Faculty Assembly and Board of Trustees 2015

“So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.” (Psalm 90:12, ESV)

Despite the advice from God’s word, few people take time to think about the life they live and the outcome of their endeavours.

We, at EuNC, usually take the month of January to look back and reflect on the results that God brought to our college during the previous year. It is a time to rejoice on the many blessings that we received from the Lord, and at the same time it is an opportunity to make new projections of what we expect to achieve during the new year that is ahead of us.

This time, the scenery of the beautiful city of Budapest, Hungary was the background of our meetings that brought together the Board of Trustees of the college, Leadership Team, Curriculum Cluster Chairs, Learning Centre Coordinators throughout Europe and Asia, and several faculty members who teach on a regular basis at our school.

Being “One School in Many Nations”, these events helped to build and strengthen the ties of fellowship, interconnectedness, and interdependence as well as give a sense of cohesion to the whole group as we prayed, learned, reflected, and projected together for the present and future of our school.

In this newsletter, it is our desire to convey a small glimpse of these meetings in the certainty that you will continue to join your prayers to ours for this new year of 2015 that God has opened for our school.
Highlights from the Board of Trustees Meeting

On Monday, 26 January 2015, the annual meeting of the EuNC board of trustees took place in Budapest, Hungary. Fourteen people (both ministers and lay delegates) participated, representing all four Fields of the Eurasia Region where our school serves as educational provider. Our special guest was Dr. Dan Copp, Director of Global Education and Clergy Development in the Church of the Nazarene. Some highlights of the Rector’s report include:

• 305 active students in fifteen countries.

• Increase in FTE (full-time equivalency) and courses offered across the learning centres.

• New European personnel in curriculum development and in the leadership of the learning centres.

• Exploring new avenues to teach courses in many learning centres, especially video-conferencing and aspects of online education to reach students more effectively and efficiently.

• The plans for the property and facilities in Büsingen will be disclosed in the near future as negotiations and decisions are coming to a close.

All in all we are thankful for God’s guidance, presence and blessing this past year! He has been confirming over and over the decision of becoming a fully decentralised school working closely with the region, fields, districts and local churches in enabling Christlike disciples for ministry!
2015 Faculty Assembly

Following EuNC’s Board of Trustees meeting, the 2015 Faculty Assembly was held at the same venue in Budapest, Hungary. This is the event when faculty and administrators get together for learning, coordination, prayer and worship.

We were privileged to have Dr. Mark Maddix, Dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministries of Northwest Nazarene University as our main speaker, equipping us to do better ministry in serving our adult and online students. He shared several best practices in the education and training of these type of students. We are very thankful for Dr. Maddix’s investment in EuNC’s faculty.

We were also honoured to have Dr. Dan Copp, Education Commissioner and Director of Global Clergy Development. He shared a devotional with us as well as information about Education and Clergy Development around the world.

We had several breakout sessions in small groups which allowed for some exchanges between the different learning centres where ideas and needs were shared. It was a great opportunity to have a better understanding of the different realities across the learning centres.

Times like this serve to build and strengthen relationships and are of great encouragement as we carry on the mission of being “One School in Many Nations”.

Learning Centres: Albania-Kosova, Armenia, Bulgaria, Central Asia, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, The Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Scandinavia, Spain, Ukraine
A Word from the Rector

Over sixty people attended the EuNC meetings in Budapest. It was another demonstration of being One School in Many Nations Enabling Christlike Disciples for Ministry. What a great beginning of the new year for European Nazarene College – with board members, faculty and staff coming together to learn, pray and worship, discuss, fellowship and celebrate! For Martina and myself it is a privilege to minister together with such wonderful and committed “co-workers in God’s service” (1 Corinthians 3:9). Please continue to pray for each of our learning centres as EuNC participates in the Eurasia region in collaboration with our four fields, the districts, the local churches and all ministry entities in fulfilling God’s mission.

In Christ,

Klaus Arnold, Rector