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During the past year, the Hungarian national branch (HNB) made substantial efforts to arrange the official registration of the organization. We also opened the organization's bank account and thus the membership fee was properly transferred for the first time.

The constitution of the HNB is yet to be translated; as soon as it is done it will be sent to the secretary general.

This year the whole world celebrates the 125th anniversary of Béla Bartók's birth. The Hungarian National Branch is also contributing to the celebration: our members are participating in organizing national conferences, exhibitions, concerts, popular competitions and each music library has its own Bartók programs.

Meetings

Hungarian National Branch held three meetings in 2005. Two special general assemblies were held (September and October of 2005) discussing the modification of the constitution required by the Municipal Court for the registration of the organization.

The third meeting discussed the following issues:

- report of the conference in Warsaw:
- outreach activity in Hungary;
- status of the R-Projects.

After the meeting, the Hungarian National Branch members visited the Bartók exhibition of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences Institute for Musicology.

R-Projects

The management of the Hungarian National Branch started a discussion with the Library Department of the Cultural Ministry regarding the participation of Hungary in the R-Projects. The head of the department asked for a feasibility study about the terms of involvement. The study must analyze the financial, physical and personal conditions of the contribution and is to be delivered by September 2006. The Hungarian National Branch asked the support of the Ministry regarding the subscription to the online databases. The Hungarian National Branch is planning to found a new consortium to ensure the continuous subscription to RILM online.

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