



AGENDA MEETING OF THE PRESIDIUM

JUNE 10TH 2010, 6.00 PM IN STRYZOW (POLAND)

Invited are:

- Frans Ronnes, president
- Karl Grammanitsch, vice-president
- Annette Savin or Martine Garnier
- Jette Johnsen
- Lucien Majerus
- Valeria Flachbartova
- Sandra Hengl (executive treasurer)
- Helma van Drunen (executive secretary)

1. Welcome.

2. Minutes of the presidium meetings in Strzyzow on Friday December 4th, Saturday December 5th and Sunday December 6th 2009.

[See attachment 1](#)

TO DECIDE:

Approval of the minutes from December 4th, 5th and 6th 2009

3. Involvement of Charter members.

During the meeting in Strzyzow in December 2009 the members talked about this subject and agreed the following:

- Helma will send a statement to all Charter members about the obligation to participate in multi annual projects.
The statement was send to all members in December 2009 [See attachment 2](#)
- Frans will contact Ben Murphy to ask if it's useful to visit the British mayor.
Frans contacted Ben and offered help, but it was not necessary at this moment.
- Frans sends a letter to Daniele Fantechi and Chris Said about the problem of the high travel costs of Nadur.
Frans wrote a letter to Chris Said and did receive a confirmation, but no answer yet.

Again the presidium needs to talk about Charter members who do not accomplish the agreements of the Charter multi annual meetings concerning:

a. The number of participants.

Time and time again delegations are smaller than agreed. Or, the other way around, members come, or ask if they can come, with more than the agreed number of participants.

b. The kind of participants.

Participants should be various, not always the same people. Moreover (especially at the smaller meetings) participants should be involved in the theme.

c. The ages.

The multi annual project of the Charter is not a trip for the family. So it's not allowed to let children participate.

d. Friends of Europe.

The presidium has to discuss the question: do Friends of Europe organisations in the member communities have to have a link to the official authorities (municipalities)?

TO DECIDE:

1. How do we again approach the members who do not accomplish the agreements?
2. Do Friends of Europe organisations in the member communities have to have a link to the official authorities?
3. Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting.

4. (Too) Many Charter activities

The Charter organises the meetings within the multi annual project. Moreover Charter members organise other bi- and multilateral meetings. Discussion about the kind and the number of Charter activities. How does the presidium think about it? Recommendation of the presidium will be discussed in the mayors meeting.

TO DECIDE:

1. Point of view of the Presidium regarding the kind and the number of Charter activities.
2. Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting.

5. The last part and rounding of the Multi Annual Project

There are still 3 meetings to go of the multi annual project 2009 / 2010.

- Conference on participation in local democracy. September 10th – 12th in Moravce.
Invited are: Nagycenk, Lasse, Stary Poddvorov, Medzev, Desborough, Nadur, vice-president and executive treasurer. 5 persons from each of these members.
- Workshop of the youngsters. October 29th – 31st in Kandava.
Invited are: Lasse, Naestved, Esch, Bucine, Lefkara, Luxemburg, Nagycenk, president and executive secretary. 2 persons from each of these members.
- Conference on elderly people. November 12th – 14th in Lasse.
Invited are 2 persons from each Charter member

Karl and Sandra will give information about this conference in the mayors meeting, particularly regarding kinds of participants.

a. Evaluation of the multi annual project till so far.

The presidium has to prepare an evaluation of the multi annual project for the mayors meeting. For items: see newsletter 17. [See attachment 3](#)

b. Accountability.

During the summer Frans and Helma will make a start with the accountability for Brussels. That includes a financial overview, the signed participation lists of all meetings and a report of the content. In Strzyzow all members should agree to give full cooperation if needed.

TO DECIDE:

1. Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting regarding the items for the evaluation
2. Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting regarding an agreement of cooperation off all members on the accountability.

6. Progress of the applications networks of twinned towns

The municipality of Haaren applied for the networks of twinned towns program in Brussels. It concerned two applications: one for the Charter and one for the youngsters of the Charter. Results were published on May 20th. The European Commission has approved the Charter application and rejected the application for the Charter youth. Helma will show a presentation about the different possibilities there are now. The presidium has to make a proposal for the mayors meeting.

TO DECIDE:

Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting: the next steps for the period 2011 / 2012.

7. Succession of presidium members

Can the presidium prepare a proposal regarding the succession of presidium members in the (near) future?

TO DECIDE:

Proposal of the presidium to the mayors meeting regarding the succession of presidium members.

8. Finance of the Charter.

Sandra will give an overview Sandra of the finances of the Charter.

9. Charter youngsters

The Charter youngsters are invited to give a report of their activities in the mayors meeting on Sunday.

10. Website www.europeancharter.eu

Members of the website team, present in Strzyzow, are invited to the mayors meeting on Sunday to tell something about the developments.

11. Member from Bulgaria.

Maglzh has participated in the meeting Bucine in February and they were very enthusiastic. The presidium should propose the mayors meeting to appoint Maglzh as the Bulgarian member of the Charter.

TO DECIDE:

Proposal for the mayors meeting to appoint Maglzh as the Bulgarian Charter member.

12. Contacts in Brussels.

a. European Movement International.

Frans and Helma made a proposal for a joint project with EMI.

We have not heard yet if EMI wants to do the joint project with the Charter at the beginning of 2011.

The Charter is invited to mr. Diogo Pinto, secretary general of EMI on August 30th in Brussels. Frans, Karl, Helma and Sandra will go there.

Mr. Diogo Pinto or mr Charles Kleinermann (second secretary general) from EMI will participate in the Charter meeting in Moravce in September 2010. (Moravce agreed)

b. Claudia Mondino / Europe for Citizens program.

Claudia Mondino from the Europe for Citizens Program has participated in the meeting in Bucine in February 2010.

13. Guideline "Friends of Europe" organisations.

During the workshop "Friends of Europe" in Hepstedt from November 13th – 15th the participants made guidelines for the establishment of such an organisation.

[See attachment 4](#)

The mayors meeting should approve this document.

TO DECIDE:

1. Comment of the presidium on the guideline.
2. Recommendation to the mayors meeting.

14. Other matters to discuss.