

European Academy of Caring Science Business Meeting
8th November 2012

Venue

School of Nursing and Midwifery
University of Brighton
Falmer
United Kingdom

Notes of Meeting

Present: Margaretha Ekebergh (Chair), Clara Aarts, Elizabeth Rosser, Shirley Bach

Apologies: John Albarran

1 Agreed Notes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

2 Membership Affiliation

Members can be Universities, University members of academic staff or individuals. A transparent process for applications to join the academy was discussed and the following proposed;

1. Initial enquiry to be sent to the EACS Chair
2. Chair requests information from applicant in the following areas (no more than 1 side of A4);
 - Name
 - Address
 - University
 - Nature of application status – e.g. individual or representing university
 - Statement on reasons to join EACS
 - Statement on the contribution that will be made by applicant to EACS.
3. Chair sends the information to business meeting members via email for agreement.
4. Chair informs academic meeting about new member.

3 New Members

Request received by ME to join EACS from Dr Jan Jukema, Research Fellow University of Applied Science, Windesheim, Holland. Has an interest in caring science and care of older persons. Agreed would make valuable contribution to the EACS and to be invited to present at the next academic meeting in Denmark, Spring 2013 – **ACTION ME**

4 Web Page and EACS Information

Currently hosted by Uppsala University but no longer supported by the University. CA no longer has technical support. ER suggested using Word Press site which can be used which is a blog site. To be discussed at academic meeting on 9th November 2012 for ideas.

Post card discussed and some revisions suggested. Posters are available and ME will send out to members. **ACTION ME**

5 Memorandum of Understanding

CA brought revisions that have been proposed Uppsala's legal department. Interesting points were raised by Uppsala however, some points are not relevant for a memorandum of cooperation and the

level of partnership working envisaged by EACS members. SB & ER will draft a letter for ME to send to Frida Oredsöon at Uppsala to explain the decisions. **ACTION SB & ER**

6 Chair of EACS

This is a rotating position and changes every three years. The current term of office finishes in Autumn 2013. The Chair's position will be discussed and decided at the Spring 2013 meeting.

7 Membership Core Group

Ann Hemingway no longer a core member now just ER from Bournemouth.

8 Financial Matters

Each member will fund their own cost of the dinner for the evening before the academic meeting. Each host member will endeavour to provide refreshments and lunch during the academic meeting unless their organisation has no budget for this. If this is the case early indications should be made to the Chair.

9 Future Strategies

1. Ask people to join in relation to Funding bids
2. Funding bid to be discussed at Academic meeting (9.11.2012)
3. Ask members to publicise the Academy when they attend conferences and giving associated papers. Utilise materials that ME has provided.
4. To widen beyond nursing

10 New Themes

Lotta Dellve, Professor at Borås has interest in leadership and caring. To be invited to give presentation at the next Spring meeting. **ACTION ME**

Meeting closed at 19.00

Date of Next meeting to be confirmed at Academic meeting on 9.11.2012