




**MINUTES
of the
51st EFEE Board Meeting,
held in
Vienna, Austria
on
11th July, 2015**

Secretary General Roger Holmberg

**European Federation of Explosives Engineers
Fédération Européenne des Spécialistes de Minage
Europäischer Sprengverband**



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PRESENT:

Johan Finsteen Gjørdvad (JFG), Denmark, President
Igor Kopál (IK), Slovak Republic, Vice President
Jörg Rennert (JR), Germany, Immediate Past President
Donald Jonson (DJ), Sweden
Heinz Berger (HB), Austria, Treasurer
Ricardo Chavez (RC), France
Roger Holmberg (RH), Malta, Secretary General

IN ATTENDANCE:

James Tyler, TylerEvents UK, Item 6.

APOLOGIES

Nigel Taylor (NT), UK

1. Opening by the President

The Vice President IK welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting.

2. Agenda

The Agenda was approved.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The MoM from Lyon, France 2015-04-24 was approved as a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising (if not on the Agenda)

None.

5. Administration

a. Management Accounts 1st January to 6th July 2015

The Management Accounts were visited.
Incomes € 29121,71 and Expenditures € 21206,00 .

Net current Assets; € 190143,78 .

consisting of:

ERSTE BANK € 187264,01

Austrian PayPal € 2879,77

TylerEvents will credit EFEE for € 2100 (28 member fees) memberships fees paid when the members registered.

The Board will look into the possibility to employ an assistant as the number of hours for the Secretary General is considerably higher than 40 hours per month due to the increasing number of members.

Action: The Board will visit this question in Barcelona.

HB has transferred 2015-07-07 € 95000 to the Austrian Oberbank. The conditions were favourable with low cost. Interest 0,125% and EFEE can transfer the money whenever it is needed.

b. Membership Applications report

JFG arrived and continued as Chairman.

Totally EFEE now has 28 Company Members and 100 Individual Members. 28 new individuals applied when they registered for the Lyon conference. Furthermore SAFEX is an associated members of EFEE and 2 honorary memberships to Walter Werner and Raimo Vuolio where given in Lyon 2015.

Paid 2015 Memberships up to July 6 are;

- 20 out of 23 National Members.
- 28 out of 28 Company Members.
- 100 out of 100 Individual Members.
- 1 out of 1 Student and Former Retired EFEE Members.

9 Individual members have been expelled. Slovenia has been expelled, EFEE is missing payments for Y2015 from Netherlands, Ukraine and Hungary.

An application by geo-konzept GmbH was approved by the Board.

Action: RH to invoice the company.

6. EFEE World Conferences

a. 8th EFEE Conference in Lyon 2015 - Results

HB reported from TylerEvents status report of the conference.

Conference Info

Registrations	
Conference Registrations	250
Exhibition	123
Speakers	
Papers Presented	39

Exhibition	
Sponsors	8
Booths Sold	49
Gold Sponsors: EPC, Orica, Lubrizol, Maxam,	
Silver Sponsors: Potters Europe, OJSC 'NMZ Iskra', Sigicom & Davey Bickford	

There were 373 Attendees Representing 51 Countries at the conference.

Conference Results

The table below is a comparison of incomes from the conferences held 2011 and 2015.

Type	2015			2011		
	Number	Rate	Income	Number	Rate	Income
Registrations						
Early Bird	72	595	42,840	110	535	58,850
Individual / Corporate	28	536	15,008	8	472	3,776
EFEE National Members	11	476	5,236	40	498	19,840
Full Registration	84	655	55,020	51	635	32,385
Individual / Corporate	22	590	12,980	8	572	3,432
EFEE National Members	3	524	1,572	10	598	5,980
Technical Committee						
Delegate	1	297	297			
EFEE Member	2	268	536			
National Member	2	238	476			
Rob Farnfield	1	0	0			
Roger Holmberg	1	0	0			
ISEE	3	0	0			
Exhibitor Delegate	12	595	7,140	21	450	9,450
Exhibitor Delegate	8	490	3,920			
	250					
Additional Exhibitor reps				7	310	2,170
Exhibition only				8	50	300
Total			145,025	259		138,163
Exhibition						
Booths	47	2250	105,750	41	1550	63,550
Additional Exhibitor reps	9	340	3,060			
Total			108,810			
Sponsorship						
Gold	4	3038	12,152	3	1900	5,700
Silver	4	1519	6,076	9	950	8,550
Total Sponsorship			18,228			14,250
				0		0
Advertising						
Website Banner	2	350	700			
Programme advert - full page	4	450	1,800			
Programme advert - 1/2 page	4	350	1,400			
Newsletter	1	500	500			
Total Advertising			4,400			
Total Sponsorship & Advertising			22,628			14,250
Drinks reception	125	22	2,750	22	20	440
Gala Dinner	195	80	15,600	275	57.52	15,818
Gala Dinner Profit			1,694	1		2,054
Proceedings	18	85	1,530	14	80	1,120
Cd's	74	68	5,032	65	56.67	3,684
Partner Profit			0	1		470
Workshops						
EFEE Members	30	60	1,800	16	60	960
Non Members	29	120	3,480	39	120	4,680
Total						5,640
Commission			7,688			14,213
Total			308,349			235,944
Final Numbers						
Registration	250					225
Exhibition	123					104
Total	373					329

Conference Profits

	EFEE	Tyler Events
€60,000: Split 50/50	€30,000	€30,000
€20,000: Split 60/40	€12,000	€8,000
€28,175: Split 80/20	€22,540	€5,635
	€64,540	€43,635
Additional Revenue	€7,880	
Less Costs	-€2,673	
Total	€69,747	€43,635

The Board applauded Tyler for the good organisation and fine result of the Lyon conference.

