

Resilient Health Care Society

Minutes of the 6th Executive Committee meeting

Friday 10 September 2021, 13:00 – 14:00 CEST

This meeting is the first meeting of the new ExCom following the AGM in August, dedicated to discussing issues arising from the AGM and preparing for 2021/22.

Attendees: Mary Patterson, Axel Ros, Jeffrey Braithwaite, Siri Wiig, Kazue Nakajima, Erik Hollnagel, Robyn Clay-Williams

Minutes as follows:

1. Approval of previous minutes.

The minutes were not available at this time.

2. Debrief 2021 Virtual Summer Meeting and General Assembly.

The discussion included understanding what went well, where there are opportunities, and what we would do differently next time. In general, it was felt that the meeting was well managed, and members enjoyed catching up and interacting with colleagues, learning together and hearing some interesting presentations (Kazue's, in particular, has been receiving some very positive feedback). People missed the face to face aspects of the usual meeting, and would prefer to have a face to face meeting next year, but there is support for a hybrid meeting in future if necessary.

Erik reported that there was only one reply to the feedback survey. Mary mentioned the challenges around dropbox, but there were few technical issues otherwise. The online meeting allowed for greater participation, particularly from Brazil and Japan. Siri suggested adding a couple of online sessions to the next meeting, but predominantly present in person. There was a suggestion from Axel to aim for a physical meeting in August, and make a decision by May 2022, depending on the international travel situation at that time. This was agreed.

3. Opportunities to share presentations from virtual summer meeting (please see Ellen Deutsch's note).

The plan was to share presentations internally (via Dropbox) and perhaps have a YouTube channel to share our work more widely. We also have space for events on the new RHCS website, including hosting the presentations as powerpoint videos or pdfs.

Siri also mentioned a special journal issue based on RHC that may be a possible venue for dissemination. It is in *BMC Health Services Research*, with guest editors Siri and Jane O'Hara, to be launched 4 October and open for at least 12 months. The topic will be 'Resilient and responsive systems in a changing world'. This opportunity could be posted on the website.

Concerns were raised about dual publication, and also about sharing works in progress in a public channel before they are complete (particularly for students). Erik suggested the presentations should be on the website as they can be downloaded more easily, in addition to YouTube.

Jeffrey raised the topic of the books: the intent was to finish off Book 6 with Erik Jeffrey and Garth, and engage Mary as a co-editor with Jeffrey and Erik for the 7th book. Erik expressed the wish for the books to be topical rather than just meeting proceedings. Jeffrey suggested a possibility of examining the last two meetings for a common theme and producing a book from the material. Discussion ensued about the importance of the books as a record of our work, both in English and also internationally, particularly when edited by the key founding members in our field. Jeffrey mentioned that we do not have an ongoing contract with CRC, but are well recognised by the publisher if we decided to pursue another book. Erik suggested that the books should be top-down driven, based on topics that need to be addressed, rather than bottom-up based on whatever is presented at the meetings. Perhaps we could decide an important topic for the next meeting that may form a basis for the next book (the idea of Crisis Management was mooted, as an example).

In summary, as a group we should support the journal special issue, and consider the next meeting as a potential source of a new book. If people give permission to upload their presentations from the meeting this year, we can also offer the YouTube channel as an option.

4. Need for Standing Committees. Mary has received emails from a number of volunteers. Possibilities for sub-committees include:

Website. We do need to discuss the website, as we need a webmaster. It was decided to put out a call to members with appropriate skills, or alternately seek a contractor. Action: Mary

Programming for webinars. We may need a sub-committee for this in the future, to be discussed. In the interim, the ExCom requested that Erik and Jeffrey be tasked to arrange the next webinar with WHO as a presenter, and both agreed. Action: Jeffrey and Erik

Conference planning. Siri's centre at Stavanger would be interested in hosting a future meeting. In general, we do not need a support committee for this task and the ExCom will work with the host organisation to plan the next conference.

Publications. It was decided consider a call for managing publications at a later date.

Membership. The ExCom could look after the membership for now.

5. New Members.

We have had two applications from Sweden for new membership, supported and presented by Axel and Erik: Synnöve Ödegård and Irene Taeland. Both were approved by the ExCom.

6. Plan for future ExCom Meetings

Frequency. Next meeting approx. one month hence, to finalise discussions on sub-committees and other business, followed by a meeting every two months going forward.

Preferred times. Similar times to the current meeting.

7. 2022 Summer Meeting and General Assembly. To be addressed in more detail in future meetings.

8. AoB. No other business.

9. Next Meeting.

Mary will send a poll for dates approximately one month hence. Action: Mary