LRPCE MEETING MINUTES – Zoom

19:00 to 21:39 PM CET , the meeting has been recorded

Participants (voting members in green)

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	PID Miklos HORVATH	
	PID Daniel ISENRICH	APOLOGIES
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The following Agenda has been sent out.

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			(minutes)
1	Welcome	Chairperson PIP	2
		Gudrun	
2	Introductions	All	2
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4	Coordination Committee Ukraine status	PID Svein	15
	report		
5	Europe March Together at the Parade of the	PID Barbara	10
	International Convention. Decision on		
	paraphernalia proposed by PID Barbara.		
6	Interim Report on the Revision of the Europa	PID Daniel	10
	Forum's organisation and contents to be		
	cheaper, more attractive, more seminar -		
	training based.		
7	Guidelines for European International	PID Elisabeth	15
	Directors		
8	Presentation of the training proposals for IDs	PDG Niels	15
	prepared by LAE, discussion and decision.		
9	Presentation of the training proposals for CSR	PDG Niels	15
	prepared by LAE, discussion and decision.		
10	AOB	A&A	2
11	Closing and next meeting	Chairperson PIP	3
		Gudrun	

Report of the meeting:

No.	Agenda item & presenter	Summary
1	Welcome (PIP Gudrun)	Chairperson PIP Gudrun welcomed the
		participants, and opened the meeting.
2	Introductions (All)	No guests to be presented
3	Apologies (A&A)	ID Karl, ID Danyal, PID Daniel, PID Svein, PDG Ann
4	Emergency agenda 1. due to the sudden and sad passing of our dear Friend PID Sandro CASTELLANA (PIP Gudrun)	 PIP Gudrun held a very touching memorial service for Sandro , the following is exerpts of this rememberance. We were missing one of our strongest members, our good friend, Sandro Castellana, we will dedicate this meeting to his memory. As we are here together, not able to attend his funeral, we will say our last farewell to Sandro when we meet here today. We were all shocked and saddened to hear about his passing. When I sent the Condolence Notice to

our group, you reacted and sent back your thoughts and feelings and beautiful comments about Sandro, as a kind person and a strong leader.

I used your beautiful comments about Sandro in the condolence card she sent to Anna the same day, to convey sympathy, on behalf of our committee; some of sounded like: "Sandro was respected for his wisdom, unselfishness and care for human beings. He was an example of what we should believe in and how to behave with gentleness and putting the mission above ourselves.

Anna was very grateful and said, these words would help her to cope with the grief. And she said: It is good for me to know that Sandro is remembered and respected and to see how much Sandro left in other people.

I also sent a similar card on behalf of LRPCE, to his District Governor and to the Council Chair of Italy.

I tried to find a way to go to Padua today to attend the funeral, but it simply did not work. So, I asked Elena to share our message with Anna and the family today at the funeral.

Sandro will certainly be missed and always remembered. He was instrumental in moving our committee forward;

He was dedicated and hardworking, it is a long list of projects and positions - at all levels, for Lions and LCIF, in Europe and all around the world. But most importantly, Sandro was always true to the Lions Code of Ethics:

"To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy".

Sandro was always optimistic and positive, He was open-minded and solution-oriented, tenacious and never gave up.

		 Sandro was a creative and productive leader, diligent and precise in all his work. Sandro created a legacy of dignity and integrity within his sphere of influence. Now, it will be our duty to keep his legacy alive. Our hearts and our prayers are with Anna and the family in this most difficult of times. Please join me in a moment of silence to honor his memory and reflect on the impact he had on us. Let's take 30 seconds in silence. Thank you Let us carry his memory with us as we continue."
5	Emergency agenda 2. due to the sudden and sad passing of our dear Friend PID Sandro CASTELLANA (PIP Gudrun)	 PIP Gudrun clearly pointed out that the agenda sent out will not be followed, some of the items might be urgent, others we can discuss later. A&A Miklos sent today an addition to the agenda, with proposals how we continue the work that Sandro was in charge of and prepared a secret online ballot. We will postpone the voting about PID Alumni Group, as PID Teresa suggested by mail The reason to have put this together and sent it, was to try to make Sandro's dream come true, about the Task Force. It was Sandro's wish to finish "The ID-Guidelines" as soon as possible, and he had worked on it with Miklos, Elisabeth and myself and his team. Many have also sent us comments and ideas and proposals on how we could proceed; and we are all concerned that the good work that Sandro was doing will continue in the same fashion. Sandro was a doer; he could think and act fast. He was a person who acted rather than only talking.

Miklos, Marcel and Niels shared their thoughts about Sandro and his work.
Barbara expressed that we should not touch any professional issue on the day of Sandro's funeral, however she stated that she does not agree to propose a Task Force Chair who did not take part in the Task Force's activities.
Gudrun and Niels confirmed that PID Elisabeth partcipated in the activities of the Task Force in the background, was the founder of the LAE initiative as well as the first Chairperson of the Lions Task Force Europe (now PID Alumni Group), thus she is more than qualified to chair the Task Force if elected.
Miklos stated that moreover, we need an experienced PID to chair the Task Force, as there is only one PID and one Past Borad Appointee , as members and Elisabeth is the candidate par excellence.
Barbara raised the issue of the voting, she asked how it is possible to vote online on personal matters when until now, we always had to vote in person, by secret ballot for persons.
Miklos shared his conviction that what is important is the anonimity, not the personal presence or online voting and the presently used Voting Application promisses secret ballot online. Niels also cionfirmed that the Application is used in several MDs and SDs for online voting (secret ballot) with success.
Elena also shared with the participants that what is important is to go on and not the voting.
Gudrun reiterated that it is very important to issue the European ID Guidelines and to transform the Task Force to represent the 6 Euro-Groups, Sandro would have suggested also to act this way. One more reason to have the Task Force up and running is that the March Board meeting or the one in Orlando will certainly redesign the Board - reduce

		the numbers, discontinuing committees, etc. probably substantially reducing the ID numbers from Europe – and we have to be prepared to redesign the whole Rotation Plan in consequence.
		Niels stressed the urgency of the European ID Guidelines that has to be approved and sent out to MDs and SDs latest by March 31,otherwise it will be too late to think about candidates in the light of what LRPCE proposes.
		Gudrun and Elena stated that tre Working Group of Peace is also important to be approved, as it should be presented in several MD conventions and also the Mediterranean Conference.E!lena will submit the proposal by mail.
		Barbara has doubts in this respect, she does not see the representatives of the MDs and SDs on the Working Group, although this would be essential.
		Coming back to the Task Force composition, Elena said that – although she has a great respect for him - there are more suitable candidates from Italy than PDG Mario CASTELLANETTA, as he has not really legal, RoP based experiences.
		Miklos noted that this kind of experience and knowledge is not really very important, what is essential is that the members have an overall view of the challenges we have to face and knowing what their Euro-Group thinks on general Lionistic matters.
13	AOB (A&A)	No other business was proposed.
14	Closing and next meeting (Chairperson Gudrun)	Chairperson Gudrun thanked the participants and stressed that we have to keep the legacy of Sandro. The next meetings will take place on March 12 and April 9, 2025 at 7 PM on Zoom., The meeting was adjourned at 20:39.