

## Minutes of the WISTA International Executive Committee (ExCo) Meeting

Date/Time: Monday, June 11, 2018 at 11:00 UTC

Location: A virtual meeting was held with ExCo members attending via an on-line platform

### Present:

Despina Panayiotou Theodosiou	President	DPT
Diane Edwards	Secretary	DE
Rachel Lawton	Treasurer	RL
Katerina Stathopoulou	Member	KS
Jeanne Grasso	Member	JG
Sanjam Gupta	Member	SG
Naa Densua Aryeetey	Member	NA

### Apologies:

None – all present

**Welcome** DPT welcomed all to the meeting.

**Minutes** Minutes of the meeting held 9 May 2018 were tabled, but not all had read so full acceptance was deferred.

#### Matters Arising:

- DE confirmed Communications and Support Officer is to upload the minutes to the website monthly. The only minutes that will be sent to the Presidents and Contact Persons by email will be from the AGM, RTD, ExCo Mid-Term meeting.
- DE confirmed AGM, Rotterdam and President's Round Table Discussion Minutes had been circulated.

**Financial Report**

- There is approximately 171,000 euros in bank. All Singapore expenses for ExCo paid except one which should go through this week.
- Hong Kong delays discussed and their ongoing issues with the bank. RL is in touch with their president. Considered still in good standing
- Peru confirmed paid and Panama invoiced.

### Projects

- GPDR

Lena Gothberg, JG, and RL will meet this week. RL has a draft policy to provide starting point. RL to attend a seminar on GPDR.

- IMO

JG spent time at IMO and went through list of 40 IMO Council members, which has been circulated to ExCo. DPT has talked to country delegates on the list while at the IMO last month and will also meet some of the country delegates later this week at the IMO Parallel event in Poland. DPT and JG to follow up with several countries, including Panama, and JG will draft a document setting forth how WISTA can add value to IMO. All is going well thus far, but there is more work to do to garner support for consultative status.

- WMU

Proposal to host a WISTA headquarters at WMU deferred for ExCo meeting in Norway.

- FONASBA

DPT has approached and said we are comfortable with acting as advisors on diversity issues and they will take this back to their committee for discussion in July.

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**Platform for Change**

DPT attended the last European Commission's Platform for Change meeting in Brussels which was well attended. The EC will hold a one-year celebration conference and would be good if some ExCo can attend to represent WISTA. The Diversity Committee subgroup working on proposing actions to the Platform has recommended that we wait until the other subgroups have completed their work. ExCo will see any proposals to the Platform before they are tabled.

**Website**

DPT confirmed that questions that arose during the assessment of Website RFP had been satisfactorily answered by Logon Media and the ExCo awarded the contract to them.

- More review needed about the WISTA App before any final decisions are made as to viability.
  - DPT, Lena Gothberg, Jillian Tobias, and DE to work together to refine scope and answer questions that arise.
  - The website is scheduled to be ready for the AGM in Tromso.
  - The website is to be designed so that additional functionality may be added later.
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**Travel Policy**

- The travel policy was approved in concept, but JG to revise/clean up and circulate for final review.

**Trademark**

JG has received a draft document on trademarks, which will be a basis for discussion at AGM in Tromsø.

**NWA updates**

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**Americas**

- Peru and Uruguay paid.
- Panama formed and invoiced.
- Chile and Venezuela close.

**Europe**

KS met with Carla Olival from Portugal. WISTA Portugal is ready to be incorporated and will be finalised within June 2018. WISTA Portugal will launch in September during the Portugal Shipping Week, as the Minister of Transport wants to announce the launching of WISTA Portugal at that time. The Minister is one of the Honorary members of WISTA Portugal.

**Middle East/Asia/Oceania**

- Sri Lanka has AGM of 13 July – SG attending.
- Maldives has expressed interest.
- UAE have been informed that they are no longer in good standing.

**Africa**

- No updates.

**Sub-Co**

**Committees**

**Diversity Committee**

- Has split into five working groups, each with own objectives.
- Will be regrouping on 27 June to assess progress.

**HR and Statistics Committee**

- DPT has contacted the Maritime HR Association about doing an industry wide survey, which will be managed by the HR and Statistics Committee.
- Committee preparing for next round of scholarships, though results are not yet in for the prior students. Request for Nominations has just gone out to all NWAs.
- DE is making minor changes to survey – questions will not change but may add a couple of industry and job options and

more explanation about how to answer questions based on feedback from last year. Next survey to go out first week in August giving time for results to be reported back in Tromø.

**Action:**

DE to send Member survey (2017) presented in Rotterdam to DPT.

**Committee  
Updates**

**Technology Survey**

Terms of Reference for the Technology and Futures Group has been sent out with request for nominations.

**Close**

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There being no other business raised, the meeting closed at 12.35 UTC

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