14th Board Meeting December 30th 2001 Aabenraa, Denmark

The following persons were present:

Siebren de Boer, Board member Linda Jakobsone, Board member Mjellma Mehmeti, Board member Jesper Nielsen, Treasurer John Petersen, Chairperson Eva Valvo, Board member (Secretary)

Excused:

László Dani Conchi Gallego Ágota Illyés

1.- Opening of the board meeting

The board meeting is opened at 19:00.

It is agreed upon, that Eva will be the secretary of the meeting.

2.- Approving of the last times minutes

The minutes of the last board meeting are approved unanimously, since there are no comments about them.

3.- Since last meeting

Ruben:

John asks if there are any questions or comments about Ruben giving up his internship at the Office.

Mjellma says that the Board should regret the episode, since after all Ruben has done a god job.

There are no other comments.

Youth 2002:

John informs the Board about the good progress of the project and about the changes since the last face-to-face board meeting in May. The Danish Youth Council has asked to co-operate in the project, which will last 2 weeks instead of 3 (from June 30th to July 13th 2002). The funding is proceeding well. The planning of the Youth 2002 requires a lot of communication, because many partners are involved, and this is possible thanks to the brilliant facilities on the

web-site, including a database of more than 3500 European addresses available for all the partners. It is planned to gather about 1000 participants and there are already 150 applications. The Danish paper "Mandag Morgen", published by a research Institute and read by Danish decision-makers, wants to co-operate with the Youth 2002 by making a report on the project. John says also that, since the Danish Government is behind the Youth 2002, it could be possible to start a tradition for the next EU-presidencies.

Portal on Globalisation:

John informs that the ACC is co-operational partner in a project for creating a web-site with documents about globalisation. The project was part of the Youth 2002, but now is autonomous.

Minority Course 2002 - East/West:

Jesper tells about the new format of the Minority Course 2002, which won't deal with minority issues any more and will be called East/West. The ACC is not formally a partner of the project, but can certainly contribute in some way.

Annual:

John says that the writing of the Annual is stopped since it was Ruben, who was working on it and he quitted the internship at the Office.

4.- Accounts survey

John notifies that the balance for this year is about 90.000 €.

5.- Reconstitution of the Board - future

Jesper says that he doesn't want to be the treasurer any more, so somebody else should take his place. He could also quit the Board, if someone is willing to replace him.

John can also imagine himself not being the chairperson any more, even if he will still be working on ACC-projects. Therefore, he has been thinking about a future chairperson. He thinks that chairperson and treasurer should live in the same country, so maybe it could be two Latvians or László and Ágota. He has asked László if he is willing to be the next chairperson, but László has answered that he has not energy enough. The reconstitution of the Board has to be thought of also in connection with the office-situation: the board of the Højskolen Østersøen is not enthusiastic about the European international events carried through at the school, so the ACC will need to make a good agreement with the school or will have to move the office.

6.- New initiatives – approval of the committees

Balkan committee:

Mjellma tells about the project of a one-week Community College in the Balkans on active citizenship and democracy. There is no Macedonian NGO behind this project, and the applications will be made in the name of the ACC. The project is completed and the budget will be ready soon.

The committee, consisting of Mjellma Mehmeti and Ljupco Efremov, is approved.

Other initiatives:

There are no new initiatives since the last GA.

Linda asks about the situation of the magazine "The House".

John says that the people willing to work on the magazine in Spain and in France postponed their project. He asks Linda if it is possible to take over the publishing rights from the editorial group of the magazine, since it seems that nobody works on it any more.

Linda will investigate on that matter.

7.- SECC - Act for European Community Colleges

It is agreed upon that nothing can be decided about the Act before the end of the SECC.

8.- Youth 2002 - what can we use it for

John proposes to postpone the discussion on this point.

Mjellma suggests to distribute the ACC-leaflet within the Youth 2002.

9.- AOB

There is no other business.

The meeting is closed at 20:05.