

Location Vilnius, Lithuania
Date 24th September 2011

Present members: Alexander Plahr (AP), Mette Lykke Nielsen(MLN), Vedrana Gujic(VG), Jeroen Diepemaat(JD) and Claudia Benchescu (CB)

Non present members: Matilda Flemming (MF) and Mireia Huerta i Sala(MHS)

Others Present: Slaven Klobucar (SK)

1. Opening and regularia

AP presented the agenda which was adopted unanimously. The meeting is called in due time and quorum has been reached.

2. Follow up of the decisions from the last Bureau meeting

MLN said that she is still working on the Buddy program and on the LYMEC Congress Alphabet but it should be done soon. JD has sent in the New Libertas material but due to a very busy period SK and MLN will not be able to finish this issue by Autumn Congress, so the regular issue will be published in December. AP will join and help with the regular issue. Other decisions and tasks distributed on the last bureau meeting have been either completed or are close to being completed.

3. Updates on open points

Membership applications

AP said that we have received one observer membership application from Liberal Club from Belarus, one full membership application from Youth of LDP from Serbia and two postponed applications from our Congress in Ljubljana, both for applicant membership: JLA, Lithuania and EYU, Ukraine.

AP said that he has sent couple of questions to EYU on which they have answered. EYU expressed interest to reform their organisation and in that light AP proposes that the LYMEC Bureau supports their application for applicant membership in LYMEC with the condition that they carry on with the reform of their organisation on the upcoming statutory events of EYU, as there are a number of worrying points in their statutes right now. The Bureau agreed.

Regarding JLA, Lithuania, there have been no developments and no contacts, even though Matilda tried to arrange a meeting in Vilnius. The Bureau postpones the decision about support to JLA's application until Barcelona Bureau meeting.

AP said that we got an application for the Observer membership from Liberal Club, Belarus. SK is in charge of checking if the application is complete and to verify that they have attended our events in past. The Bureau postpones the decision about support of LC's application until Barcelona Bureau meeting.

We have also received application for full membership from Youth of LDP, Serbia. VG said that their application is complete. The Bureau supports their application. CB will visit LDP in October in Belgrade.

Autumn Congress

AP said that the contract has not yet been signed and that it has to be done in the coming week. VG said that she contacted MHS and JNC proposed Jori Ricart as the chair. SK should check the offers for the sweaters as a gift for the Autumn Congress.

ELDR Congress

LYMEC has offered the delegates one extra night in Palermo due to the lack of connections. Tomas de Jager has not yet replied to VG's calls while other delegates confirmed their participation. JD was asked to call Tomas. AP said that the delegation has submitted three resolutions. VG asked to change members of the ELDR delegates' mailing list to also include substitute delegates that will be in Palermo, SK is in charge.

New Libertas – next regular issue

This point has been discussed under agenda point 2. VG proposes that the new Editor in Chief starts from scratch and develops New Libertas independently from the old template, the Bureau agrees.

4. Any other Business

CB said that she asked Stanislav from YMRF to help out with contacts with LiDem from Macedonia. VG tried to contact them as well.

AP said that YMRF cancelled the observer mission in Bulgaria but the YMRF is thankful to LYMEC's good will.

CB and MLN said that there is no progress with ELSN. CB said that TNL will propose a project of creating an online platform or a brochure to boost the cooperation of liberal student organisation in Europe. Bureau supports the idea and asks CB to check if an election of a new ELSN Board could be done before the expiry of the current mandate.