



UNION OF THE BALTIC CITIES
61ST MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
Karlstad, Sweden, 17 June 2011

AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda.
2. Election of two persons who, together with the President, will check the minutes.
3. Presentation of the city of Karlstad.
4. Application for membership from Tierp, Sweden, presentation of the city.

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board decided to accept Tierp as a member of the Union of the Baltic Cities and wished Tierp a successful cooperation with other UBC member cities.

5. Latest developments in the Commission on Health & Social Affairs, Chairman Wojciech Drozd, Elbląg.

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board encouraged member cities especially from Scandinavia to show more interest in the work of the Commission on Health & Social Affairs

6. UBC Strategy, Communication and Marketing, proposal from Tendensor.

Information to the Board:

Proposal from Tendensor attached. Final talks with Tendensor will be held in one week on 9 June.

7. XI General Conference in Liepaja, UBC 20th anniversary, 5-6 October 2011
“Building on the past, heading for the future”

7.1 Welcome words

Uldis Sesks, Mayor of Liepaja

Per Bødker Andersen, President of UBC

President / Prime Minister of Latvia

7.2 Keynote speakers session 1

Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for Regional Policy, *EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea region: A New Framework for Joint Action* (tbc)

Paavo Lipponen, former Prime Minister of Finland, *Baltic Sea Region: From Cold War to Arena of Cooperation* (tbc)

Representative of the City of St. Petersburg, *Future prospects for Baltic Sea cooperation*

Hans Skov Christensen, Vice-Chairman of Baltic Development Forum, *Challenges and possibilities for economic cooperation in the BSR*



7.3 Keynote speakers session 2

Ilmar Reepalu, Mayor of Malmö, *How we can be relevant for bigger cities*

Urve Tiidus, former Mayor of Kuressaare, Member of the Parliament of Estonia, *How we can be relevant for smaller cities*

How to involve young people more in the UBC work

City of Turku, *UBC Strategy*

7.4 Official anniversary dinner - speakers

Anders Engström, UBC Honorary President, former UBC President, former Mayor of Kalmar

Michael Bouteiller, former UBC Vice- President and former Mayor of Lübeck

7.5 Meetings of UBC Commissions

7.6 Conference workshops

W1. How to strengthen economic attractiveness of cities

Coordinator/moderator: new Commission on Business Cooperation

Invited speakers:

Ms Liang Hong, Vice-chairperson of Hefei People's Congress, China

Mr Tomasz J. Kayser, Deputy Mayor of Poznań

Ms Marlene B. Lorentzen, Councillor, Kolding

W2. How to master climate change; success factors in local integrated climate management

Coordinator/moderator: Commission on Environment

Invited speakers:

W3. How to meet the demographic challenge ; the ageing society

Coordinator/moderator: Commission on Health & Social Affairs

Invited speakers:

Ms Johanna Reiman, Executive Director, Baltic Region Healthy Cities Association

Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health & Social Well-being (NDPHS)

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board encouraged the Commissions to continue the preparations in order to produce attractive and interactive workshops

7.7 Auditor's Report

Information to the Board:

Auditor's report for 2009 and 2010 was sent out to the member cities on 9 May 2011.

7.8 Board of Audit Report

Information to the Board:

Board of Audit inspected UBC Secretariat in Gdańsk on 5 May 2011. Board of Audit report is under preparation.

7.9 Absolving the Presidium, Board, Secretary



7.10 Membership Fees 2012-2013

Recommendation to the Board:

Due to global economic decline, the Board recommended to the GC to keep the membership fees on unchanged level in the next 2-year period.

7.11 Executive Board in the next period

7.12 President and Vice-Presidents in the next period

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board took note the following persons are going to candidate to the Presidium for the next period

Per Boedker Andersen, Deputy Mayor of Kolding, for the President
Marie-Louise Rönmark, Mayor of Umeå, for the 1st Vice-President
Jarkko Virtanen, Deputy Mayor of Turku, for Vice-President

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7.13 Board of Audit in the next period

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board took note the present members of the Board of Audit namely: Ewa Back Sunsvall, Marta Chełkowska Gdynia, Jukka Vilen Kemi, are ready to candidate to the BoA for the next period.

7.14 Secretariat in the next period

Information to the Board:

Attached a letter from the Mayor of Gdańsk offering to host the UBC Secretariat in Gdańsk in the next period.

7.15 Auditor in the next period

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board proposed to the General Conference to appoint the licensed auditing company BILANS from Gdańsk as UBC auditor for 2011-2012

7.16 Venue of the XI UBC General Conference in autumn 2013 - Mariehamn

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board recommended General Conference to hold the XII GC in Mariehamn.

7.17 UBC Cultural Prize 2011

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board suggested the UBC Cultural Prize 2011 will be granted in Liepāja in the end of General Assembly



7.18 Practical information from the conference host

8. Application from the WG on Local Safety to create the Commission on Local Safety

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board decided to transform the WG on Local Safety into the Commission on Local Safety and asked the General Conference for approval

9. Latest conferences attended by UBC representatives.

10. Any other business.

10.1 Presentation from Gotland on Node G project www.nodg.se

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board asked the Commission on Urban Planning to cooperate in project implementation.

10.2 Letter from CECICN to Dirk Ahner, Director General DG Regio, concerning White Paper on Territorial Cooperation

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board authorized the Presidium to appoint a person to represent UBC in the work of CECICN.

10.3 Question from CIT water urban management AB

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board asked the Commission on Environment to take contact and eventually cooperate with project coordinators in creation of the network of wastewater decision makers in coastal transition areas.

10.4 Baltic Cities Bulletin, 20th anniversary of UBC foundation

11. Next meeting of the Executive Board, Liepaja, 4 October 2011.

Recommendation to the Board:

The Board decided to hold its next meeting on the eve of the General Conference in Liepaja, 4 October 2011.