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Activity Report 2015

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Structure and development

The Board has undergone some changes during the year.

Ton Schouten is still not active in the board. During the next election, at the conference in 2016 in Pforzheim, a new board has to be elected (as written in the statutes). If Ton attends the conference he can be a candidate again. If he is not there, he will not be reelected. Gabi Birle is doing all the secretary tasks till the next conference. We had 2 board meetings in 2015: 20-22 February and 18-20 September We spoke of the upcoming conference, planned April 2016. We talked about the program, invitations, caretakers etc. We also spoke about legal obligations the network has. we divided the tasks within the board more specific.

Cindy De Klerk and Rick Pasman participated in the 2015 EURORDIS meeting of members in Madrid, Spain.

## Homepage

www.chromosome11.eu → www.chromosome11.org

Work on our homepage continues. The construction of the page and our webhost is in hands of the family Bressel (Germany) The Facebook page is working as a communication between the European members, but also with the American Network.

## **Our Scientific Advisors**

Ahead of the conference in Pforzheim in April 2016 we have been in contact with all Scientific Advisors to design interesting and informative presentations to the attending families.

The collaboration with the Erasmus University will we continued. 10 children have been examined by Dr Virgil Dalm. the outcome of his findings will be shown at the conference in 2016 Prof Paul Grossfeld and Dr. Ken Parish from the USA and Virgil Dalm all will attended the conference 2016. They all have given us a lot of support and information. The cooperation will be continued.

## **Finances**

As usual in the years between conferences there has been little financial activity in the Network. Donations were quite healthy at just under €3,000 and leaped us make a small excess of almost €500. At the end of the year we had €26,500 in our German and UK bank accounts – more than enough to commit to the conference in 2016! Best wishes Nigel, Treasurer Stafford , UK.

The Board Bockenem, Germany