



Endorsed Minutes of the one-hundredth meeting of the Governing Board held on 9 November 2023 by teleconference.

Present:

Members: Vicki McDonald (President, Chair); Leslie Weir (President-elect); Jaap Naber (Treasurer) (joined at 13:10, item 1.5); Dilara Begum; Kirsten Boelt; Loida Garcia-Febo; Stuart Hamilton; Te Paea Paringatai; Alejandro Lorenzo César Santa; Silvia Stasselova (joined at 13:16, item 2.1).

Staff: Sharon Memis, Secretary General; Stephen Wyber, Director Policy & Advocacy, Renu Sardjoe, Finance Director; Marie-Emmanuelle Marande, Conference Manager (joined for item 5-WLIC); Esther Doria, Project Coordination Assistant (Minutes).

Guest: María Florencia Tebano (Interpreter).

1. General Business

1.1. Welcome and apologies

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Nthabiseng Kotsokoane and Helen Mandl.

1.2. Adoption of the agenda

It was noted that under item 5.3, discussing and approving the Terms of Reference for the Code of Conduct for Volunteers will be submitted to the December 2023 meeting.

The agenda was adopted.

Resolution: The Governing Board adopted the agenda.

1.3. Statement of interests

There was a statement of interest from Stuart Hamilton in relation to item 2.3.

1.4. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

1.4.1. Draft minutes with discussions of the Governing Board meeting on 5 October 2023

Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with discussions as a true and accurate record of the ninety-ninth meeting of the Governing Board held on 5 October 2023.

1.4.2 Draft minutes with decisions of the Governing Board meeting on 5 October 2023

Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with decisions as a true and accurate record of the ninety-ninth meeting of the Governing Board held on 5 October 2023.

1.5. Review Actions list

The Secretary General highlighted some of the outstanding items on the action list.

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the Actions list review.

1.6. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

There were no matters arising.

2. Governance

2.1 Secretary General Update & annexes

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the Secretary General's Update.

2.2 High-level draft plans for SIGL funding in 2024

It was noted that full details of the proposed plans and budget for SIGL funded activities in 2024 will be presented to the Governing Board for approval.

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

2.3 Open Scholarship and Science Advisory Committee

The Governing Board unanimously agreed to appoint the following chair and members:

Fiona Bradley (Australia) (Chair)
Ava Irani (Netherlands)
Hoi Yan Wendy Wong (Hong Kong, China)
Katarina Wiberg (Sweden)
Susan Reilly (Ireland)
Talia Chung (Canada)
Ellen Tise (South Africa)
Reggie Raju (South Africa)
Bianca Amaro (Brazil)
Megan Wacha (United States)

Resolution: The Governing Board unanimously agreed to appoint the chair and members as recommended.

3. Management

3.1 Covered in Secretary General update 2.1

4. Finance & Risk

4.1 Q3 Management accounts

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

5. WLIC

5.1 2024 – Alternatives and options

The Governing Board discussed the possibility of a President's Meeting in 2024. This is an established concept set up by a former president, Claudia Lux. The last one was due to take place in 2020 but was cancelled because of COVID.

It was agreed that the General Assembly should be a hybrid event, de-linking this from the President's Meeting, possibly taking place in June.

Resolution: The Governing Board:

1. Reviewed and commented on 2024 events that can be harnessed for membership engagement – including the General Assembly.
2. Reviewed the President's event proposal, suggested improvements, and approved action to assess its feasibility.
3. Commented on the proposals for IFLA Committees and approved the establishment of a sub-committee to produce guidelines.

5.2 WLIC 2025 revised selection criteria and EOI for WLIC 2025

The Governing Board discussed and agreed on the updated selection criteria for WLIC 2025, including affirmation of IFLA's authority over programming and welcoming opportunities to underline how bids will support IFLA's values. A new global call for 2025 hosts will be issued as soon as possible.

Resolution: The Governing Board unanimously:

- approved the changes to the criteria and documentation for Call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for WLIC 2025.
- approved to re-issue the Call for EOI for WLIC 2025 with bids open to the world.
- approved the selection process timeline for WLIC 2025.

5.3 WLIC review update and draft TORs

The current IFLA WLIC Working Group (IWWG) members Leslie Weir, Loida Garcia-Febo and Stuart Hamilton will continue working with Marie-Emmanuelle Marande and Helen Mandl and will meet to finalise the scope for the review.

There are different sub-themes that might require working groups, such as content & programme, sponsors, purpose and finance. The Treasurer agreed to oversee the finance sub-group.

The review is expected to take 9-12 months, and the IWWG will undertake wide consultation with members, including the use of pulse surveys and will bring people together virtually or in-person, to validate options.

Resolution: The Governing Board:

1. provided guidance on the three remaining members of the IWWG and will share further ideas on Basecamp.
2. will discuss and approve the draft Terms of Reference for the IFLA WLIC Working Group in the December meeting.

6. Planning and Reporting

Covered elsewhere on agenda.

7. Other issues

7.1 Any other business

The President thanked the Governing Board members, the Secretary General and the IFLA HQ team for their work done in preparation for this meeting.

In camera: Executive Session

At 14:40, an in-camera session of the Governing Board followed.

Next Governing Board meeting dates

4-6 December 2023 – The Hague, Netherlands