SAR Executive Board Meeting # 20-01

MINUTES

Date & Time: 13.02.20 – 10:00-18.30
14.02.20 – 10:00-17:00

Location: Hochschulübergreifendes Zentrum Tanz
Uferstr. 8/23 - Badstr. 41a – 13357 Berlin

Present: Deniz Peters, Geir Strøm, Giaco Schiesser, Ang Bartram, Alexander
Damianisch, Gabriele Schmid and
Johan A Haarberg

Excused: Leena Rouhiainen did not find time to participate

Next meeting:
Location: Berlin – Venue and Time to be confirmed
Time: 04.06.20 – 10:00-18.00 / 05.06.20 – 10:00-17:00
1. **Welcome and Approval of Agenda**  
The agenda was agreed, without any adjustments.

2. **Endorsed Minutes Last Meeting**  
   - Meeting # 19-05  
The minutes from this meeting had been distributed before, no comments have been received and the minutes are by that endorsed.

3. **Information**  
There was a joint exchange of information and updates on issues regarding artistic research and organisational matters from all present.

4. **Action Plan**  
   - Updates  
   - Delivery  
The Action Plan was checked for deliveries and updated.

5. **Finances**  
   - Draft Working Budget 2020  
The Treasurer and Ex.O presented the preliminary annual financial report 2019 and the draft working budget 2020.  
The Ex.Board took the report into account and endorsed the draft working budget for this year.

6. **Members**  
   a. **Institutional Members**  
      - Status report  
      - Recruiting Activities Ex.B Members  
      - Recruiting Activities Ex.O  
The new institutional memberships of University of Stavanger, Norway has been established during the recent months.  
The recruiting activities will continue by both the Ex.O and members of the Ex.B.

   b. **Individual Members**  
      - Status report  
There is less recruitment of individual members so far this year, compared to 2019.  
Even so, there were a high number of people that requested membership in 2019, without paying their membership fee for the same year.  

      - Plans for Community Building  
No new initiatives was brought forward here.
7. **General Assembly 28.03.20**
   - Call GA and Ex.B Nominations
   - Annual Report 2019/20 – Distribution of Tasks
   - GA – Distribution of Tasks
     The call for the GA and for Ex.B nominations has been distributed according to our regulations. The distribution of tasks in relation to the annual report and the GA was discussed and agreed.
   - Election Committee – Status Report
     Giaco Schiesser reported, as chair of the Election Committee, on the current status of their work.
   - **Annual Prize for Best RC Exposition 2019**
     - Status Report New Jury Members
     The deadline for submissions has now passed. The members of the jury are confirmed, and there will be a solution with substitute members to avoid biased decisions.

8. **JAR**
   - Bi-Annual Meeting with Editor in Chief
     Annual Report
     The Ex.B conferred with the Editor in Chief based on his annual report, and confirmed the aim of publishing three issues per year within the existing budget frame.
   - Appointment of Editor in Chief
     The Ex.B appointed Michael Schwab for the task as JAR Editor in Chief for a period of three years commencing 01.03.2020.
   - Endorsement of Editorial Board Members
     The Ex.B endorsed to following current members of the JAR Editorial Board for a period of two years: Annette Arlander (first designated 01/06/10); Barnaby Drabble (01/06/10); Julian Klein (01/06/10); Yara Guasque (01/03/16); Mareli Stolp (12/02/16); Lucia d’Errico (18/04/18); Azadeh Fatehrad (03/04/18).
     The Ex.B endorsed to following new members Paul Landon; Danny Butt; Christine Reeh-Peters. All endorsement are for the period 01.03.20-28.02.22.
   - Thanks to Mika Elo
     The Ex.Board decided to express their deep gratitude for the many years and all the work Mika Elo has dedicated as JAR Editorial Board Member from 2010 to the end of 2019.

