

**EXCO Teleconference
June 12, 2011 at 15:00 GMT
Minutes**

NEXT MEETING: Sunday July 3, 2011 at 15:00 GMT

Actions are identified in Italics and Underline

Attendees: Luisa, Pramod, Mirek, Pablo, Penny

1. Greetings, quick updates, comments
 - Luisa is feeling a little better, and participated actively in the meeting
 - Gary joined briefly to tell us that the ServasOnLine Senior Panel has delayed their meeting, have added new members from Italy and Britain, and are preparing a paper on security
2. Review and agree on the agenda
 - Continued with the agenda for the June 5, 2011 meeting, since not all topics were discussed
3. Review of notes from meetings of May 8, 2011 and June 5, 2011
 - It was emphasized that there is an urgent need to identify the location for the 2012 GA; further discussion did not result in any decision
4. Email EXCO decisions made since last meeting

In progress (to continue by email):

- a. Dolphin 3-year depreciation decision: On the basis of information presented by the Host List Coordinator on May 12, 2011 SI EXCO confirm that the work on the Dolphin project was completed, and the system is operational to our satisfaction from on August 16, 2010. Spending on the development of the system to the current state is completed. SI EXCO decide that the depreciation period in case of the Dolphin project for the stage accomplished in 2010 will be 3 years.
 - Action: Mirek will provide details of the amount to be depreciated
5. Items needing a decision or immediate action:
 - a. Palestine issue
 - The draft statement prepared by Luisa was discussed and a new version circulated
 - It was noted that ServasOnLine might contribute to a solution
 - Action: EXCO will consider the new version and exchange comments by email, with the objective of meeting the June 15, 2011 Monthly SI News deadline
 - b. Operational budget and reserve
 - **DECISION: Accepted Mirek's 2011 operational budget as a guideline for 2011 spending.**
 - Action: EXCO members will comment on specific items in the budget by email
6. Updates:
 - a. ServasOnLine latest update
 - See item 1 above.

- b. Bahia 2010 expense payments
 - The plan to distribute the money did not work out, and it appears that Jaime is unable to distribute the funds
 - **DECISION: Mirek will request that Jaime send the money to him, and Mirek will distribute it to the funded people**
 - Action: Mirek will contact Jaime and the recipients to arrange the transfers
7. Other Items:
- a. US Servas meeting Nov 2011
 - **DECISION: SI funds will not be used to send an EXCO member to the national conference of any country unless it is linked to some other useful purpose.**
 - It was noted that any EXCO member is free to attend any national meeting as long as there is no cost to SI.
 - Action: Gary to decide if he will be attending the US meeting; then he will reply to Mary Jane's email which asked if an EXCO member would be attending
 - There had been some email discussion of combining an EXCO face-to-face meeting and ServasOnLine meeting with the US national meeting. It was agreed that neither of these two meetings are yet well enough defined to make any decisions about them related to the US meeting.
 - b. Development Committee Recommendations NOT DISCUSSED
 - It was clarified that this item relates to the recommendations in the Development Committee Report that was submitted in April 2011
 - c. On line application form
 - It was clarified that this item relates to concerns about the Dolphin application form found on the www.servas.org web site, and the fact that some countries have their own online signup processes , which causes confusion with potential new members
 - It was noted that ServasOnLine should eliminate this problem
 - d. SI Mentors, buddies, ambassadors (Mary Jane's Feb 28 email)
 - Action: Pramod will follow up on Mary Jane's email
 - e. Grant Writing committee NOT DISCUSSED
8. Concerns, successes or comments from EXCO members NOT DISCUSSED
9. Other business NONE
10. Next meeting date **Sunday July 3, 2011 at 15:00 GMT**
- Action: EXCO members will consider whether Friday meetings, at the same time, would work better