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NORDIC INEPS MEETING HELD IN GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN

The following are excerpts from minutes sent to us by Dennis Huntington on the newly formed group of Nordic nations. We have taken the liberty of reediting the highlights for the INEPS Newsletter. The meeting took place in Gothenburg, Sweden and lasted two days. The participants discussed their various projects and formed a framework to build a coalition of schools of Nordic schools.

Results of the meeting

Participants came from the following countries; Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

From Sweden the participants came from;

Hulebäcksgymnasiet, Tjörn, Halmstad - Klaraskolan, Kungsbacka, Järfälla, Falkenberg, Vingagymnasiet

The aim of the network is to encourage;

Student exchange, Teachers exchange, Seminars, Congresses, Sharing news and descriptions of schoolwork

One of the project groups tasks is to find funding for the network.

A Website will be created to do the following:

A model for student exchange was presented, The idea of the open school discussed, New friends and new contacts, Extended knowledge about the schools in the Nordic countries

To Create a projectgroup to develop a Nordic network of productive schools

The next steps:

The projectgroup will meet in Helsinki 7 - 11 June to discuss: the creation of the network and a plan a way of funding.

The project group members will consist of:

Michael Vinther-Nielsen, Dennis Huntington, Karen S Eiden, Heidi Staurheim, Kari Rajaorko

Anticipated Number of Member schools

Norway	Sweden	Finland	Denmark	Iceland
10	10	10	10	1

SAVE THESE DATES FOR THE 2008 INEPS CONGRESS

Herewith we would like to heartily invite you to take part in the 20th INEPS Congress which is going to be held from April 21 to April 26 in 2008 at the Black Sea Coast in the city of Bourgas. We are sure we will have eventful, innovative and informative days there.

More detailed information about the city of Bourgas and the surroundings as well you may receive at www.bourgas.net

Until September there will be more detailed information for you and we do hope to get a first feed back about your interest concerning your participation in the respective congress.

You are also invited to express your wishes and proposals that we would like to take into consideration when planning the congress.

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ALEXANDER TUBELSKY

We learned through the internet from Olga Leontieva that the Russian educational pioneer, Alexander Tubelsky died. Alexander Tubelsky was the head teacher of the School of Self Determination (Moscow, Russia). He led this first Russian democratic school for more then 10 years. He recently organized an association of democratic schools of Russia. It now includes over 20 schools. The number of such schools is increasing, thus widening the scope of democratic education. Some of us who attended the Moscow Congress in 2005 were fortunate enough to visit his school and had a chance to see this extraordinary institution in action. He will sorely be missed by all those who believe in educational reform.

