

ESBP Board Meeting
5-23-08

Present :

Germany: Jeff Gordon and Konni Stauss, *Sweden:* Eva Barkman and Anna Johanneson;
Portugal : Domingos Neto and Theresa Correia; *Flemish-Dutch:* Martien Kooyman and Johan Maertens ; *Italy:* Silvio Quirico and Lina Pontari.
Invited: Peter Geerlings and Moniek Van Deile.

Swiss and *French* chapter missing

***Approval** of record from last year

***Ethical guidelines** developed by Peter Geerlings.

Needed for Association of European Association of Psychotherapy
1997 first discussed in Amsterdam at the conference.

Peter looked at code for body psychotherapists and used it as basis, minor changes to it. Body psychotherapy code of ethics very well elaborated.

We need code for Europe, chapter and institute. Get comments from chapters over next three weeks (June 14), rise and send out at end of June then send code to EAP in July.

Agree to use code drafted as basis for primary elements and language for code
If approve then need to follow the rules in every country and flow down to individual.

Old code (American) will be dropped and new one take its place from 1st of July..
America not have code since use code for state and type of therapy—will discuss in ASBP board meeting

***Credentialing**

Went over slides on concept

Vote on points systems concept—get vote from ESBP board to know if proceed with this approach

Keep criteria for institute therapist or therapist vs psychotherapist to account for different countries

Training- Jeff send translation of German requirements for Fellow regarding new theory as a minimum

Not go with concept of two levels of TF

Consider different levels of membership—one for experienced therapists who want to use concept without mat work, fellow, bonding specialist who knows new theory.

Johan encourage all chapters to take Konni training, concern that it looks too much like a Konni-American deal and others then resist. Konni invited all TF in all chapters to work together.

Criteria will at the minimum include the new theory as published in the book and the topics, subject for training in the society will be determinate.

***Accounts**

Need to get all financial reports integrated and in euro's for tax control in Belgium.

Americans need to get accounts with ISBP settled

ESBP has over **20.165 euro** in capital; **722.33 euro** in checking account

See attachment

Accounts approved

Membership fees.

Germany proposes to reduce fee from chapter to ESBP by 20%

Need a budget which does not exist yet, need to make a budget for 2009

especially since ISBP conference, Johan sees no problem with reduction for 2009 and during 2009 make budget for ESBP-passed. In 2009 at the occasion of the budget approval the membership fees for 2010 will be reconsidered.

***Constitution of Board**

Johan took on the presidency with focus of by-laws and member of EAP and nearly finished so Johan wants to have election for new president and open all the functions of board: President, VP, secretary and treasurer—and need to have candidates proposed and voted on in written board meeting, discuss with chapters. The next European president will also be the international president.

***International conference**

Belgium 2009 combined with ETC – not to be sponsored by De Sleutel and no conference in 2009 in Belgium since Flemish-Dutch no energy and EFTC has Martien and Peter taken up, EFTC said we could join them.

Maybe Germany at Bad Grönenbach or Godehart's clinic

If does not work out then ESBP meeting and ISBP in 2010, try to do on May 30, 31 time frame

Take option on VV for same dates in 2009 for ESBP in case Germany does not work.

***Konni proposal** to expand understanding of BP beyond mat work to work consistent with theory—like psychodynamic used to be couch and is so much more now—therapy not linked to intervention

Define bonding psychotherapy not just bonding

More than technique although for us will always be tied to technique

Take group out of definition

Allows those who don't do mat work to still be called BP therapist

Konni to send Johan how exactly this would be incorporated into definition.