9. **Funding Agency Seminar – Nov 2019/Autumn 2020**
   - Summary Seminar Stockholm – 20/11-21/11 2019
     - Agenda and Participation List
     - Participation/Invitations
   - Next Seminar – Preliminary Plans
     The outcome of the Stockholm seminar was very constructive, and the report from this seminar will soon be available. There may be several options for organizing the next seminar this autumn.

10. **RC + Portal Partners**
    - RC Development Status
    - Call for Consortium on further RC Development
      The creating of a consortium for the RC Development Module has worked well, and six portal partners have agreed to fund the first steps of these developments. The partners that have decided to back this joint funding operation are Faculty of Fine Art, Music and Design, University of Bergen, Norwegian Artistic Research Programme, Rhythmic Music Conservatory in Copenhagen, SKH - Stockholm University of the Arts, Uniarts Helsinki and University of the Arts The Hague. The Executive Board highly appreciates the support for this joint effort! The work on the first parts of these developments are already in progress, and the work will move forward in line with the available funding.
• Draft New RC Intro Text
   Plans for New Web Site Layout
As part of these developments, a partial redesign of the RC front page will be implemented and there is current work on a new intro text for the rationale of the RC platform.

• Summing Up Portal Partners Meeting Vienna 15/01/20 – 16/01/20
The Vienna Portal Partner Meeting went well and a summary of the event was presented based on the agenda for the meeting.

• Endorsed Portal Partner Fee Policy
A revised version of the new Portal Partner Fee Policy was presented and endorsed based on the decision made in the previous meeting of the Ex.B.

11. SAR Conferences
• SAR Conference 2020
   - Status Report
   - Preliminary Program
The SAR members of the Conference Committee and the Programming Committee reported on status and progress.

• SAR Conference 2021
   - Status Report
The SAR members of the Conference Committee reported on status and progress.

• SAR Conference 2022
   - Status Report
   - Revised Draft Agreement – Attachment # 11-2
A meeting in Weimar is planned for early March to discuss the option for hosting the conference in 2022, based on a revised draft agreement.
The Ex.B would like to see the commitment for this confirmed before our June meeting.

12. Documentation and Communication
• Status Website Updates and Content
There is a need for a renewed update of the SAR website content.

13. Further SAR Activities and Events
• SAR Academy – Special Interest Group
   - Received SIG Proposals
There has been no new requests of SIG endorsements.
A message regarding the option for a SARA announcement should be sent to contact persons for the endorsed SIGs

• Correspondents – Status
As there has been no new developments on this issue during more than a year, the Ex.B decided to cancel this initiative.
14. Partnerships + Networks
- European Networks for Joint Position Paper on Artistic Research
  There was a report on the progress of this initiative and a draft version of the paper was distributed.

- Conference Reports (Nice, Paris and Johannesburg)
  Respective SAR participants gave verbal reports from these three conferences.

- Information on the Erasmus Supervisor Project
  The actual status was reported.

- ELIA-SAR – Reciprocal Associate Membership
  The Ex.B endorsed the initiative to establish reciprocal associate memberships between ELIA and SAR.

15. Announcement Services
- SARA Status Report
  By the end of the year, the SARA service had been used for 56 occasions, including 10 non-member announcements.

16. Newsletter
- Next Newsletter – Updates / Date of Publication
  Plans for the next newsletter will be discussed in our next meeting.

17. Next Meetings
- Bergen 28.03.20 – 14:00-16:00
  Grieg Academy – Room 110
  Lars Hilles gate 3, Bergen

- 04.06.20 – 10:00-18.00 / 05.06.20 – 10:00-17:00
  Berlin – Time and Venue to be confirmed

These decisions were made before the Corona virus embargo was implemented across Europe.

18. Any other Business
- There were no issues under this agenda point

The Ex.B also dedicated most of the second day for discussing future challenges for the organisation, and this will be taken further in a similar strategy session in later meetings.

Endorsed 28.03.20.

Deniz Peters
President

Giaco Schiesser
Secretary