

## Minutes

### IBE – EUROPEAN REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> 2007, SINGAPORE

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#### AGENDA

1. Minutes of last meeting
2. Matters arising not on the agenda
3. European Regional Executive Committee Report 2005 – 2007
4. EUCARE
5. Epilepsy and Society 2008
6. Any other business
7. Next meeting

**1. Minutes of last meeting**

Last meeting was held 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2006, in connection with the 10<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Epilepsy and Society in Copenhagen. The minutes were sent out together with other documents regarding the regional committee meeting.

**2. Matters arising not on the agenda**

a. A report on the work with the Global Campaign.

**3. EREC report 2005 - 2007**

PD gave a summary of the EREC report 2005 – 2007, which also will be discussed during the IBE General Assembly in Singapore.

ERECs main input is to the European Conferences that take a lot of recourses, and time. Of the 20 bursaries 16 have been claimed. It was suggested that a summary of the feedback from the evaluation forms to be available, EREC would look into this and make a decision.

The Board Game about epilepsy developed by UCB, and with input from EREC is now translated and made in some 46.000 copies. A great success.

IBE Enlargement Commission with chair Phil Lee will make quarterly reports on their progress and development of new members. The Enlargement Commission is also pleased with European Committees efforts with the blank spots with no members in Europe. It was suggested to spend some of our money in for example personal visits to possible new members.

**4. EUCARE**

The Following Outcomes in Newly Diagnosed Epilepsy - FONDE project is now very close to being launched. This is a research project that will collect data on newly diagnosed people from clinics from all over Europe.

The EUCARE Political Action Group has planed to follow up the work in the European Parliament, and the surveys that were sent to all MPs in the parliament.

A best Practice amendment from the Action Pack is discussed to be highlighted in the EUCARE session in Marseilles in 2008.

**5. 11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Epilepsy and Society 2008**

Marseille, France is chosen as venue for the next conference on Epilepsy and Society. Date and place is, 15 – 17 October at the Mercure Euro Centre. AISPACE, the French chapter, and host are considering having parts of the conference translated into French.

It was suggested, to show a new Finnish film "Year of the wolf" as part of the conference.

## 6. Any other business

- a. The Global campaign, a brief report by Phil Lee.

The Global campaign has a main focus in undeveloped countries in WHO. But, IBE/ILEA want to have another focus in Europe:

- A platform project. Epilepsy and legislation (a survey world wide) to establish the present situation, and to look into what the needs for change are. The survey is now in its pilot stage, and needs testing. Six countries in Europe are needed, and the European Committee was encouraged to help locating them.
- A demonstration project in Georgia.
- European report on Epilepsy, WHO reports in cooperation with the Global Campaign A status report on epilepsy in Europe.
- Epilepsy Atlas. A comprehensive piece of work about quality of life, statistical, broken down by country.

### **Next meeting**

A European Regional Committee Meeting will be held during the European Conference on Epilepsy and Society October 2008 in Marseilles.

Bærums Verk, August 2007  
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