**Draft Minutes of Rett Syndrome Europe General Assembly**

**Meeting held on 26th November 2020**

**Online Microsoft Teams**

**Present:**

**Right to vote (15)**

Armenia Marina Parazyan

Austria Stella Peckary

Tanja Rovagnati **x**

Belgium Peter Vanherck **x**

Croatia Zana Piplovic´ **x**

Czech Republic Michal Kozisek **x**

Finland Ella Helander **x**

France Caroline Lietaer **x**

Sandrine Eifermann Soutarson

Georgia Gvantsa Kvantaliani **x**

Germany Wilfried Asthalter

Lena Sokoll **x**

Hungary Danijela Szili **x**

Italy Lucia Dovigo x

Maria Grazia Donato

Mirko Brogioni

Lithuania Laura Knanpieniene

Laura Luisaityte **x**

Russia Olga Timutsa **x**

Serbia Bojana Milanov

Spain Yolanda Corón **x**

Pedro Rocha

Paula Bolzani Prunés (ACSR)

Sweden Anna Davidsson Karnevi **x**

Turkey Burak Temiz

UK Becky Jenner

Yvonne Milne **x**

**The meeting opened at 10:06 a.m.**

The President, Caroline Lietaer, welcomed the representatives of the member countries. In case of COVID 19 Pandemic the circumstances are difficult and therefore the General Assembly of RSE is held online. Many thanks go to Laura Kanapieniene and Pedro Rocha, who made all the necessary IT issues to make this conference with the voting possible. This year four Board Members are standing back (Caroline Lietaer, Yvonne Milne, Danijela Szili, Wilfried Asthalter) and new candidates will be elected by virtual voting procedure at the end of the GA.

**Activity report 2019 – 2020**

The president referred to the difficult situation because of the Pandemic and the impact on the families. Therefore RSE did not ask for membership fee for 2020.

* RSE tried to gather the information of interesting webinars offered online
* Fantastic conference in Tampere, Finland – report on Website
* Rett Resource: new languages -> Russia, Swedish, Turkish
* New official Mail Address: [info@rettsyndrome.eu](mailto:info@rettsyndrome.eu)
* Thank you to the volunteers and to Danijela who has done a great job in the research subcommittee
* Microsoft NGO Program. Laura and Pedro installed the new program which makes the work of RSE much more effective, contemporary and time-saving.
* Future plan -> Scientific Advisory Board. This idea was first born in 2008 and was revived last year in cooperation with Gill Townend. The new board is asked to follow this project further.

**Financial Report**

Report was presented by the Treasurer Wilfried Asthalter

* Credits/ Debits and Balance of Account for 2019
* The signed report by the audit Horst Schneider was shown to members.

**Voting**

**GA meeting minutes 2019**

These were approved by all member countries (in favour 14 votes, abstain 1 vote)

**Financial Report of 2019**

This was unanimously approved by all member countries

**Candidates for Board Members vote result**

Becky Jenner 15

Bojana Milanovic 12

Laura Kanapieniene 14

Pedro Rocha 8

Sandrine Eifermann Soutarson 10

Stella Peckary (2nd term Board member) 15

During voting procedure Caroline Lietaer, Wilfried Asthalter, Danijela Szili and Yvonne Milne said goodbyes, congratulated the new board and wished good luck and success.

**The meeting ended at 10:31 a.m.**

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