

## **AAGT Board Minutes 11.2.7**

### **Next board Meeting: 18.3.7**

**Present: Peter P, Phil B, Peter C, Sarah F., Tine van W (minutes),**

**Later: Marcie S., Dan B.**

**Apologies from Ann B, Bud F., Robert de V. , Brian O., Ansel W., Jenny E. Not present: Marilyn M.**

**Peter P. Is there any decision making needed.**

**Sarah: Yes the Manchester contract has to be signed.**

**Peter P and Peter C. will do this.**

#### **RCP's:**

**There are new RCP's for Australia and New Zealand: Yaro Stark and Anne Maclean.**

**Dan maybe knows RCP for New York area: Susan Jurkowski**

**Tine will ask if Cathy Gray is willing to serve as RCP in the Philadelphia area. Or if she knows someone who can and will do this.**

**Bea Mackay had a burn out after the conference, but she still goes on being an RCP**

**Valeria V. and Vitaly L., the organizers of the Yalta conference will function as RCP's.**

**Problem: Vitaly who is the organizer does not speak English.**

#### **Yalta conference:**

**There is contact with the secretary of the EAGT to see how we can connect to the EAGT conference. Suggestion is to invite one of the organizers of the Athens conference. The idea of paying her/his expenses was rejected, because we did not see the benefit.**

**We had a discussion about who should hopefully come to the conference. Peter P. was thinking of the East Europeans. Tine is more hoping that colleagues from Western Europe and the USA will come.**

**We have to take care that we as AAGT are not seen as rival for the EAGT. We are not because we a completely different organization.**

#### **Sarah about Manchester:**

**a bankaccount is opened, there are postcards. She is wondering about (electronic) advertising and marketing. Ads must make clear shift, so people won't think it will be like other Gestalt conferences; when do they have to start advertising? Wait till they have a keynote speaker; suggestion to have two keynote speakers: American and European.**

**Will people come to Manchester? Peter C. remarked that 80% of the AAGT members are Americans and he wonders how it will work out, Peter P. : in Vancouver they said they will come.**

**Advertise in Dan's Journal, Ken Evm. Ans Journal, Gestalt review, etc.**

**Phil: will reserve a place for a special website about the Manchester Conference (like Argentinians did)**

**Question about subcommittees (for the program, logistics, etc.). Sarah will work it out with Jenny;**

#### **Newsletter**

**Phil: Marcie could not use blog anymore; Phil is still learning . There is space on aagt.2 for the Newsletter.**

**Marcie: is learning how to use the blog. There will be a link from aagt website to aagt2. The bio's of the board members are needed for the Newsletter. Please send to Marcie: subject: Newsletter.**

### **Podcasts, Skype**

**We have to take the possibilities serious. We could become a source for people all over the world who can talk with each other and would not be able to do so otherwise.**

**Phil is going to 3 conferences where he is going to experiment.**

**Peter P. :Podcast could be used for Annual Meeting**

### **Taskforce**

**Dan: AAGT could produce back up brochures to be used by social workers etc.**

**In fact it is happening already, but we do not know.**