



Minutes from  
THE ACTIVE BOARD  
20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> July 2009  
Vlore, Albania

**Present:**

President: Linn Landmark, Vice president Kristiina Lepa; Treasurer Madlena Tsvetkova; Secretary Maja Stojanovska; Board members: Matus Kovacik, Gabriella Franzén, Emilia Sandgren, Glevin Dervishi (sporadically); and Secretary General Kristina Sperkova.

Excused: Olaf Jobmann, Glevin Dervishi

**AGENDA**

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| - Support group        | - Mental health YFJ            |
| - P-group              | - Content matters              |
| - Transit              | - Strategy workshop            |
| - Newsletter           | - UNF Congress                 |
| - YFJ                  | - Prep.team Macedonia          |
| 05. Tobacco project    | - Focus period                 |
| 06. Blind pool         | 13. Closing                    |

**1. Opening**

The president opened the meeting at 09:30 C.E.T.

Decision: Adopted as briefing.

## 2. Approval of agenda

**Decision:** Including the suggestions for "Any other business", the agenda was approved.

## 3. Last minutes

**Decision:** The minutes from the previous board meeting (including the comments by Linn, Kristiina and Kristina) were approved by all the members of the board.

## 4. Reports

### - Office

The office was present at the UNF congress, then mostly working with the camp, and with the new application (soon there are reports to be written). The EVS application for Sanja Stojanovska was rejected, but we have applied again for a new project starting in December.

### - IOGT Int

There has been an application sent for the next three years including their priorities and work.

**Decision:** In case Emilia cannot go the next meeting, we will discuss who would replace her via mail.

### - Support group

KIM Switzerland would like to have volunteers for the summer and would need Active's help for this (they can afford fixing accommodation and food, the condition for the volunteers would be talking German).

### - Pgroup

The group is going to have a meeting at the summer camp, even though many of the participants were not able to be present.

### - Transit

The next Transit is going to be printed in the beginning of the next month (September) for the campaign Content Matters.

### - Newsletter

The newsletter was done and sent out.

- YFJ

We are trying to get a better position as an organization caring for alcohol issues.

#### 5. Tobacco project

Kristiina and Kristina wrote an application for 3500 euro for printing the tobacco - board game and promotion of it. We still have only the draft version of the game and it still needs a bit more work to be finished. There is an idea that after the project we have the Rights Reserved for the game and we make money out selling the game.

**Decision:** Until 15<sup>th</sup> of August, Kristiina will look in more details for the actual costs of the board game and the answer for the project.

#### 6. Blind pool

There should be a group that will work on this more deeply and come up with a plan for this tool, after what we should make a decision if we are going to use it. Active should have a stand on this issue.

**Decision:** There is going to be a group working more and developing a concept for this issue. The group number should be limited on 5 members, and we should know the persons by the beginning of September. Kristiina will be contact from the board for pointing out the concerns we had for the concept.

#### 7. Plan of Action

The Plan of Action was divided in three groups (organization group, political work group and activities and information group), all working on reporting what is done and what needs to be done.

**Decision:** The board decided that the external partners that are invited to our seminars to have 20 euro more participation fee then our members. Each board member that is in the prep teams should hold a discussion or session about political issues for alcohol. Maja will talk to the nomination committee from IOGT for nominating somebody from Active to the IOGT board and we are going to take this issue for the next board meeting (decide on whom to nominate). We should invite the partners to our seminars and especially invite our partners from France to the seminar in Macedonia.

#### 8. Political officer position

We should have a trial period for this position and if we have more resources, we could continue employing this person in the future. There is a need of creating a group for the clarifying the position of the political officer (living expenses, representation and travelling to events as working hours). The political officer is supposed to prepare the Secretary General, the office and the board with information that are needed for meetings.

**Decision:** The board decided to have a trial period for the working position - political officer. Kristiina reserved herself from this decision. Madlena and Kristina are going to come up with a proposal (draft position) that is going to be brought up to the board for comments and voting, Kristiina will take part in the work to sum up the concerns. The deadline for this will be 15<sup>th</sup> of August.

#### 9. 2009/2010 future planning

The board will go through the thematic part of the Administrative grant during the strategic workshop.

#### 10. Expert conference

On 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of September in Stockholm there will be an expert conference where Active and UNF will have a workshop and a presentation together.

**Decision:** Kristina will be one of the Active representatives, and then Linn, Madlena and Maja are interested in this conference

#### 11. Next meeting

**Decision:** Next meeting is going to be in Hamburg, Germany, dates either 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, or 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> of November (we should think of some activities with Juvente Germany). There is a suggestion that the meeting after the next meeting is held in Bratislava, Slovakia together with Active seminar, meaning the second week of March 2010.

#### 12. Any other business

##### - Mental Health YFJ

There is going to be a conference organized by the Swedish presidency 29<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of September in Stockholm about Mental Health, but it is good space to press our issues for alcohol. We can write and submit best-practice example projects in order to get time for presentations and workshop there, and there is a Draft Rationale and Key Messages prepared that we should look into and comment in the name of Active.

**Decision:** Kristiina, Emilia and Gaffe will work on this proposal and comments.

##### - Content Matters

The campaign is running and we need to get more contributions. There was a presentation at

the UNF congress which went really well. After the first printed sticker, we should print 3 more and after the first Transit, we should print 3 more. The Indian organization would like to take and implement the same concept. The book with all the contributions is supposed to be finished and printed in the end of December. For every event where Active is represented by the board, the campaign should be promoted in order to motivate people to contribute.

**- Strategy workshop**

Matus prepared and lead a workshop for the board on the topic of Active strategy. The aim of the workshop is to see where we want to go and what do we want to achieve with Active, and to exchange and get new points of view on this issue.

**- UNF congress**

It has been impressive to see young people working so hard and discussing for these very important issues for them, something that Active needs to learn. As the Swedish presidency is taking the lead with EU for the next 6 months, with intension to force the alcohol issues, we really should present ourselves as a tool and source for the Swedish ministry. There has been a huge interest for being a delegate for the Active congress (10 people were interested for being delegates). Active was very visible at the congress, presented Content matters campaign that was appreciated and welcomed by UNF.

**- Seminar for Macedonia 23<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> of October**

Risk assessment form should be provided for all the seminars by the office.

**- Focus period for the next period**

Kristina suggested having an "alcohol advertisement" period, as UNF is going to work on this a lot (we can work together and cooperate with them). The board will make the final decision at the strategic workshop.

**- Payment for the camp**

Madlena and Kristina are going to talk to Glevin about the budget details and the payment for the camp.

**- Information from APN meeting**

Vesna Petric from Slovenia invited Maik Dunnbier to have a meeting with Jan Pelozza to discuss youth interest in alcohol in Slovenia and maybe start something there.