

Annual report 2011 Hijman Degen Foundation (hereafter referred to as HDF)

Composition of the board:

At the start of the year, the general board was comprised of the following persons:

Mr. J. Lansen MSc, chairman
Ms. M. Bous-Vocking, secretary
Mr. W. van den Broek, treasurer
Ms. M. Muthert
Ms. O. Sollewijn Gelpke-Meijer LLM (until February 2011)

Advisors:

Ms. M. Mannesse
Ms. F. Meijer-Degen
Ms. E. Klück-Walpot
Ms. Dr. M. Rutten-Saris
Mr. Dr .C. de Bode

The day-to-day board was comprised of the chairman, the secretary, the treasurer and Ms. M. Muthert.

During 2011, two meetings of the general board were convened, while the day-to-day board gathered three times.

The Dutch tax authority once again qualified the HDF as a public benefit organization (ANBI)

Reputation:

To realize its goals, the HDF remains dependent on external financial aid and donations. We have contacted various organizations to obtain financial aid for the activities of the HDF.

To bring the HDF to the attention to the professional art therapists an information meeting was organized on May 12, 2012. There was a great interest. Some of the attendees expressed their interest to be involved with the HDF, either as member of the board, trainer or otherwise.

Training manual "Coping with loss and trauma through art therapy":

The training manual that was written by Ms. Fiety Meijer has been completely sold out. However, it is still possible to order the manual on demand. Persons working in institutions in low-income countries mostly order the manual. For each such order it is assessed whether or not the manual should be distributed for free. Furthermore, it is currently envisaged to translate the manual in Arabic. Moreover, we have also explored possibilities to expand the manual by adding other forms of non-verbal therapy. Practice has shown that there is a need for this.

In April and August 2011 trainings were organized in Cameroon. The set objectives were achieved and the results were great. Currently, it is being explored whether there are possibilities for onsite supervision.

The HDF provided manuals and a donation to acquire art materials for the benefit of art therapy

training for Iraqi social workers and medical doctors, which took place in Berlin.

In 2011 the following contacts were made:

Impulsis

HAN University of Applied Sciences

HU University of Applied Sciences

War Trauma Foundation

Wings of Hope

IRCT Copenhagen

Kirkuk Center for Torture Victims, Iraq