EAHIL General Assembly

Date: **Friday 12 June 2015**
Time: **12.00 – 12.30**
Venue: **University of Edinburgh, Lecture Theatre 5, Appleton Tower**

Minutes

1.   **Welcome and apologies**
     Lotta Haglund (LH), Vice President of EAHIL, welcomed attendees to the General Assembly
     (GA) at EAHIL's workshop in Edinburgh. The General Assembly was confirmed to be a quorum.
     Apology for absence was received from Carol Lefebvre. The Board members introduced
     themselves

2.   **Announcements**
     a.   Information from Health Information & Libraries Journal that one free online issue is
          offered each year
     b.   The Board suggests making Sally Wood, former editor of JEAHIL, an honorary member of
          EAHIL. This was approved by the General Assembly

3.   **Minutes of the General Assembly 2014 (Rome)**
     The General Assembly accepted the minutes as an accurate document. They will be made
     available on the EAHIL web site.

4.   **President's report**
     Marshall Dozier (MD) summarized presidential reports, which give a summary of the activities
     of the Association and its representatives for the year. She focused on the importance of the
     work of different groups and committees. There are vacancies in the Council, MD encouraged
     members to stand as candidates for the Council and asked for help to recruit new members
     both to the Council and to EAHIL. The report is available on the EAHIL web site.

5.   **Secretariat Supervisor's report**
     Suzanne Bakker (SB) reported on the administration of the organization. All operations works
     smoothly. The membership database will soon have implemented a workflow for Council
     members for approval of new membership applications. Open Journal System is installed on
     the EAHIL web server and the process of moving the EAHIL journal to the OJS server can start.

6.   **JEAHIL Editor's Report**
     Federica Napolitani Cheyne (FN) introduced herself as the new editor in chief, she reported on
     changes in the JEAHIL Editorial Board and about how the work is organized. New is that the
     members of the board are responsible for special theme issues. A survey on JEAHIL was
     submitted to all members at the end of 2014; the results will be useful to improve the journal
     and will be presented in an article later.

7.   **Amendments to EAHIL Rules of Procedure and Policy Statements**
     EAHIL has three types of formal documents: (1) Statutes - legal documents, (2) Rules of

procedures, (3) Policy statements. (2) and (3) can be changed by the General Assembly. Current EAHIL Policy Statements can be found at the EAHIL web site

   a. Policy Statement 4f – on when SIG reports are made: "*The subgroup must submit a formal annual report to the EAHIL Board in advance of the …*"

   The Board proposed that subgroups submit their reports after the yearly summer meetings. Approved by the General Assembly

8. **Future EAHIL meetings**
   The next General Assembly will take place 10 June 2016, in Seville, Spain

9. **EAHIL Web site**
   Anna Kågedal (AK) reported on the status of the EAHIL web site. The web site phase 1 was launched in May; the new web site fulfils most of the specified needs. During the workshop, members and non-members have participated in usability testing of the new website. Further work will take into account the results from the usability test, and also focus on better solution for formal EAHIL documents and integration of the EAHIL Journal Integration of the Journal

10. **Any other business**
    Practical information on Library Tours departing after the close of the workshop.

Awards (presented at the closing ceremony)

Claire Honeyborne (EBSCO) presented the certificates by to the six recipients of the 500-euro EAHIL-EBSCO Conference Scholarships for 2015, awarded by the EAHIL Executive Board and sponsored by EBSCO. The winners were:

Jannicke Rusnes Barnes
Vesna Cafuta
Alberto Perlini
Valeria Scotti
Josip Simic
Dina Vrkic

The winners of the two 500 euro JEAHIL Scholarships for 2015, awarded by the Journal Editorial board editors for the best paper published in 2014, were Anthea Sutton and Jane Blumenthal

The Seville team introduced themselves, and the city, and invited the members to the next EAHIL conference in Seville 2016