

**Minutes from the General Assembly
December 29th 2009. Skype.**

Present at the meeting:

Gheorghe Zugravu
Mjellma Mehmeti
John Petersen

1. Election of Chairman and Secretary

The members present at the GA elect John Petersen as chairman of the meeting and Mjellma Mehmeti as a secretary.

2. Statement of the ACC

The chairman of the board John Petersen presents to the GA the information about what has happened in the last year.

2.1. In November the ACC Latvia (ACC Tautskolas Eiropai) carried out a project in Spain attended by elderly people from Latvia, Denmark and Spain. The ACC considers it a possible pilot-project for a European-wide "Parents' Community College."

2.2. A facebook fansite is now used for forwarding invitations that we receive at the ACC Office and ACC-mail-addresses. Currently there are 323 fans.

2.3. The ACC Bulletin has got a new format. News is uploaded to the website as the first. An rss-feed-option makes it possible to get the news, when it is still new. Now and then the news are compiled and forwarded in a newsletter to the members and some more.

2.4. The new ACC-address is:
Postbox 219, DK-8300 Odder

2.5. ACC Tautskolas Eiropai has planned another project for summer 2010 and probably a follow up on the mentioned project in Spain.

2.6. As reported at the GA 2008 there has been a dispute between the EU-Commission (via EACEA and previously TAO) and the ACC on financial issues concerning the Transylvania CC 2003. Through the autumn 2008 we did not manage to make EACEA explain, (a) why they demanded a repayment of an amount of 2364 EUR. We then took it to the ombudsman together with (b) an old dispute on some travel reimbursement amounts of the very same project. In this case ACC's position is that the EU-Commission has not paid us enough - to make it short. Both cases were admitted by the EU-Ombudsman and they are still in the process.

Chairman of the GA

Mjellma Mehmeti
Secretary of the GA

Gheorghe requested clarification and more information on the upper agenda point (2.6.). The information and a chronological review of the matter were provided by John.

2.7. The ACC contributed to the EU-Commission's public consultation on the Green Paper on promoting the learning mobility of young people. The contribution can be found on the website <http://www.acc.eu.org/SEEEMS/4618.asp>

The GA agrees with the report.

3. Approval of Accounts

A copy of the accounts is distributed and each item is explained by John Petersen. The accounts were approved by the GA

4. Election of Board Members.

The terms of four board members, Dasa Bolcina, John Petersen, Mjellma Mehmeti and Emma Holland expired. They were re-elected, even if Dasa and Emma in absentia.

Two members had been proposed for the position of substitute board member and both Elisabeth Alber and Erik Jentges were elected.

5. Auditor election.

Lars Rasmussen was re-elected as internal auditor of the ACC accounts.

6. Proposals received.

There were no proposals received before the meeting.

7. Site for GA 2010.

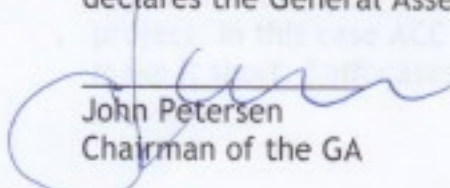
The board is unable to point at where and when the next GA will take place. It is considered, if Latvia is an option.

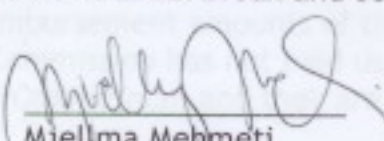
8. AOB

John suggested that the association members and the Board should consider the idea of renaming, or modifying the name of the Association for Community Colleges, as in the past it has created confusion resembling a concept very different from its own already existing in the United States. However, the acronym ACC should be preserved, since it is a recognizable 'brand' used by most of the members and partners of the organization. This matter certainly needs broader consultation, thorough considerations and, non the less, a lot of creativity. It could be a point to be assessed in the next GA.

9. Minutes approved.

The minutes are approved by the General Assembly after a small break and John Petersen declares the General Assembly closed.


John Petersen
Chairman of the GA


Mjellma Mehmeti
Secretary of the GA