



Malmö, 7 December, 2006

Minutes of the WAYEB General Assembly

The General Assembly was held in connection with the eleventh European Maya Conference which took place at Malmö University 4-9 December 2006 (4-7 Workshops, 8-9 Symposium) Thursday December 8th, 2006 in room D331 Building Orkanen, from 16.00 –19.00 at the Institute of Teacher Education, Nordenskiöldsgatan 10, 205 06 Malmö, SWEDEN

The General Assembly was attended by the following members:

Frauke Sachse, President (Germany), Geneviève Le Fort, Vice-president (Switzerland) Christian Prager, Treasurer (Germany), Bodil Liljefors Persson Secretary, (Sweden), Sven Gronemeyer Web responsible, (Germany) Ramzy Barrois (France), Jesper Nielsen Denmark), Andreas Fuls (Germany), Bruno Delprat (France) , Agnes Cougnaud (France), Susan Glenn (USA), Karl-Herbert Mayer (Germany) Julie Ludwig (Germany), Cindy Rowland (United Kingdom), Mark Rodinson (United Kingdom), Elisabeth Wagner (Germany), Alexander Tokovinine (USA), Julie Montoya (Belgium), Rafael Gardiol (Switzerland), Simon Martin, (USA), Philippe Nondedeo (France), Julie Patois (France), Jan-Michel Hoppan (France), Christophe Helmke (Denmark), Harri Kettunen (Finland), Dmitri Beliaev (Russia), Alexandre Safronov (Russia), Albert Davletshin (Russia), Lloyd Anderson (USA), Annette Kern (Germany).

Represented by proxy:

Catherine LeLuc (represented by procuracy Bodil Liljefors Persson).

The General Assembly meeting followed the proposed **Ordre du jour/Agenda** and this minute follows the order of the paragraphs as presented at the meeting.

§1. EMC Update; report from Conference Board (report by Frauke Sachse)

-12 EMC 2007 - Geneva and organised by Genevieve Le Fort together with Rafael Gardiol and in cooperation with Department of History of Religions and the Americanist Society of Switzerland. The Conference theme will focus on Maya Religion. Financing secured for basic expencies.

-13 EMC 2008 – applications officially from Paris and Krakow Decision will be made in early spring 2007.

-EMC Proceedings:

-Recent/pending publication 7th, 8th and 9th Proceedings volumes. London proceedings from 2002 is published and out, Bonn proceedings from 2004 is published and out, Madrid proceedings from 2003 is soon finished, Hamburg proceedings from 2001 is soon finished. Regarding the Leiden proceedings the editing process will start in 2007.

-Wayeb strives at speeding up the editing processes and the Malmö Proceedings have a preliminary date for collecting the articles at the end of March 2007. Ideally the editing process should not take more than 8-12 months, but this is of course due to the fact that all articles is sent in accordingly to the scheduled dates.

- Introduction of Standardized Guidelines for the Editing process of EMC.Proceedings. This standard document on Guidelines for the editing process is formulated and should be used. Editor of the EMC Proceedings is always the person(s) responsible for collecting and editing the volume, and often also the person(s) who organise the EMC.

§2. EMC General issues (report by Frauke Sachse and Christian Prager)

Concerning the future workshop organisation:

-The Workshop Working Group will be integrated into the Conference Board.

-It was discussed how to organise and to structure the EMC and the Workshops, and it was suggested to enlarge the present CB that consists of Christian P, Frauke S, Geneviève LF, Bodil Liljefors Persson and Rogelio V. Thus 27 members at the GA voted for Frauke S, Christian P, Geneviève LF, Bodil LP, Rogelio V, Harri K, Alexandre T, and Christophe H. This group should handle all the questions concerning the EMC and the Workshops in the future. Thus we have the present CB extended with three persons. A few within the CB will be more responsible for the Conference in general and others more responsible for the Workshops in general.

Also, Cindy Rowland and Elisabeth Wagner volunteered to help within the extended workshop group when necessary.

-The GA postponed to vote for Academic Adviser until next EMC in Geneva. The GA voted for an extension of Nikolai Grube for one more year as Academic Adviser.

-From the EMC here in Malmö, for the first time evaluation sheets are collected from the participants in the workshops, and this will continue as a routine in the future.

-Frauke reported about Visa and internet fraud from Nigeria and other countries. Two paid their registration fees – apparently with stolen credit cards from Italy and the UK – and wanted to have a conference invitation. The fee was refunded and it was reported to the German Police on October 30, 2006.

§3. Wayeb Website (report by Sven Gronemeyer)

-Sven showed us the recent new features on the website. New Software will be bought.

-Acta Mesoamericana, Verlag Anton Sauerwein, is available on Saurwein Online Store.

-Who-is-who have got new design. Everyone can now type their own Who-is-who on line. Just fill in the form. This is for everybody on the Maya Field. So it is not only for Wayeb members. The purpose is to offer possibilities for Mayanists all over the world to get in contact with each other.

-The payment system is a secured internet system.

- New Project is the Online Wikipedia for Maya Studies.

-Wayeb needs more active members in assisting Sven when he does not have time. Andreas Fuls willing to assist, but stresses that it should be easier for a person who lives in the same city, that is Bonn at the moment.

§4 Current and Future Wayeb Activities

- Wayeb Notes, edited by Christian Prager runs well. The Review Committee consists of: Harri K, Christophe H, Dmitri B and Christian P.

-The Maudslay project is developing and contacts have been made with the Museum.

§5. Finances Report (by Christian Prager)

-The Current Financial Situation was presented – and will be added to this Minutes as a separate attachment.

-For nextcoming EMC the AC will strive to have the Academic Advisor to check the Finances Report before the GA.

§6. Elections:

- Administrative Council – The GA voted for the Founding members and for Rogelio, V Bodil LP, and Dmitri B to constitute the AC.
- Account Auditors – Andreas Fuls is reelected as Account supervisor.

§7. Variae

- AT this year no Maya scholar participated and this is due to the fact that Wayeb and the conference could not cover the costs. In the future, Wayeb strive at inviting Maya scholars to the coming conferences.

§8. Concluding remarks.

The GA was closed and the evening continued with refreshments, drinks and snacks in the Main entrance Hall of the Building Orkanen, Malmö University. There the tradition of Wayeb evening rituals continued - and we all engage eagerly in eating, drinking and talking with the same enthusiasm that always characterises the evenings during each European Maya Conference.

Frauke Sachse, president of Wayeb, finished the Annual Meeting of the General Assembly in Malmö 2006.

Limhamn, Sweden, December 2006.

Wayeb Secretary

Bodil Liljefors Persson

Wayeb President

Frauke Sachse