Minutes of the Annual General Assembly of the Association of Senators in Europe

11th May 2019

University of Lyon



Item	Topic						
1	Call to order by President of JCI Senators in Europe and Chairman of the meeting Friedhelm Wachs # 62758						
	Apologies for absence received from:						
	SG Arrey Obenson Tineke Ditmars Bezemer #47 Peter den Bremer #53915 Jean-Pierre Bliah #20226 Ali Akal #55258 Bjorn Conradi #26536 Gavin MacPherson #16985						
2	a. The Creedb. A minute of silence in memory of Senators who have died						
3	The Chairman made his opening comments and recommended his report, and particularly two projects, ASE President of the week and Little King JCI The Chairman recognised: a. Past Presidents of ASE who were present at the meeting Rudolph GLOE VON ASS Resident 4004 4003						
	BACHELLE	15672	Switzerland	ASE President 1981-1982			
	Jean-Pierre BLIAH	20226	France	ASE President 1983-1984			
	René MOEBEL	23225	France	ASE President 1986-1987			
	Hans ZEPPENFELDT	26366	Germany	ASE President 1987-1988			
	Peter QUIRIN	43182	Germany	ASE President 1993-1994			
	Bjorn CONRADI	26536	Norway	ASE President 1994-1995			
	Gérard CHABERT	50663	France	ASE President 1999-2000			
	Werner UHLMANN	20485	Sweden	ASE President 2001-2002			
	Harald PFAB	50989	Germany	ASE President 2003-2004			

Paal ASCHJEM	22040	Norway	ASE President 2006-2007
Clare ASHTON	31337	British Senate	ASE President 2008-2009
Arja VILANKO	45425	Finland	ASE President 2009-2010
Margaretha ERIKSSON	51135	Sweden	ASE President 2012-2013
Jacques ARNAL	55945	France	ASE President 2013-2014 Secretary of the JCI Senate Joint Board
Ellen OLSEN	61977	Norway	ASE President 2014-2015
Paul HILL	49094	British Senate	ASE President 2015-2016
Asko MANNISTO	48551	Finland	ASE President 2016-2017
Marcus TSCHANN	63832	Austria	ASE President 2017-2018

- b. Secretary to the Joint Board Jacques Arnal 55945
- c. National Senate Presidents and Chairmen
- d. Members from Mediterranean and Eastern Europe

Chairman's report – It was noted that there was a mistake on the report in that Immediate Past President Marcus Tschann had been omitted from the report. The Chairman apologised to Mr Tschann for the error, which had come about by a technical error as only the elected members of the board had been noted in the report.

4 Adoption of the agenda

It was agreed to add an additional point 9a. to include work carried out by the Board on amendments to the constitution. Belgian senators want to see the ASE Board continue with the work on the constitution – want it to evolve even further in the coming years.

Proposed by Sophie Angenot #71522

Seconded by Tom De Coninck #71476 Agreed unanimously

The agenda was then adopted by the meeting with this addition

Adoption of the minutes of the 2018 Annual General Assembly held in Riga, Latvia, June 22nd 2018

Proposed by Harald Pfab #50989 Seconded by Gerard Chabert #50663

Correction to the minutes proposed by Rudolf von Bachelle #15672. The minutes from Riga do not reflect the intervention made by me that the President has to be elected. For the election of Reynold Dumalte there were two candidates in the election Reynold and Serge Granata Goldman. The result of the secret ballot was Reynold Dumalte.

It was agreed that the minutes from Riga should be amended accordingly and that the minutes were approved subject to the inclusion of these comments.

6 Annual Report of the ASE Board 2018-2019

The Chairman presented the report to the meeting as per the written report already circulated. His comments in addition to the report were:

- a. We continue to work on Project 2030, business networking and orphan senators
- b. Little King JCI has now been translated into 125 languages and the projected has been adopted by the Joint Boards.
- c. ASE Senate President of the week we have printed a book about the Presidents of the week which is well worth reading as some very interesting stores about senators across the whole of Europe
- d. Support for JCI ASE is sponsoring the Best New Member Award which will give the winner registration at the World Congress.
- e. Board meetings were held this year in Catalonia and Romania
- f. We have been working hard on the new logo, website and the constitution. My particular thanks go to Charlotte Velling and the legal team for their work on the constitution.
- g. We are celebrating the 50^{th} year of the ASE

