

ECER Conference 2019 (Hamburg)

Network 18 (Research in Sport Pedagogy) Meeting Agenda

5th September 2018 (12:10-1:20pm)

Agenda Item
<p>1. Welcome from Network convenor and reintroduce the Network team</p> <p>Those in attendance from the convenor team: Rachel Sandford, Fiona Chambers, Oliver Hooper, Kyriaki Makopoulou, Wesley O'Brien, Göran Gerdin.</p> <p>Members in attendance: Rod Philpot, Bonnie Pang, Valeria Varea, Gunn Engelstud, Maud Hietzge, Susanne Linner, Katarina Schenker, Lena Larsson, Roland Mesimer, Tim Heemsoth, Nicola Carse, Andy Hudson, David Aldous, Amanda Mooney, Laura Alfrey, Jorunn Spord Borgen, Lorraine Cale, Sue Whatman.</p> <p>Apologies: Antonio Calderon, Knut Westlie, Katie Fitzpatrick (attending NW08 meeting instead)</p>
<p>2. Approval of Minutes from previous ECER meeting (Bolzano 2018)</p> <p>We had been unable to attach the minutes to the email sent out via the mailing list, so to ensure that all in attendance were able to review the minutes they were shown on screen. The link convenor (RS) went through each item and action points were noted – most of these were also to be covered within the agenda for today's meeting but those that weren't were spoken to. Only one error was noted which was the venue of ECER 2021 (noted as Vienna rather than Geneva) – this was amended within the minutes.</p> <p>Following this run-through of the minutes from last meeting, they were ultimately approved by those in attendance.</p>
<p>3. 2019 Activities</p> <p>Activities undertaken by NW18 in 2019 were reviewed, specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Successful funding bid to EERA for a specialist symposium on 'Creative and Innovative Methods in Educational Research'. This event, a follow-up to the successful symposium on Voice, Values and Ethics at University College Cork (Ireland) in 2018, will take place at Loughborough University (UK) and will link NW18 with the BERA Research Methods and ECR special interest groups. It was noted that it was initially planned for March 2019 but was delayed and is now hopefully going to run in November 2019. Convenor team will send details to membership in due course.• Submission of Honorary membership nomination. Following actions agreed at the NW18 meeting in Bolzano, a proposal for Honorary Membership for Prof. Kathleen Armour was completed by the convenor team and submitted to the EERA office. This should be discussed at the next EERA council meeting.• Update on website redesign and launch and NW18 webpage. It was noted that

the website had changed and that information was being updated. Members were asked for comments and some noted that they had used the website and found it more accessible. RS noted that an updated video will be following soon and encouraged members to use the website as a means of directing students/colleagues to the work of EERA and NW18. **WOB to send details once fully updated.**

4. Overview of ECER 2019

RS provided an overview of statistics on NW18.

- As a network, we received 39 submissions; there were 2 redirects; 2 papers were rejected (clear reasons outlined for rejection and positive feedback given to authors, with encouragement to try again); 0 papers were withdrawn; one joint session was planned with NW08 but a paper withdrawal mid-conference led to this being dropped (the two remaining papers were subsumed into NW08 and NW18).

RS thanked the reviewer team and asked for feedback on the review process. Some comments included:

- Word count is high – there are pros and cons associated with this. On the one hand, more preference for this from authors, but perhaps not so for reviewers?
- European dimension criterion identified as being potentially problematic. RS gave an explanation as to how the reviewers perceive this criteria and some advice was given as to how submissions might help to make such aspects of their work more explicit.

Attendees were asked to give their reflections on the conference so far. Comments included:

- Pros: Programming seems to have been done well; session formats have been useful (3 papers per session 20+10); questioning and discussions have been 'friendly'; repeat attenders; breadth of participants; NW meal (attended by 32).
- Cons: Not located near NW08 – problematic as much cross over, more alignment between the two needed; Rooms not ideal – lack of ventilation, set-up quite poor; 4 days quite a long conference – BUT avoid late/parallel sessions.
- Questions: How do we reach out to local communities? Are there scopes for alternative formats of presentation – e.g. more creative approaches, how are these communicated?
- The convenor team will take these on board and reflect on them with regard to NW18 activities for Glasgow 2020.

