

## FEASTA Trustee Meeting

**Held:** via Skype **Date:** 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 13:00

**Present:** Mark Garavan (Chair), Michele Brady (minute taker), Willi Kiefel, Alison McIntyre, John Sharry, Brent Ranalli

**Apologies:** Graham Barnes **Attending:** Morag Friel, Caroline Whyte

---

### AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising
3. Morag (Finance) Report
4. Caroline (Communications) Report
5. IEN annual funding application
6. North America Report
7. post-Covid response
8. AOB

1. **Apologies noted.**

2. **Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes approved unanimously

Proposer: Mark Garavan

Seconded: John Sharry

3. **Matters arising and Actions**

- a. Reviewed Action list and noted tasks completed

4. **Finance report (Morag)**

The finance report was circulated in advance. Noted €500 donation from a previous member. No unusual activity noted. It is hoped to have activities that we can spend on rather than hold money.

5. **Communications report (Caroline)**

- a. IEN submission – some areas discussed. Caroline has a significant part of the document prepared. Deadline is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. Plan to get it in by Friday this week. All drafts available on Slack channel. Willi and Mark complemented Caroline on reports. They are very readable and engaging.
- b. *“BEYOND GDP: Governance and Budgeting for Well-being”* Webinar held on 5<sup>th</sup> June – co-hosted with Cork Environmental Forum. It is all on video which will be put online. 3 presenters with different approaches – very successful despite technical difficulties. A lot of options for future presentations coming out of it. Engagement from participants is very good. Difficulties not apparent to audience. Noted: Central Statistics Office in Ireland has a lot of data from other EU countries. Attendees estimated at 125.
- c. Potential options for international participation with some of the tools available – e.g. breakout rooms in zoom. Discussion on use of Microsoft vs. Zoom and security issues in using either one. As license has been paid for Microsoft Teams for one year it is proposed to continue with it for now. Team to be set up for Trustees and documents to be added in
- d. Podcast on travel with Sean Conlan went online last Sunday

## FEASTA Trustee Meeting

e. Website – new article posted from Mike Sandler.

### 6. Welcome to Alison McIntyre

Alison outlined what she is currently working on. Alison is currently based in British Columbia, Canada.

### 7. USA update

Brent and Mike trying to grow Feasta USA, email to 150 people. A couple of responses to date. Exploring what can be done without duplicating what is being done elsewhere. Next step possibly an online discussion with like-minded people they know. A follow up email on potential discussion topics to the same group of people.

Brent planning on writing on book on Commonwealth Dividends. Hope to generate events and activities around that.

Groups that they may link into: New Economy Coalition (Brent's area) and Post Carbon Institute (Mike's contact) may be approached.

Noted: lot of change in the country

8. **Post Covid 19** – Importance of spreading our message, noted it will be over internet based programmes. John suggested and it was agreed that we send a message to members that we will support any events they have online.

### 9. AOB

Meeting with Afri next week to see if something can be done instead of normal event held in May.

### 10. Next meeting – July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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

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

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

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