

## FEASTA Trustee Meeting

**Held:** via Microsoft Teams **Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020 13:00  
**Present:** Mark Garavan (Chair), Michele Brady (minute taker), Willi Kiefel, Brent Ranalli, Mike Sandler, John Sharry  
**Apologies:** Graham Barnes,  
**Attending:** Morag Friel, Caroline Whyte, Alison McIntyre

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### AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising
3. Financial and Membership Review
4. Communication and Activity Review
5. North America Update
6. Intern policy
7. AOB.

1. **Apologies noted.**

2. **Minutes of last meeting**

Matters arising :

- Intern Policy – initial policy to be drafted by Mark

Minutes

**Proposed:** Willi Kiefel

**Seconded:** Michele Brady

3. **Chair for this year**

John Sharry to be Chair for this year and Mike Sandler to be Chair for next year

Mark to Chair this meeting.

**Proposed:** Mark Garavan

**Seconded:** Michele Brady

4. **Finance & membership report**

Morag presented the financial report for the month. Report was discussed in detail.

Membership payments noted. IEN funding for Zoom.

5. **Communications Report**

Caroline presented the report for the last month and also an interim report on the funding report.

Noted the results of the IEN funding. It was less than last year and we have slipped down their results list. Assessors: there is a rotation of the assessors each year and this may have had an impact. The process is transparent. The extent of funding for 2021 was discussed and it was agreed to budget €12,500 based on the reduction to this year's funding.

Website hosting options were discussed and reviewed. It was agreed to use the hosting service of SiteGround subject to a review of the implications of GoogleCloud.

6. **North American Report**

Brent presented the report.

"Feasta USA" – under discussion

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USA insurance – umbrella insurance which would cover a non-profit organisation but is state specific (i.e. Washington, Michigan, etc)

Exploring participation on other organisations podcasts.

Relief expressed about the outcome of the recent presidential election and that the President Elect is Joe Biden.

### 7. Trustee Meetings

Proposed that meetings are held at 16:00 GMT on a trial basis.

### 8. Proposal for Feasta focus

Willi proposed that some topics that should garner greater attention and/or research from us, for example:

- Democracy / governance systems – participatory systems
- Education to support employment

We need to look at a new narrative for how we live and how our children will live into the future.

Caroline noting the Theory of Change is to be updated next month and this could be worked into the document. Also to explore member fora to discuss these.

### 9. Next meeting – December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_