It was noted that NW18 were pleased to have a range of nationalities represented within the NW sessions this year. Presentations/presenters from a range of contexts, including:

* England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, Greece, Spain, Norway, Germany, Lithuania, France and USA.

5. 2020 Activities

An overview of activities for the coming year was given, specifically:

- It was noted that we would look to **update the reviewer list** for the network. Attendees were asked to put their names forward if they were interested in joining the team or to make it known if they wanted to withdraw from this duty. Some individuals expressed an interest during the meeting, but attendees also had the option to come and discuss this with RS after the meeting. Some names put forward for joining the reviewer list, including: Tim Heemsoth, Bonnie Pang, Sue Whatman, David Aldous.
- RS noted the **upcoming NW08 name change** from ‘Research in Health Education’ to become ‘Health and Wellbeing Education’ and we discussed the conceptual overlap with our network focus. It was noted that the overlap was not something to be worried about but something to embrace and use as a means to further strengthen connections between ourselves and NW08. [see below]
- **Special calls for joint sessions.** RS noted the name change for NW08 had led to conversations about a special call (with NW08) for papers around ‘School Health and Well-being’ for Glasgow 2020. **RS will follow up with the link convenor of NW08 about this.**
- Suggestions for other **special calls/symposia** were also sought, in order to help us build the network through links with other groups. Some suggestions here included: MH – Visual approaches; GE – Precarity in PE, global approaches; DA – Place of PE in curricula; NC – Scotland in focus symposium. **Convenor team to discuss these and follow up with relevant individuals.**

6. Information from network convenors meeting

RS provided an update for attendees, particularly in relation to:

- **EERA five-year strategy.** Key areas include: 1 – EERA and the wider world; 2 – Relationships; 3 – Networks; 4 – Research and Policy; 5 – Publications [here, it was noted that EERJ had been accepted to SSCI].
- **Increased financial support** from EERA. Includes Network Development Funding (to support development of networks – up to 3000 euros) and Special Occasion funds (up to 250 euros).
- RS noted EERA’s intention to **engage NWs in the selection of keynotes.** An email will be sent to the link convenors about this and **RS will then disseminate relevant information via mailing list.**
- **EERA Blog** to be launched in January 2020. Networks will be asked for contributions and some suggestions were given about how NW18 might address this, including: asking guest speakers to write a short piece post-conference; having an overview of new publications/research reports; collective pieces on contemporary social, cultural or political issues...

Attendees were encouraged to keep an eye on the EERA website and to make sure they were on the mailing list for NW18. [see also below]

7. NW18- specific business

- **‘Keeping in touch’** – newsletters, social media and mailing lists: make a concerted effort to be in touch more regularly. **WOB to be contacted if want to send information out to mailing list.**

- **Guest speakers** – We discussed the trend for NW18 to bring in ‘local’ guest speakers for each conference and it was agreed that these were interesting and productive. For Glasgow 2020 it was proposed that SERA would be invited to lead a guest session. **RS to follow up on this with NC.**
- **NW18 name change** – Following NW08’s name change, it was noted that the convenor team were considering whether NW18 should also reflect on it’s name and whether it accurately reflected the work of all participants. RS commented that it might be helpful to reflect on this as a network and consider whether a proposal for a name change might also be something we want to do. There was some support for this within the room, although it was noted that we would take our time to gather the reflections of all members and then initiate a further discussion around possible options. In relation to this, some discussion ensued about ‘keywords’, including: MH – no more than 3 topics, likes PE and the body; LA – queried sport coaching focus; GG – lack of focus on PE, needs to be brought to the fore; FC – focus needs to be on PE – consider who we want in the room? RS – what is unique and what is provided within this NW but not elsewhere?
RS proposed ways forward – convenor team to come up with possible names and share more broadly.

8. Future conferences

Attendees were reminded about the forthcoming conferences:

- ECER 2020 – Glasgow
- ECER 2021 – Geneva

RS reminded individuals to take note of submission dates etc. and encouraged earlier submissions.

9. AOB

No other business was noted. RS thanked the convenor team again and all presenters involved in this year’s schedule for NW18. FC also thanked RS for her leadership of the network over the past year.