week’s Bake Sale: Erin will help Anja, and probably Nevena can join
* Gives some instruction to new Board members on how to prepare GAM presentation
* Asks Karine to organise the visits to BE charity organisations
* Closes the meeting

Brussels, Dated as above

Minutes keeping: Baros Szabina