

**EXCO Teleconference  
July 3, 2011 at 15:00 GMT  
Minutes**

**NEXT MEETING: Sunday July 24, 2011 at 15:00 GMT**

Actions are identified in Italics and Underline

Attendees: Gary, Luisa, Pramod, Mirek, Pablo, Penny

1. Greetings, quick updates, comments
  - a. Discuss option of a Friday evening meeting time, beginning at 15:00 or 16:00 GMT
    - This will not work, as Mirek arrives home from work after midnight in Delhi
    - We will keep Sundays at 15:00 GMT for the meetings
  - Luisa indicated that, in spite of her health challenges, she does not need help in the SI Peace Secretary role at this time
2. Review and agree on the agenda
  - Added SI News and moved '6d. Palestine' to be with it, as first item under #5
  - Added Distant Vote to #5
  - Agreed on revised agenda
3. Review of notes from meetings of June 12, 2011
  - No changes
  - Arising from the minutes, there was a discussion of the operational budget: Since the income side is about two-thirds of the 2009 GA budgeted amount, it was generally agreed that a discussion of priorities is needed, so that the budget can then reflect those priorities.
  - Action: Penny will put 'priorities discussion' on the agenda for the next EXCO meeting.
4. Email EXCO decisions made since last meeting
  - a. Rita CHF600 funding to attend Africa meeting as Africa mentor and Dolphin presenter. June 27, 2011.

In progress (to continue by email):

- b. 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 **Host Dolphin and Key** 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.
  - Added 'Host and Key' to the motion (in bold above)
  - Action: Mirek will provide details of the amount to be depreciated
  - Action: Penny will distribute the new motion for email discussion

5. Items needing a decision or immediate action:

- a. SI News and Palestine article
  - SI President represents the SI Newsletter Editor; the SI News is intended to serve the Servas members and reflect the Servas principles as described in the SI statutes
  - The revised letter by Luisa regarding Palestine will be published as a letter from Luisa in the July issue.
  - Action: Gary and Terry will draft editorial policies for the SI News
  - It was agreed that peace-building is an important topic for the 2012 GA.
  - Action: Luisa will contact Julie Dotsch to discuss ideas for the 2012 GA.
  - Action: Penny will put 'peace building at the 2012 GA' and 'focal meetings' on the agenda for a future EXCO meeting
- b. 2012 GA
  - On Jun 28, 2011, Gary sent an email to NSs asking for help with the 2012 GA
  - EXCO has not yet received any complete proposals, and none of the offers received so far meet all of the Thailand criteria. There may need to be compromise on some of the criteria.
  - Work will continue on search for the location and time of the 2012 GA
- c. Dolphin issues - Host list visibility for non-officer hosts, defaults
  - It appears that in Host Dolphin the default setting is that all host information is available to be seen by anyone with a Host Dolphin username and password (in other words, by any other host in Host Dolphin)
  - It was noted that Host Dolphin is completely different from the Host List Storage Area, where complete host lists are stored
  - It is not known how long Host Dolphin will continue to be the main host list computer system
  - The principle of privacy is important, and is different for different countries
  - **DECISION: The default in Host Dolphin should be 'private'; in other words, hosts in other countries should only see statistical data, except in their own country. This setting can be changed by the key people in each country, if they wish to make their host data available to hosts from other countries that are listed in Host Dolphin**
  - The proposed and current settings are attached as an appendix
  - Action: Pablo and Penny will contact Mario about this decision, and work to make the necessary changes
- d. Funding to Uruguay for peace course
  - It was agreed that we would like to help Dinorah to hold a peace course.
  - There are several possible Spanish speaking people who could facilitate one.
  - Action: Luisa will work with Dinorah to prepare a request
- e. Financial reserve
  - Action: Mirek will prepare a description of the current financial picture.
  - Action: Penny will put 'financial reserve' on the agenda for the next EXCO meeting
- f. Distant Vote
  - Action: Penny will send an email motion to approve the schedule for DV Nov 2011.
  - Action: Penny will then tell Chris Patterson, and continue with the DV preparations

6. Updates:

- a. ServasOnLine latest update NOT DISCUSSED
- b. SCW Asia Area Coordinator
  - Pramod will soon be meeting by phone with the Nasseem Muhammed and Ramesh Sharma
- c. Bahia 2010 expense payments NOT DISCUSSED
- d. Palestine
  - See 5. a.

7. Other Items:

- a. Development Committee Recommendations NOT DISCUSSED
- b. Grant Writing committee NOT DISCUSSED

8. Concerns, successes or comments from EXCO members NOT DISCUSSED

9. Other business

- a. Emails received, related to Youth Officers
  - It was agreed that EXCO should allow time and space for the Conflict Resolution Committee to use their skills to work with the people involved
- b. Email etiquette was discussed
  - We are all getting a lot of email, and it is hard to manage it
  - It was agreed that it is important to:
    - Ensure that the subject line accurately describes the content of the email
    - Look at who sent the email, who it was sent to, who was copied, and all of the emails contained in it, and don't expand the distribution without careful consideration

**10. Next meeting date      Sunday July 24, 2011 at 15:00 GMT**

**APPENDIX**

**PROPOSED SCHEME**

Permissions for every country in DOLPHIN (Example for X Country)

Country Name	COUNTRY	Role	Permission
X	same	HOST	Modify only Own Data
X	<b>same</b>	<b>HOST</b>	<b>Read and Print only permitted fields</b>
X	same	DH	Modify only Own Data
X	<b>same</b>	<b>DH</b>	<b>Read and Print only permitted fields</b>
X	<b>same</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Read and Print only permitted fields</b>
X	same	COORD	Modify Regional
X	same	NATBOARD	Modify Country
X	same	NATBOARD	KD Branch Administrator
X	same	EX	Only Statistical Data
X	same	MS	Only Statistical Data
X	<b>other</b>	<b>HOST</b>	<b>Only Statistical Data</b>
X	<b>other</b>	<b>DH</b>	<b>Only Statistical Data</b>
X	<b>other</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>Only Statistical Data</b>
X	other	COORD	Read and Print
X	<b>other</b>	<b>NATBOARD</b>	<b>Read and Print</b>
X	other	EX	Only Statistical Data
X	other	MS	Only Statistical Data

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## HOW IT IS NOWADAYS

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X	<b>other</b>	<b>NATBOARD</b>	<b>Read and Print PDF LIST</b>
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## ABBREVIATIONS

HOST	HOST
DH	DAY HOST
TR	TRAVELER
COORD	REGIONAL COORDINATOR
NATBOARD	MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL BOARD
EX	EX MEMBER (NOT SHOWN ON THE LIST)
MS	MEMBERSHIP SUSPENDED (NOT SHOWN ON THE LIST)