AYHD Board Meeting 18th December 2020

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Present: Tim Riswick, Ryohei Mogi, Sarah Rafferty, Michail Raftakis and Evelien Walhout (report); absent: Jeanne Cilliers.

Opening, agenda and announcements:

Jeanne has expressed her wish to give up her position as board member – instead she will act as ambassador. The board will explore the options of a new board member, or distribute her tasks among its other members;

Regarding the minutes of our last meeting: Lisa Dillon will be contacted by Tim regarding ambassadors in Canada/US. Likewise, Michail will contact Matt Nelson (Minnesota Population Center).

Content:

1. *Progress website*: the minutes are added to the website (by Michail), the profiles of the board members and the list of conferences were updated (by Tim).
2. *Progress on the newsletter:* the pros and cons of the newsletter are discussed. We have about 500 followers on Twitter; the newsletter only reaches 40 readers (ask Jeanne for list). Job vacancies are distributed via social media as well. We could replace the newsletter with a blog on our website; additionally, we may send a monthly email in which the main conferences and news items are listed.
3. *Progress of the Facebook Group and Page and the Twitter account:* we count 500 followers on Twitter, substantially more than on Facebook. Sarah has created a Google doc regarding the spotlight article, she will (again) send us the passwords and links (to add content ourselves).
4. *Progress on getting the materials from Summer Schools:* The Barcelona summer course was cancelled.
5. *Upcoming events:*
   * The Young Demographers will most probably organize an online conference in 2021. We will explore possible cooperation with them; either session(s) at the ESHD, or a new conference (annual (online) meeting, funded by Charles University, Prague). Tim will propose this to YD (ESHD will be asked for additional funding).
   * ESHD Madrid 2021: We propose at least one session in which we present ourselves – we ask the chairs for which PhD’s to invite.
   * A monthly online seminar is also proposed (in which one paper is discussed, with a peer and senior commentator).
   * Sarah will ask Alice Reid whether or not we may participate (thru a session or event) in the annual conference of The British Society for Population Studies (deadline of proposals is January 18th).
6. The next Board Meeting is planned on March 1st 2021, at 4pm.