

## FEASTA Trustee Meeting - Reports submitted

**Held:** via Zoom **Date:** 8th Nov 2021, 16:00 UTC

**Present:** Mike Sandler (Chair/minutes), Brent Ranalli, Willi Kiefel, Graham Barnes, John Sharry, Alison McIntyre

**Apologies:** Mark Garavan, Michele Brady

**Attending:** Morag Friel, Caroline Whyte, Andrew Williard (intern)

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### AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising
3. Financial and Membership Review
4. Activities Report
5. COP-26
6. North American Report
7. AOB..

#### **1. Apologies noted.**

Since Michele not in attendance, Mike will take notes.

Meeting began with informal discussion of COP-26, Caroline's recent experience in Glasgow, FEASTA media articles and interviews. John also was in Glasgow. An overwhelming place, people from all over, hard to get your bearings at first. Positive feelings about the youth delegation.

Before getting to next item, Mike said that at the October Trustee meeting (which was only attended by a few people, and did not have a quorum) it was discussed that since John had served a whole year and the AGM meeting was not past, Mike will become Chair of the Board. This transition was mentioned at previous meetings, however, it should be ratified at this meeting now that there is a quorum.

**Motion:** To elect Mike Chair of the Board of Trustees for the period of one year.

*Motion made: W Keifel; Second: B Ranalli*

No objections, the Motion passed.

#### **2. Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes of Sept meeting approved. No minutes from October, since no quorum was present.

*Proposed: W Keifel      Seconded: B Ranalli*

#### **3. Finance & membership report**

Morag noted \$3,000 in news funds since IEN got additional unexpected funding. She proposes to use \$1,500 for a new computer, the old one is from 2007.

*Proposal to approve: G Barnes      Seconded: J Sharry*

#### **4. Activities report and Communications report**

Presented by Caroline. See reports below. The following items were highlighted:

- Caroline proposed to join European Environmental Bureau. Membership will cost us €296 per year. Morag said we were previously a member, but not sure benefit. Caroline said lots happening and they are starting to take up FEASTA ideas, good timing to have an impact.

*Proposal to approve: G Barnes      Seconded: J Sharry*

- IEN Small Grant opportunity. \$2,500, media outreach regarding sustainable economics, fits with FEASTA's mission. Caroline is spread a little thin with new agriculture project etc. Mike said what about a press release regarding the new BOGA partnership of Denmark and Costa Rica? Other ideas also discussed. Alison can help coordinate. Will set up a zoom to discuss further.
- Caroline requested reimbursement for CGC flyers at COP-26. She said they were well received, lots handed out at protest march.

*Proposal to approve: J Sharry Seconded: B Ranalli*

- Siteground web hosting company. Caroline not happy that price went up. But could be lots of time to switch to new company, and it really isn't that much if divided by 3 years. Trustees said send email about price and mention we are non-profit charity org on small budget and see if non-profit rate. Then likely best to just stay with it for now. Alison apologized since it was her recommendation, but she didn't remember this happening before.

*Proposal to approve: A McIntyre Seconded: J Sharry*

## 5. COP-26

Discussion of youth delegation, showed photo of 5 young people at breakfast in Glasgow. Caroline described what she saw at the COP. Media interviews, BOGA partnership, potential to work with World Basic Income. Mike posted Week 1 update. Will do Week 2 update, and then a video on zoom if recording works and Caroline can edit, called COP-26 Reflections. Mike was pleased with the delegation. We had 5 people for COP-21, this year 13 people with 10 attending. Maybe the next one will have 20 people.

## 6. North American Report (see notes attached)

The North America group did not meet this month due to other obligations, but we hope to pick it back up again next month. Here's our current status and priorities:

In wake of publication of Peter Barnes's book OURS, which advocates for universal property, planning some kind of event, possibly a panel discussion with Peter, Jim Boyce and Brent. Mike helping coordinate youth COP participation.

New intern, Andrew Williard from Appalachian State University in North Carolina. His interests include German politics, and he is writing a blog post on the recent German election and possibilities for Cap & Dividend to be in the platform of the new coalition government.

Gwen Hallsmith made contact with Bob Costanza for a discussion of shared interests and possibly setting up an event.

## 7. Forthcoming events and information sharing

Morag will send an email on the next Members Meeting. Would be 7PM Irish time. New member Andrew from New Zealand may attend.

## 8. Next meeting – mid December, 2021 at TBD

Morag sent a Doodle Poll for Trustees to set the date and time of the next meeting. Mark can't make normal time. But will revisit in early 2022.

SIGNED: \_\_\_ Mike Sandler \_\_\_  
Chairperson

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ June 21, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_ Michele Brady \_\_\_  
Company Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 \_\_\_\_\_