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Minutes: Scandiatransplant Board Meeting No. 115

Date: February 4th, 2026.

Place: Clarion Copenhagen Airport Hotel, room Freja

Time: 10:00-16:00

Participants:

CHAIRMAN: Allan Rasmussen

SWEDEN Vivan Hellström, Uppsala

NORWAY: Are Martin Holm, Oslo

FINLAND: Marko Lempinen, Helsinki

ICELAND: Rafn Hilmarsson, Reykjavik

ESTONIA: Virge Pall, Tartu

DENMARK: Michael Perch, Copenhagen

Medical Director: Kaj Anker Jørgensen

Leader of Meeting: Allan Rasmussen

Writer of Minutes: Kaj Anker Jørgensen

1. Welcome:

Allan bid everybody welcome and said we had good time and very important issues to discuss.

2. Issues for any other business:

Allan would discuss advertising for STC 2028.

3. Minutes of last Board meeting No. 114, November 6th, 2026:

The minutes were accepted.

4. Status at Office:

Kaj told the Board about the situation of the secretary leaving the office.

5. Applicants for the position as Managing Director:

There were 16 applicants in all, but only 3 were considered qualified. These were discussed and a plan for recruitment agreed upon. Allan will get references, and interviews will be conducted by Allan, Are and Michael, who will communicate with the rest of the Board by e-mail. The Board members came with suggestions for questions to be asked during the interviews. The final decision should be made before the Board meeting in March.

6. Change in Article 10 & 11:

At the next Council meeting the board will suggest that the term “Medical Director” in the Articles be changed to just “Director”

7. FOEDUS/request from André Matera (Eurotransplant/EU):

The Board had been asked why Scandiatransplant is not using the FOEDUS platform. Kaj showed the minutes from a Board meeting in 2016, where the decision was made not to integrate this platform in YASWA. The reason was that Scandiatransplant would prioritize resources on improving the internal cooperation higher than external. It was believed that FOEDUS would not greatly improve conditions for the patients in the Scandiatransplant countries. Scandiatransplant receives and sends organ offers to the other organ allocation organizations, which have accepted using the e-mail system incorporated in YASWA. This is Eurotransplant, Swisstransplant and UK.

Scandiatransplant has received a request to engage in an EU project to produce webinars on international cooperation in allocation of organs. Kaj will answer that we do not have resources to engage in the venture.

8. Latvia:

Allan told the Board that things are moving forward. Their lab has had their accreditation visit and there are only a few formal questions left. He expects that they will get accreditation within one month. They will visit Aarhus to organize so that Scandiatransplant can accept organs, they cannot be used in Latvia. The plan is that they seek for associate membership at the next Council meeting.

9. STS 2026:

Virge said that the planning is going well. She has received only one abstract, and all Board members should go home and encourage people to send abstracts and encourage people to register for the congress.

10. Any other business:

For STC 2028 the application time will be between March first and May first. For the following STCs, the applications must come before March first as agreed upon earlier.

Kaj told the Board that there is a surplus of 2 million DKK on the finances for 2025. The figures have been sent to independent auditor.

11. Next Board meeting:

March 17th, 2026 at “Fru Larsen” near Aarhus.