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rEACH meeting in Ghent

13th March 2015

Present: Gerry Humphris, Isabelle Scholl, Lidia del Piccolo, Myriam Deveugele, Cathy Heaven, Arwen Pieterse

Absent: Hanneke de Haes, Mary Catherine Beach

1. **Opening:** Welcome remarks by Gerry.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** (September 30th 2014): the minutes are approved of. There is one small change:
 - a. "If rEACH organizes a workshop, we would like to receive 80% of the gains and 20 % goes to EACH for taking the risk." The financial position has changed since the 30th September and is described in Minute 5.
3. **Future Directions document:** This did not get discussed as planned.
Action: We need to discuss the future directions document in one of the next conference calls.
4. **Future of rEACH/yEACH:**

MD gives a presentation about this topic (see slides of presentation). She says we need to be more visible, more active, a larger group, do better networking, etc. She expressed the idea to include more members (see point below). The executive would like to see growth in rEACH to enable the objectives of the organisation to be achieved. CH and others in the group expressed disappointment that activities have not been seen. LdP expresses the idea to extend the newsletter.

Action: MD to circulate slides to all committee members.
 - a. **rEACH membership:**

MD calls for a larger rEACH committee and would like to include everyone, who is interested (even 30-40 people). Others in the committee disagree, saying that we should first aim to enlarge the committee to approx. 12-15 members in a first step, then in a second step eventually enlarge it more. There is doubt that we get more efficient with a too large group, as that would need more management from the chair too. MD expresses the idea to "incorporate" yEACH in rEACH and says that yEACH is currently "put in a box". IS argues that yEACH does not feel that way. The idea to invite the yEACH members to also become part of rEACH is welcomed by all. This would also allow "grown up" yEACHers to still have a place in EACH. We also agree to re-invite the other applicants from 2013. If we do not find enough new members by these two ways, we will have an open call for applications with an easier application process than last time. This call could be send to all EACH members through SAS and we circulate it to research groups we know that we

would like to be involved. GH also expresses the idea of having a patient representative as member.

ACTION: IS invites yEACH committee members to rEACH committee.

ACTION: GH invites the previous applicants by email.

ACTION: GH prepares a letter for a call, in case we do not get enough new members through the other ways by April 10th.

b. Position of yEACH within EACH:

IS reports that yEACH committee has grown and that they know have monthly conference calls. They had a conference call with Jonathan Silverman in January and discussed whether yEACH should be under the umbrella of rEACH only, especially given the fact that young teachers expressed their interest to create a link from yEACH to tEACH as well. We agree that yEACH should become a “special” SIG, being linked to both rEACH and tEACH. This would have the advantage to have a blog and webspace provided. Anything else would need a constitutional change within EACH and is not possible.

ACTION: IS takes this suggestion to yEACH and reports back.

5. Finances of rEACH (and EACH):

- a. Within the SC following was agreed: If a standing committee want to organise a workshop, a budget proposal must be submit to the EC, this budget proposal needs to be at least balanced, better if there is profit. SAS helps with organising events. E.g. they ran tEACH courses and made profit out of them.
- b. The budget of rEACH remains 2000 EUR/year. The previous rule that we cannot save money for longer than 2 years is dismissed.

6. Summer event (24-26 August 2015):

There will be 12 workshops (6 on research and 6 on teaching), which were selected by the planning committee of the event. Their goal is to have 180 participants.

7. Summer school 2015 (27-29 August 2015):

The format needs to change, as the budget is limited: approx. 4000 EUR from rEACH are available, the rest needs to be paid by participants. The idea is that participants first attend the summer event, then the summer school. The amount of participants of the Summer School is discussed and we agreed that 12 would be a good size. We also agree that it would be good to have 4 senior facilitators (GH, LdP, AP, CH will be facilitators; HdH and MD will be backups) plus one representative of yEACH (Marleen Kunnemann, who already expressed interest during the last yEACH conference call).

Action: MD talks to Fiona from SAS to make a budget proposal.

Action: CH drafts the programme and circulates it.

Action: As IS cannot join, she will ask Marleen Kunnemann from yEACH to join the summer school.

Action: AP drafts an announcement.

Action: GH to check that the time line is kept and assists where needed

8. Summer school 2016:

It remains unclear if we will do a summer school in 2016. If the summer event is successful, we could again connect the summer school to the summer event in 2017. LdP also found a possible venue in Verona, if needed.

9. Conference & pre-conference workshops 2016:

All rEACH members will be part of the scientific committee. GH became member of the planning committee. However, only one person from rEACH can become a member of the planning committee and it would be good to have AP on board, who had agreed in Amsterdam 2014 to organise the pre-conference workshops in 2016. They will switch: AP will be on the committee and GH will be the backup.

Action: GH emails Wolfgang Eich about this change.

10. SIGs:

The new form for SIGs is on the website.

Action: GH emails SAS and asks them to circulate the information by email.

11. pEACH:

A new committee focussing on implementation has been formed within EACH, called pEACH. For now GH and CH are members.

12. Thanks to Cathy and Hanneke for their work in rEACH!!!

As the Committee changes into a new model of more members and a quicker change over to bring new interests, creativity and ideas, we have the pleasant duty to thank senior members of the Committee who have made large contributions in the past years.

Action: GH to send token gifts

13. Planning next meetings: We need longer face-to-face meetings in the future (e.g. a slot of 3-4 hours or even 2 slots of 3-4 hours). The next meeting will be during the time of the summer school. Furthermore, we plan to have monthly conference calls of 60 minutes.

Action: CH will include a time slot for the meeting when preparing the programme for the summer school

Action: GH will propose dates for the first conference calls.

Separate ACTION List rEACH meeting Ghent March 2015

Person	Action	Due
all	We need to discuss the future directions document in one of the next conference calls	Next conference call?
MD	circulate slides of presentation given during rEACH meeting to all committee members	asap
IS	invite yEACH committee members to rEACH committee	April 10th
GH	invite the previous applicants to join the rEACH committee	April 10th
GH	prepare a letter for a call, in case we do not get enough new members through the other ways	April 10th
IS	take the suggestion to have yEACH as "special" SIG (related to both rEACH and tEACH) back to yEACH and report back	Next conference call
MD	talk to Fiona from SAS to make a budget proposal for the summer school	?
CH	draft the programme for the summer school and circulate it	done
IS	Ask Marleen Kunnemann from yEACH to join the summer school.	Next conference call
AP	draft an announcement for the summer school	done by CH