LRPCE MEETING MINUTES - Zoom

November 27, 2023

19:00 to 21:19 PM CET, the meeting has been recorded.

Participants (voting members in green)

Function	Areas	Name	Presence
LRPCE Chairperson:		PIP Gudrun Björt YNGVADOTTIR	YES
Designated ID EF Bordeaux:		ID Marcel DANIELS	YES
Second Year IDs:		ID Barbara GREWE	YES
		ID Jürg VOGT	YES
		ID Pirkko VIHAVAINEN	YES
Immediate Past International Directors		IPID Mats GRANATH	APOLOGIES
		IPID Teresa DINEEN (also Area 5 representative)	YES
		IPID Dr. Elena APPIANI (also Area 6 representative)	YES
Area Representatives:	Area 1	ID Pirkko VIHAVAINEN	
	Area 2	ID Jürg VOGT	
	Area 3	ID Barbara GREWE	
	Area 4	PID Nicole MIQUEL- BELAUD (also EF 2024 Bordeaux President)	APOLOGIES
	Area 5	IPID Teresa DINEEN ((also EF 2025 Dublin President)	
	Area 6	IPID Dr. Elena APPIANI	
	Area 7	PID George Th PAPAS	ABSENT
	Area 8	PID Kalle ELSTER	YES
Programme Directors	EF Bordeaux	PDG Vanessa HORROD (EF Bordeaux)	YES
	EF Dublin	PDG Ann ELLIS	YES
Past International Presidents:		PIP Giuseppe "Pino" GRIMALDI	ABSENT
		PIP Eberhard J. WIRFS	ABSENT
LEF A & A and LRPCE secr.		PID Miklos HORVATH	YES
LEF Financial Controller		PID Daniel ISENRICH	YES
President EF Bordeaux		see above	
President EF Dublin		see above	
Guests	1st year IDs	ID Halldor KRISTJANNSON	YES
		ID Danyel KUBIN	YES
	Board Appointee	PCC Stewart Sherman- Kahn	YES

Lions Task Force Europe	PID Geoff Leeder - Chair	YES
Rotations Scheme Revision Task Force	PID Sandro CASTELLANA - Chair	YES
Lions Academy Europe Task Force	PDG Niels Schnecker - Chair	YES

No.	Agenda item and Presenter	Summary
1	Welcome (Chairperson Gudrun)	Greetings to everyone, not a very long agenda. Two points are important, the Rotation Scheme, and the Coordinating Lions in Europe that should be sent over to our leaders asap.
2	Introductions (All)	
3	Apologies (EF A&A)	Nicole, Mats sent in apologies.
4	The New Rotation Scheme proposal (PID Sandro)	Sandro gave an overview about the Task Force, the 4 meetings they had, the system they worked out and commented also in live the plan that had been sent over to the members who must have studied it thoroughly.
		Three phases of work:
		Grouping (6 groups)
		Criteria to be used (membership as main criteria 70 %, donations to LCIF over 10 years adjusted by GDP data 15% and activity reporting of clubs last 10 years 15 %) other criteria were also mentioned, like density, growth, etc.
		Assignment of countries into the plan and to the timeline:
		Group 6: we decided to add further criteria: solidarity, and altogether, this group will have 8 ID slots.
		The plan should be revised every 3 years or more frequently if needed.
		Barbara had a totally different meaning of the Groups, according to her, at any point in time, there should be one ID from each group (Teresa also marked her agreement).

After the comments of Sandro Barbara presented the plan according to the 1 group per 1 slot principle.

Yürg commented also to agree on the one Group per one slot principle, but suggested to try to define the Switzerland slots a bit more regularly balanced way (to have maybe 6-7 years between two directors).

After several comments and suggestions to move countries and get them back to places, it was agreed that Barbara, Sandro and Miklos will come together to make adjustments to the proposed plan and submit it to the Task Force for discussion and get a hopefully final plan to be suggested to the LRPCE on the next meeting. After the approval of the plan, it could be proposed to the Member countries end of December or first week of January.

