

**Board meeting – 07 Sep 2020, 11:00 a.m. CET, MS Teams**

# Minutes

**Participants**

**Board:** Hans Renes (HR), president; Sebastian Eiter (SE), treasurer; Alexandra Kruse (AK), secretary general, minutes

**Enlarged board:** Zdeněk Kučera (ZK)

**Agenda**

- I. Minutes of previous board meeting
- II. GA 2020
- III. Date and time for next board meeting
- IV. Miscellaneous

**I. Minutes of previous board meeting**

- The minutes of the board meeting on 29th June 2020 were adopted.  
Alexandra may circulate them to all members.

**II. GA 2020 - online**

According to our statutes §13(6), the regular Members' General Assembly has as its principal tasks:

- the election of the Executive Board – only every 4 years, therefore no elections in 2020,
- the acceptance of the activity report (AK) and accounts (SE),
- the approval of the budget (SE+AK) (what to use the member fees for),
- the exculpation of the Executive Board, (omitted in 2020)
- the confirmation of new members, (no members since the last MA in 2019)
- the exclusion of members, (no exclusions in 2020)
- the setting of member fees, (no topic in 2020)
- the election of two financial controllers or auditors,
- the decision, if necessary, to amend the Statutes, (no need to amend the statutes at the moment, but see discussion about the future GA's procedures)
- the decision, if necessary, to dissolve the Association. (No topic in 2020)

It follows a discussion about the future procedure. According to our statutes, we have the GA every 2 years within the framework of the PECSRL-conference. If we do it in 2020 online, this would mean that we must have the next one in 2022, maybe again online, while next PECSRL will be in 2021. If we change the rhythm or the performance, we also have to change our statutes, which means having a formal voting and afterwards a date with the notary. Therefore, the board decided to count this year online GA as an exception, as we have not yet decided about a procedure HOW to do the online GA, which would have been necessary according to our statutes §13(9). Depending on how our this-year online-GA functions, we will decide afterwards, if we generally switch to online-GAs, which would have several advantages, among others:

- More people can participate – also those who are not present at PECSRL. Number of participants has been steadily decreasing the last years.
- It is relatively easy to organise and could be held yearly, which gives quick information to the members.
- It leaves more time for sessions and networking at PECSRL – instead of having too many obligations within such a short time.

Disadvantage would be that it remains more internally, even if we will publish the link towards the online-GA on EUCALAND's website.

The following procedure was decided:

1. AK will send an email with the following question to the members. She will attach the statutes:
  - The executive board would like to ask you, as EUCALAND member, to get permission to organise the GA in 2020 exceptionally online, which is possible according to §13(5) stating that extraordinary GAs can be decided by the EUCALAND Board and §13(9) of our statutes, knowing that there was no procedure established in a former meeting.
  - AK will send a draft of this email until Wednesday to HR and SE
  - Deadline for member answers: 18<sup>th</sup> of Sep
  - If they do not react, we take this as approval (sentence to be included in the email)
  - Suggested date: 4<sup>th</sup> of Nov 2020 from 10.00 – 12.00 CET.
  - Invitation draft as attachment
2. Email with the official invitation by October 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - There will be no elections of the executive board, as according to §14 (4) The Executive Board shall be elected for 4 years. Re-election is possible.
  - Call for candidates for 2 auditors
  - Members have the possibility to add agenda items until October 21<sup>st</sup> (2 weeks before the GA)
3. Circulation: one week before the meeting (latest: 28<sup>th</sup> of October): final agenda, moral report, financial report, report of the two auditors

### III. Date and time for next board meeting

- AK will send EUCALAND balance to SE later this week
- 23/09, 13:00 p.m. CEST: SE sends invitation via MS Teams. Agenda: Discuss possible feedback by the members. Se and AK will work afterwards on the balances (since last GA) and budget for 2020/21
- 26<sup>th</sup> October 10 o'clock: Preparatory meeting for the GA:

### IV. Miscellaneous

- Sebastian, Wendy and Alexandra are actually working on a JPICH Call for Proposals: Cultural Heritage, Identities & Perspectives: Responding to Changing Societies" which will be led by Lena Athanasiadou, EUCALAND member from Thessaloniki University/Greece
- Our joint article on "Enclosed land" proceeds, Della Hooke, publisher is at the moment formatting and proof-reading the country chapters.

Meeting ended: 12:00 p.m.