SAR Executive Board Meeting #10

MINUTES

Date & Time:   Feb 14 + 15, 2017:

Feb 14: 10am – 5pm
Feb 15: 10am – 2pm

Excused:
- Leena Rouhiainen
- GaS (Feb 14, 10am-1.30pm)
- HB for the second day

Location:   Academy of Creative and Performing Arts Leiden
            Rapenburg 38
            2311 EX Leiden
            The Netherlands

Next meeting (SAR Conference + GA):
Place: University of the Arts Helsinki
Date: April 27-30, 2017
1. **Welcome and Approval of Agenda**
   Approved after adding one new item (#8, Multiple portals and payment).

2. **Endorsement of last minutes**
   Endorsed.

3. **Information**
   Norway: Bergen has merged with the University of Bergen.

4. **Action Plan**
   Checked and updated.

5. **Finances**

   **2016: Annual Statement**
   The finances for 2016 are balanced, with a small surplus of approx. 3’000 Euro. The Annual Accounts were endorsed. A detailed annual statement will be presented at the GA 2017 in a similar format as last year.

   **2017: Budget**
   The proposed draft budget is balanced, but there are some expectations on the income side. The proposed budget was endorsed. Detailed information will be presented at the GA 2017.

6. **Members**

   a. **Institutional Members**
      **Status report**
      From Nov 2016 till Jan 2017 seven new institutions have become members.

      **Overview contact new members**
      A series of institutions have been contacted.

   b. **Individual Members**
      **Status report**
      There are 165 members of which 100 have paid their fee in 2016.

   c. **Back office**
      **Invoicing**
      After the transfer of the Back Office from Zurich to Amsterdam the normal procedures now are working.

7. **JAR**

   **Feedback #12**
   The editor-in-chief will be invited to the last ExB meeting in 2017, to discuss all issues of 2017.

   **Appointment Editor-in-chief**
   The Ex. Board reappointed Michael Schwab as Editor-in-Chief for a period of three years, commencing 01.03.2017. During the coming year the ExB will have a strategic discussion on different mechanisms for how this post could be filled in the future.
Michael Schwab:
The financing of the editor-in-chief position in 2017 can be guaranteed.

Special Issue
The question of “Special Issues” has started to be discussed but needs more detailed information and considerations. For the moment special issues could be possible as one of the three annual issues.

8. Portal Partners

Payment for Partners with Multiple Portals.
The Portal Partner fee is 5’000 Euro at least, but if it is used by several faculties of the same institution each of them should pay this fee.

Status RC General Development / Overhaul / Roadmap / Help Desk
After the finishing of the overhaul, the new RC will be launched in the working system at the same time as when the Application Module will be implemented (April 2017). A roadmap for 2017 has been designed, with support from NARP.

Application Module
The launching of the test module has taken place, nine different institutions were present. There will be three test groups to test the module in detail. The module should be finalized in the middle of May 2017.

Spring PP-Meeting (Vienna)
The date has not been set so far.

Polifonia / AEC
There is a positive Feedback by G. Schulz: A next steps will be discussed soon.

9. GA Assembly

Delivery #1: Formal Invitation
The formal invitation was sent out to all members (including the information on the procedure for nominations to the ExB).

Decision about ExB members: prolongation for next period
The president made his decision: AD, JAH, LR, GiaS will be prolonged.

Delivery #2: Documents + mailing
The documents for the mailing for the GA have been listed and the responsibilities fixed.

Appointment of the Election Committee
The members of Election Committee were appointed: Johan A. Haarberg, Gerhard Eckel and Emma Cocker (to be asked).

10. Conferences

SAR Conference 2017
The programme is online, there were 200 applications, and 41 have been selected. There will be 5 keynote speakers (balanced), 7 parallel groups, and a limit of 200 participants.

SAR Conference 2018
The SAR Conference 2018 will take place in Plymouth. A joint understanding of responsibilities and the sharing of the costs will have to be fixed before a definite announcement.
SAR Conference 2019: Call or invitation
There will be an invitation for organizing the SAR Conference 2019 in 2017. Open call for this event will not be operated at this stage.

11. Further SAR activities and Events

Nordic Pavilion, Biennial Venice 2017 / SAR Academy
Because the Nordic Pavilion is not part of the official programme as planned, SAR Academy will be launched in autumn 2017 in a different place. SAR will participate in the Research Activities of the Pavilion within the fixed time slot (June 5-7, 2017), presenting running SAR activities.

Berlin Event, Oct 24-29, 2019
SAR as an organisation will not be present there, but individual members may take part. GaS will look after SAR interests during the event.

Funding Agencies Seminar
In Sept 2016, there will be a seminar with a number of European Funding Agencies to evaluate and discuss criteria and problematics related to Artistic Research funding.

Annual Prize for Best RC Exposition
The (new) Annual Prize for Best RC Exposition will be launched at the GA 2017. The call for nominations should be done in early autumn. The Exposition has to be in English and published during 2016 on any of the portal platforms within the RC. The jury should consist of one member of Ex. Board, one member of the Ed. Board, one representative from the Portal Partners, one representative from the remaining Institutional Members and one Individual Member.

12. Partnerships + Networks

EU funding application
The application is on its way to be written.

ELIA Funding application
No news.

ELIA: Working Group AR
The ELIA Working Group will continue to work, with the same group members. It is preparing an EU funding application about “Supervision” in the framework of the ERASMUS+ programme.

13. Documentation and Communication

Social Media
They are running and working well.

New Basecamp solution?
It will be evaluated.

14. Newsletter

Feedback Newsletter Jan 2017
There is a feedback from members: they appreciate to get informed by the Newsletter.

Next Newsletter
The next newsletters will be published in April (before the GA) and in September 2017.
15. Announcement Services and Correspondents

**Status report**
The announcements services will start in April 2017. The costs for SAR members are 50 Euros, for non-SAR members: 100 Euros.

**List of correspondents**
Postponed, not discussed.

16. Any other Business

17. Meeting after next
Preliminary Date for the new Board in June 2017:
Place: Venice
Date: June 5, 4-7PM + June 6 and 7; slots of 3 hours per day. Exact timeslots TBD.

Endorsed 30.04.17.

Henk Borgdorff
President

Giaco Schiesser
Vice President