7 Report of the Honorary Treasurer

Jurg Porro #67716 presented the financial statements and report
A lot of sponsorship has been received this year, thank you to all the senators who have contributed

Gerard Chabert #50663 questioned whether we should be sponsoring a member to the World Congress as it is expensive

Serge Granata Goldman #63281 raised questions about the expense incurred in maintaining and repairing the ASE President Chain of office. The explanation was that we paid for the workmanship. There was a lot to repair and 15 more plates were added to the chain at a cost of €200 each.

Guy de Veth #67516 sought clarity about sponsor payments – some were made into the Senate bank account, others were payments made directly to suppliers

Sue Miller #50976 asked about the insurance of the chain. The chain is not currently insured as we could not get insurance because we are not a legal entity.

Barry Miller #51886 stated that at ASE Board in Warrington he had offered to arrange for insurance via JCIUK and the offer was not taken up. Peter Browning #49104 stated that had tried to get insurance after Riga last year but unable to insure as the chain was not physically present in the UK. The insurers recommended that the chain should be insured by the President each year.

The Honorary Treasurer recommended his report to the meeting and the report was accepted by the meeting.

8 Feedback of National Senate Presidents

There was a presentation by Mike Von Wehrt #68435, Finland Agreed that we should share more the work that we are doing at National level with local JCI organisations

Peter Quirin #43182 proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and the ASE Board. He proposed a motion to relieve the board of its duties and to indemnify the Board against any claim (clarified by David Grainger #30164) The motion was carried unanimously. 9 Proposal for amendment of the ASE Constitution and move to register the Association of Senators in Europe a. Sophie Angenot #71522 stated that senators in Belgium still thought that there were things that needed to be addressed, for example, GDPR. Would like to see the work continued further and get closer to JCI. Probably needs work for the next 2 to 3 years and we should take time to do this and not rush things. Proposal seconded by by Tom De Coninck #71476 and various senators from Belgium. The motion was carried unanimously. b. General Legal Counsel Charlotte Velling #68920 presented the recommendations of the legal working group, a copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes. She then proposed a motion to accept the amendments to the constitution as per the draft presented to the meeting. The motion was seconded by the Chairman Discussion Francoise Texier #55008 moved to propose an amendment to the motion in that draft Article 9 – that the word "partner" should be replaced by "national organisations and groups". The amendment to the motion was seconded by Barry Miller #51886. Discussion The motion to amend the motion was unanimously agreed by the meeting. The amended motion was then proposed to the meeting by Charlotte Velling #68920 and seconded by Werner Uhlmann #20485 and Gerard Chabert #50663. The motion was carried unanimously with one abstention by Serge Granata Goldman #63281. 10 Presentation and election of the 2019/2020 ASE Board President **Reynold Dumalte** #38826 Deputy-President Aud Schjodt Fredriksen #48767 Honorary Secretary Pelin Narcin-Kadilar #71534 Honorary Treasurer Jurg Porro #67716 **Ambassador Business** Dmitri Afanasiev #74767 Ambassador JCI Relationship Zoe Afanasiev #73062 Ambassador International Affairs Peter Browning #49104 Ambassador Business Tarlok Singh Sidhu #50314 Ambassador Mentoring Laia Urdi #73564 Each candidate had been nominated, proposed and seconded prior to the meeting. There were exactly the same number of candidates as positions on the Board and all the candidates were elected unanimously by acclaim 11 JCI Strategic Plan Filipe Carrera #68039 made a presentation from mentimeter – giving feedback received so far about Senate Project 2030 12 Any other relevant business

	The Chairman recognised Russ Cooper #4638 Ambassador for the USA Senate and Harry Kolodner #34406, previous Ambassador for the USA Senate			
	Presentation about World Congress Tallinn Presentation about European Conference 2021			
	Presentation and thanks to the Chairman by the incoming President Reynold Dumalte			
13	Date and venue of the 2020 Annual General Assembly Dublin, Ireland 27 th to 30 th May 2020			
14	The Chairman closed the meeting			