Minutes of the Spring meeting of the Association of Senators in Europe

30th March 2019

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Barry Miller

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Present:



Ali Akal

Gerard Chabert

Bjorn Conradi

Jacques Arnal

Pierrett Broueilh Madis Madamurk

Item	Topic
1	Call to order and creed
2	Apologies for absence (Noted above)
3	Adoption of the agenda Noted that Serge Goldman wished to make a presentation to the President at the end of the meeting
4	The minutes of the 3 rd Board meeting held in Barcelona were adopted
5	Written reports taken as read
6	Progress since Barcelona

Herbert Ewers

Kostas Varsos

Paul Hill



- 1. 3 talks have been held with JCI which have offered possibilities:
 - 1.1. ASE takes up sponsorship for awards. There will be an early bird fee registration for World Congress in Tallinn, for the winner of best member at Lyon Conference
 - 1.2. Best new member will receive an early bird registration for Dublin 2020
 - 1.3. Training was offered to JCI for reverse coaching, this was refused
 - 1.4. General training was offered to JCI for European Conference and was refused
 - 1.5. An offer was made to assist dying or struggling countries. JCI is looking to implement things in a different way and there was hesitation here so no decision was made
- 2. We need to make sure that we are including orphan senators and senators with numbers above 70,000
- 3. Little King JCI is incredibly successful and we have over 120 languages now
- 4. Senate President of the Week we are only waiting for Poland and Italy and then we will have had a president from every country. There will be an exhibition of all the presidents of the week in Lyon
- 5. 50th anniversary pins have been made and these are 5 euro each. the price was agreed by the Board
- 6. Working groups the hardest working group has been the legal beagles A big thank you to Charlotte Velling and her team
- 7. Vision 2030 this is a work in progress by Robbert Van Waart and Filipe Carrerra who will make a presentation in Lyon
- 8. Copies of the half year report that was presented at World Congress were made available

7 Updates Area Europe

Aud Schjoedt Fredriksen reported that it would be a good idea to have a charge d'affaires with delegated duties to individuals who are interested in their countries. This works better than the mandatory allocation of countries.

27 countries have been visited this year and other countries have been contacted by telephone or skype.

We need to find out what support Senators are giving to JCI in their countries and encourage Senators to attend each others events, spring board and AGM.

Finally Aud felt that we should continue in this fashion and thanked Marcus Tschann for starting the work with the Eastern European countries.

We have tools set for mapping activity next year, and a spreadsheet of activity which will have more improvements next year.

Pelin Kadilar reported that she is trying to get hold of some quotations from the British Senate with regard to T-shirts. Mark Riddel (British Senate Chairman) agreed to follow up the enquiry. Pelin will also go to German Senate suppliers for prices

A presentation was made for the World Congress taking place in Tallinn Updates Areas A, B & C (written report) Reports were noted To do / support needed on Breakthrough Initiatives No support is needed at this time SIGS / other initiatives / support needed

	Peter Browning reported that there was now digital access to the European Senate newsletter. Countries subscribe on behalf of their members. Will ASE subscribe on behalf of orphan senators? 300 euro would cover the cost. The Board agreed
11	Report from the Legal Working Group and discussion
	The discussion followed the briefing document prepared by the Legal Working Group and the overview prepared by FW after discussion yesterday.
	The purposed of the proposal is to ensure that the ASE is compliant with banking laws and GDPR.
	The proposal was agreed unanimously by the Board
12	Report of the Treasurer
	We are looking at spending more than our income at the moment, but we are selling pins which will improve cashflow
	National organisations pay a nominal fee to ASE each year. Some countries do not have Senate organisations but there are some voluntary contributions from one or two Senators
	Should we reduce the level of the fee? How is the fee calculated? Should the calculation just ben against active members rather than overall numbers? Jurg Porro will put together some figures showing different levels of figures for the 2019/2020 board to consider
13	Presentation of EC 2019 Lyon
	a. 50 th Anniversary of ASE
	Brochure – There will be a jubilee brochure and FC is working on a video version
	 Drinks – there will be drinks with the National Presidents at 7pm (Bumblebee is taking place at 5pm with drinks later) The Senate bar is at the Conference Centre.
	3. Exhibition- There will be a presentation of the Presidents of the Week
	b. Format of the AGM – still discussing the format of the AGM
	c. Senate Lunch – there is not enough space at the Senate lunch and a bigger
	venue will be needed. FW will follow up as will RD
	d. Senate Programme
1.4	The Board meeting closed
14	RD spoke about his plans for next year: To support JCI
	Networking
	Fun social events
	Business projects
	Presentations
	Presentation was made by Senate President of Norway for Senotium
	Presentation to FW by Serge Goldman of a crown
	End of meeting