Action: RH to invoice Tyler Events Ltd for conference profit plus membership fees and polo shirts.

The comments from Board, Exhibitors and Delegates were very positive. It worked very well using the Conference Centre and having hotels nearby with different cost windows. There were also easy communication to the city and plenty of restaurants nearby. Papers were of good quality and the Tech Committee chaired by Rob Farnfield did a perfect job. The lunches and coffee breaks were well received.

Main drawback was that the exhibition was a bit away from the meeting rooms and the gala dinner was not very well accepted by the participants.

b. 9th EFEE Conference in Stockholm 2017

Action: The website will be updated so visitors get the knowledge of the Stockholm conference. RH.

Action: The technical committee will be appointed in February 2016. RH & DJ.

The Board decided that the agreement between TylerEvents and EFEE should be revisited. The profit split limits would be increased by € 10000.

Action: RH to make necessary changes and send out to the Board and James Tyler.

Accommodation will be at the Hilton hotel in Stockholm. The Brewery is 10 minutes walking distance away. The City Hall will be the place for the cocktail party hosted by the city of Stockholm. Vinterviken, the place for Alfred Nobel's nitroglycerin- and dynamite-plant will be visited. A possible post-conference tour to LKAB Kiruna will be looked into.

Action: James Tyler will together with DJ and RH visit Stockholm in September, 2017.

c. 10th EFEE Conference in Finland 2019 countries

Nothing to report.

d. EFEE Conferences Eastern Europe

Action: IK will call Alexander Efremovtsev to discuss the potential for EFEE to have future conferences every second year in Eastern Europe and ask him to present the results of the Crimea conference at the Council meeting in Barcelona.

7. EFEE communication and marketing

a. Website.

RH reported about the problems to upload the Lyon Proceedings. The large files are not accepted by the WordPress program. Contacts have been taken to two consultants, One cannot due to vacations and the other has not yet answered.

Action: RH to send full Company e-mail addresses to IH who will send a letter to ask the companies to provide their logos. RH will ask the website consultant to construct a page similar to National Members page with their logos.

Action: The Board wanted the logos to rotate on the Home page. RH to look into this.

b. Newsletter.

Next issue will be in September 2015. Newsletter will be sent out as a link and not as a pdf-file. IK has sent out the preliminary content.

Action: All Board members contributing shall send their contribution to Teele Tuuna and IK before August 28, 2015 at newsletter@efee.eu

IK has revised the prices for advertisements. An increase of 5% was established.

c. Marketing and Membership.

It was discussed how to make the Newsletter more visible. One possibility was to have the possibility to sign up at our website for receiving the Newsletter. EDA visitors have this possibility. See <http://www.europeandemolition.org/>,

Action: RH to check this possibility before the meeting in Barcelona.

8. European shotfiring

New Project application

The 22nd June Archimedes Bureau sent the Project Leader an e-mail stating;

“Unfortunately the project grant nr. 2015-1-EE01-KA202-013439 “Pan-European Competency Certificate for Shotfirers/ blast designers - level 4, by European Federation of Explosive Engineers” applied by Voglers Eesti, did not get chosen to be financed in this year. The reason for this is the insufficient funds, but also some tight spots which appeared within the application”

The Board concluded that the final answer from Archimedes Bureau should be received before a meeting is held for how to proceed. The meeting in Barcelona could be a good place for this discussion.

9. EU Directives

JR mentioned that the Explosives Group will constitute an ad hoc group to look into the implementation of Track and Trace.

10. **Constitution and Bylaws**

Nothing to report

11. **Environmental Committee**

Nothing to report

12. **Any Other Business**

a. *Future subjects for the board*

A future board member as Vice President was discussed. There are 5 possible candidates.

Action: The Board will discuss with the potential candidates in Barcelona,

b. *Possible cooperation with EDA*

JFG reported from the EDA conference in Helsinki and mentioned a potential partnership. JFG said he would invite EDA representatives to Barcelona.

13. **Dates of next meetings**

- a. Barcelona, Spain, September 25, 2015.
- b. April 2016, UK? (TBD in Barcelona)
- c. Stockholm, Sweden, 11th June 2016,
- d. Levi, Finland, spring 2017

14. **Adjourn**

The President thanked everyone for attending and contributing to the meeting. The Meeting was adjourned.

Signed _____

President / Johan Finsteen Gjørdvad /

Date _____