SAR Executive Board Meeting # 20-02

Special Introductionary Meeting

MINUTES

Date & Time: 29.04.20 – 10:00-18.00
Location: Online by Zoom – With breaks approx. every 50 min.

Present:
Deniz Peters, Geir Strøm, Jaana Erkkila-Hill, Ang Bartram, Michaela Glanz, Chrysa Parkinson, Gabriele Schmid and Johan A Haarberg
Giaco Schiesser also attended the whole meeting for transfer of knowledge and experience.
Alexander Damianisch attended in similar ways during some parts.

Next meeting:
Location: Zoom online
Time: 05.06.20 – 10:00-18:00 / 06.06.20 – 10:00-13:00
1. **Welcome and Introductions**  
   There were individual presentations of all, including leaving board members.

2. **Approval of Agenda and Meeting Procedures**  
   The agenda and meeting procedures were agreed, without any adjustments.

3. **Endorsed Minutes Last Meeting/Minutes Procedure etc.**  
   - Meeting # 20.01  
     The minutes from this meeting had been distributed before, no comments have been received and the minutes are by that endorsed.
   - Minutes and Notes production and endorsement procedures  
   - Action Plan System  
     The procedures for creating and endorsing minutes, as well as the creations of notes and the action plan was presented.

4. **Executive Board Roles – Responsibilities and Distribution**  
   A short Introduction to the different responsibilities that has to be distributed within in Ex.B was presented – To be followed up in the regular meeting planned for 05 June 20.

5. **Financial Overview**  
   - Working Budget 2020  
     The endorsed budget 2020 and status of income and costs by 23.04.20 were presented. Some initial considerations regarding external funding was discussed. The Treasurer together with Ex.O will consider if a revised budget should be developed.

6. **Membership Overview**  
   **A. Institutional Members**  
   - Status  
   - Recruiting Activities/Potential  
     A status report of institutional membership was distributed, with a total of 58 registered
   **B. Individual Members**  
   - Status report  
   - Ideas for Recruitment/Community Building  
     At this stage we have approx. 60 individual members who have paid for this year. The Ex.B discussed if some specific actions can be taken towards non-institutional affiliated individual members.

7. **General Assembly 2020**  
   - GA Distributed Documents  
     The documents regarding the cancelled GA for this year, were briefly commented. The annual report and the financial report must be endorsed by the 2021 GA.
   - Election Procedures/Outcomes/Feed Back – Status Report  
     Some recommendations from the Election Committee regarding preparations for the next elections were presented by the Election Committee Chair
   - Annual Prize for Best RC Exposition 2019  
     The Annual Prize should be announced as a special SARA announcement and also displayed on the SAR website.
8. **JAR**
   - Roles and Responsibilities Ex.Board<>Editorial Board
   - Publishing Regularity
   The division of roles and responsibilities between the JAR Editorial Editor and Editorial Board versus the Ex.B was introduced and commented, as well as the balance between annual costs in relation to the clear aim of three issues published per year.

9. **RC + Portal Partners**
   - RC Development Status
     New Web Site Layout
     The RC administration structure was introduced, resent developments commented and the plan for the revised lay-out of the RC front pages presented.
     KTH has agreed to continue to host the RC platform also for the next seven years.
   - Consortium on further RC Development
     Updated status and progress report of the work on the RC Development Modules were presented.
   - Next Portal Partners Meeting Zoom Online
     The next PPM will be arranged on-line as a one-day event in June, dates to be confirmed.
   - Endorsed Portal Partner Fee Policy
     The new fee policy for SAR portal partnership was presented.

10. **SAR Conferences**
    - SAR Conference 2020
      - Status Report
      - Further Actions
      The Ex. B discussed possible options on how the submitted material for the conference could be the backbone for a permanent documentation of the conference aims.
    - SAR Conference 2021
      - Signed Agreements
      - Status Report
      - Alternative Options
      During the coming week the Conference Committee will discuss which actions should be taken for the planning in regard to the challenges imposed due to of the uncertain status for the spreading of the Corona virus.
    - SAR Conference 2022
      - Status Report
      - Revised Draft Agreement
      Given that conclusions can be achieved on the draft agreement for the 2022 conference during the coming weeks, the Ex.B should appoint the SAR additional members of the Conference Committee during the June meeting.

11. **Funding Agency Seminars – Overview**
    - Summary Seminar Sweden – 20/11-21/11 2019
    - Next Seminar – Preliminary Plans
    The agenda and participation list were distributed and a summary of these events were presented. There are consultations with the UK agency representative regarding options for the next seminar, which may be moved to spring 2021.
12. Documentation and Communication
- Status Website Updates and Content
- Social Media
- Annual Adjustments Wikipedia Entry
There was a short initial discussion on how these communication channels should be handled. The hosting of the SAR web-site is now taken care of by the University of Applied Arts, Vienna.

13. Further SAR Activities and Events
- SAR Academy – Special Interest Group
  At this stage three SIGs have been endorsed by the Ex.B.
  A new call should be posted as a SARA announcement.

14. Partnerships + Networks
- European Networks for Joint Position Paper on Artistic Research
- Policy on Partnership ELIA and others
- Information on the Erasmus Supervisor Project
  Short introductions were given on these subjects, to be further handled in coming meetings.

15. SARA Announcement Services
A SARA Status Report for 2020 was distributed. At this stage, he virus situation seems to have reduced the demand for these announcements and a reminder message to our instructional members should be issued.

16. Newsletter
The next SAR Newsletter should be sent after the Ex.B meeting in June, and details of content and publication date clarified during that meeting.

17. Next Meetings
- 05.06.20 – 10:00-18:00 / 06.06.20 – 10:00-13:00
  Zoom On-line
- 01.10.20 – 10:00-18:00 / 02.10.20 – 10:00-16:00
  Vienna - Venue to be confirmed

18. Any other Business
The President expressed his deep gratitude to all the efforts Giaco Schiesser has invested in the organisation of the last seven years, and for his generosity in sharing his insights and experiences with the new board during this meeting.

Bergen, 29.04.20/08.05.20 – Jaana/Johan

Endorsed 20.05.20.

Deniz Peters (sign.)  Jaana Erkkila-Hill (sign.)
President               Secretary