

EXCO MEETING MINUTES

Convenor: Jonny Saganger

Date: 23 August 2012

Timing: 21.00 – 22.10

Location: Piaski, Poland

Attendance: Pramod Kumar, Penny Pattison, Pablo Colangelo, Mirek Wasilevski, Arnoud Philipppo, Jonny Saganger, Ann Greenhough, Danielle Serres, Jaime Romero.

Minutes: David Asher / Jaime Romero

Purpose of meeting: Handover between old and new EXCO

1. GA 2012 expenses

Proposal by MW that 50% of travel costs incurred by Amir Levy in visiting venue to plan for GA be reimbursed. Alternative suggestion made by PP to increase this to 100% in recognition of considerable time spent plus other costs incurred.

Conclusion: Agreed to fund 100% of travel costs.

Action: MW

2. EXCO priorities

Discussion:

Servas on line:

Agreement from both old and new EXCO that first priority for the new EXCO was implementation of SoL. Discussion about the options regarding drafting specification and tendering for design. Some historical information available from Thomas Thomas (Germany). Project management will be crucial to success. Acknowledged that plans for SoL do not change individual members' membership of Servas to their local country. The federal structure of Servas is not changed. No extra funding is currently required.

Website:

Discussion about need for funding to be available for web design. MW confirmed that SoL budget line could also address web design, and that moderate money could be used for development of Servas. Agreed that website and SoL pages need to have the same 'feel'. PP confirmed the need to change the SIEXCO site as this was using the wrong technology.

Servas identity:

Joint Swedish / Canada motion being presented tomorrow to address identity issues. Agreed that vision work on identity and SoL work need to be happening simultaneously and informing each other.

Conclusion: Agreed that the four priorities for the new EXCO are:

- SoL
- Web site
- Legal / registration issues
- Future identity (the brand)

Action: New EXCO

3. EXCO communication

Discussion:

All agreed to importance of old and new EXCO postholders having opportunity to meet individually, and for new EXCO to have a further meeting tomorrow. Agreed to continuing previous practice of using SKYPE conferencing and emails between members that were copied to whole of new EXCO, but not previous members.

Conclusion: Continue use of SKYP and email for communication.

Action: Close down SI EXCO 2009 email address (PP). SI EXCO 2012 to be opened (JS).

4. Next meeting: 24 August 2012 18.00 – 19.30