5 Short summary of the Europa Forum Klagenfurt (ID Barbara, EF FC and EF A&A)

It was a great forum, one major problem maybe important for the next forum planning is that we should have had one room more. Rich contents, 8 sessions on GAT, 10 sessions on environment and sustainability, 12 sessions on international cooperation, the work was really great. 13 resolutions on European Council, all voted mostly unanimously. The Young Ambassador and Music Competition were great but we heard voices to say that their venue should be much closer to the forum. The Host Committe worked at more than 200 %, Karl and Hubert did an amazing work.

Total participants: 918 Lions-Leos, 195 accompanying persons from 52 countries. What is exceptional is that we already have the minutes of the main meetings. The resolutions are now formalized, we learned some lessons and we try to avoid them in future.

Daniel: The voluntary contributions were up to 82.500 EUR, Austria requested 32.000 EUR to offset thair liquidity issues, They do not have preliminary financial figures yet.

Teresa requested the new Manual that Miklos will send over to each and everyone.

Elena: short wrap-up of each seminar, it is important to get back to this practice in future. Marcel: Supervisory Committee reviewed the lessons of the Klagenfurt EF, and in fact, we stressed that it is necessary to have a secretary to each meeting and have a meeting summary for follow-up. 6 "Coordinating Lions in Europe" (ID Miklos: GAT initiative last year for then Area 4C, Marcel and EF A&A) now Area E and F, somehow it did not get to the vote, the responsible Board Committee could not discuss it. Different way to proceed now as proposed by our Chairperson, we updated the documents, we would like to send it to the Executive Officers to their January meeting, hopefully to be supported and submitted to the Board. What is to be stressed is that based on some basic principles: to avoid double positions and respect the local language knowledge and personal relations in the undistricted countries of mainly in CEE, we revised the list and candidacies and we respectfully ask GAT to discuss, refine and eventually repropose it. After a heated, long discussion, where Teresa mentioned that the original proposal went to the reponsible Board Committee and has been discussed (we had a completely different information until now), the finality of our discussion was that we hand over the file to the GAT CA4 and hope that GAT can – together with the GAT Area Leaders E and F- further discuss it, enrich it and send it to the Executive Officers/International Bord of Directors, as appropriate. The LRPCE voted upon a common platform, as follows: QUOTE The LRPCE stresses the importance of collaboration between Country Coordinators and GAT and recommends that the CLs should work with GAT and GAT CA4 must have its word to say

in the selection of CLs in Europe in order to

		achieve our membership development goals namely in Mission 1.5. UNQUOTE The proposal has been seconded by ID Barbara and voted upon unanimously by the voting members present.
7	Collaboration within the LRPCE (ID Barbara)	Due to lack of time, reported to the next meeting
8	Impact of Leo-Lions members in CA IV - Board decision regarding voting rights of members with reduced dues. (ID Barbara)	Due to lack of time, reported to the next meeting. ID Barbara has just made some short comments about the importance of this issue that is special in Europe, voting rights, delegate status and such for Leos and/or Leo Lions, potentially a new membership category LEO, our democratic feelings in Europe, etc. As Chairperson Gudrun is a Board Appointee in the Membership Committee, it is important to have some proposed statements before March.
17	AOB (A&A)	No more business on the agenda.
18	Closing and next meeting (Chairperson Gudrun)	The next meeting is set to December 21, 2023 7 PM CET. "We have much to celebrate, we had a great year, it's been a very, very busy year, and we have been very productive. And we have managed so much. We accomplished so much. I have to thank you. I'm really proud to work with such a great group, and we really made it through. And that's the magic of the teamwork. All the great ideas, all the discussions. Thank you so very much for that. Then we see each other again with a glass of wine or whisky, or whatever to celebrate Christmas, on December twenty-first"

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