

Feasta Trustees' Meeting by skype, Nov 13th, 2017

Present: Graham Barnes, Anne Ryan, Mike Sandler, John Sharry, Seán Conlan, Michele Brady

Apologies: Willi Kiefel , Mark Garavan

Notes: Anne Ryan

The meeting approved the notes from the Oct 2017 meeting.

The meeting thanked Morag for her update. On foot of her queries, the following decisions were made:

John Sharry will ask the IEN for guidance on how we might place our savings account with a more ethical bank than Rabo.

Seán will ensure that the report from Oscar Kjellberg et al is received for filing and probably also published in some form on the Feasta website

The meeting asked Morag to proceed with preparing a draft budget for 2018 and to send it to the trustees by Dec 4th, for consideration at the Dec meeting.

Anne will write to Caroline outlining the project of finding a new trustee with experience of public engagement. She will seek Caroline's views on how that would affect her work and how she might like to be supported by and work with such a trustee. Seán will be copied into the email.

The meeting agreed that the trustees should begin to share the work which has for the last 5 or more years been done largely by one person in the chairperson's role. Anne will draft a list of the tasks involved, as a start to this process.

Graham agreed to brief the Feasta delegates Theresa and Sadhbh before they attend the IEN meeting on Nov 18th.

Graham withdrew his request for a Feasta 'investment' in Faircoin

Mark sent a report saying that Afri will be happy to collaborate with Feasta for an event to coincide with the Afri Famine walk in May 2018. Anne will open a channel on Feasta Connections Slack to discuss possibilities and generate ideas.

Anne will ask Morag to re-circulate the reminder to members about drafting material for the 2017 Annual Report, along with the link to the google doc.

The meeting thanked Caroline for her work on the recent Feasta submission to national development plan

Seán provided a brief update on the National Wellbeing Index, which is a work in progress. Discussion has taken place with NESI and there will be a liaison with the CSO also.

The group working on the governance code will provide an update to the December meeting.

The next meeting of the trustees will take place on Monday Dec 11th at 1pm Irish time, by skype.