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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 10th February 2022
Procès-verbal de l'Assemblée Générale Ordinaire du 22 février 2022

DATE: 10 February 2022 at 9:00.

PLACE: Held remotely via Zoom platform

PRESENT:

	Full name of members present or represented <i>Noms, prénoms des membres présents ou représentés</i>	Full name of the proxy or authorised representative <i>Noms, prénoms des mandataires ou représentants</i>
1.	Aix, George Duby	Sharon Miron-Hughes
2.	Paris, Lycée EIB Etoile	Vanessa Lincoln
3.	Nogent-sur-Marne, Lycée E Branly	Julie Campiglia-Puluhen
4.	Bruxelles, Jean Monnet)	James Titheridge
5.	Buc, Lycée franco-allemand PSAB	Siobhan Roistaing
6.	Chambéry, Vaugelas	Anne Gazzeri
7.	Colomiers, Victor Hugo	Xavier Vuiller
8.	Ferney-Voltaire	Laura Martin-Clark

9.	Fontainebleau, François 1^{er}	Shaun Corrigan
10.	La Celle St. Cloud, Noisy le Roi	Lynne Mphande
11.	La Celle St. Cloud, Lycée Corneille	Ann King
12.	Lyon, Ensemble Scolaire Fénélon La Trinité	Jérôme Widemann
13.	Lyon, CSI	Rob Miller
14.	Nogent-sur-Marne, CS E. Branly APESIA	Audrey Sebbah
15.	Paris, EIB	Vanessa Lincoln
16.	Paris, Massillon	Cécile Pozzo di Borgo
17.	Saint Germain-en-Laye, British Section	James Cathcart
18.	Sèvres, Sections Internationales de Sèvres	Emily Robin Elisabeth Lau-Vanchet
19.	Versailles, Notre Dame du Grandchamp	Corinne Peeters

MEETING

Members attending were asked to sign in via the chat box. The agenda was taken as read. There were 19 members present or represented by proxy. No particular quorum is needed for the annual Ordinary General Meeting under the Articles.

President's Report

- 1.1 The President, James Cathcart, opened the meeting and presented his report on the activities of ASIBA over the last academic year, using a PPT displayed on screen.
- 1.2 An organigramme was shown summarising the structure of ASIBA highlighting the roles of the Academic Steering Group, Schools' Forum and the Board, as well as ASIBA's status as the "*l'interlocuteur privilégié de l'OIB britannique*" between DGESCO and CIE as part of the '*protocole d'accord*'. The associate agreement with CIE for the IGCSE examinations is also a strategic partnership for ASIBA.
- 1.3 Attention was drawn to the significant growth of the British OIB programme from 2002, when there were 250 candidates, to 2022 with 1,768 candidates, 58 schools and 27 examination centres, of which 13 are outside the mainland France.
- 1.4 JC announced the retirement of Catherine Sagne in February and related the transition from the OIB Administrative Coordinator role to the management of the online OIB

Database by Sandrine Hurst of the British Section, Lycée International St Germain en Laye. The database is a secure and efficient platform for supporting an atypical bicultural examination:

- collecting and maintaining candidates and examiner information
- compiling of text grids
- the deployment of oral examiners
- liaising with académies/rectorat (convocations, payments etc.)
- liaising with Neoptech (online marking)
- liaising with SIEC, MPE etc: convocations and timetables
- enquiries/support
- special circumstances/access arrangements
- supporting Cambridge inspectors during exam period (fiches d'évaluations, etc.)

1.5 JC stated that rather than employing someone to replace the administrative coordinator role, ASIBA will be reimbursing the British Section for the administrative hours related to the above activities taken on by Sandrine Hurst.

1.6 As a side note on the oral examining session 2022:

- 5 days of oral examining 7-12 June (overseas centres will be examining in the preceding week: 3 days of oral exams in the period between 2-6 June)
- reimbursements of oral examiner travel expenses by the SIEC will increase this June to €110 for accommodation in Paris/€90 for accommodation in other regions

1.7 JC highlighted the strategic leadership role ASIBA has played in the reform of the OIB in 2021 and the new programmes of study and new modules of the BFI. ASIBA has also been coordinating the introduction of a new online marking system, Santorin for the written examinations in 2022.

1.8 ASIBA has been active in increasing the level of recognition of the reformed Bac / OIB which has translated to lower entry requirements on offers from a number of UK universities. UCAS QIP differentiates the OIB from the standard French Bac: the OIB is recognised as the equivalent to 4 A Levels. ASIBA also contributed to the updated UCAS apply forms for the OIB from 2021 with common subject lines for more uniformity and clarity for OIB applicants.

1.9 Other notable developments include:

- Online IGCSE Maths tuition
- Online admissions test preparation courses
- University entrance webinars
- Example Candidate Responses
- 6th ASIBA Poetry competition: "Air"
- Unifrog – University Research and Orientation platform (negotiated subscription fees for ASIBA schools)
- ASIBA Online Masterclasses

Secretary encouraged members to recruit speakers from their school and alumni networks for next year's Master classe programme. Interested speakers should contact: asibasecretary@gmail.com

- 1.10 The President affirmed that ASIBA's strategy had been to seek to mutualise the economic burden across the whole community through ASIBA membership fees and to try to develop other sources of income, notably through the iGCSE agreement with Cambridge and more recently with Greene's, all with the goal of becoming self-funding.
- 1.11 Resolution on membership fees 2021: Increase in the annual membership fee to €12.50 (with a cap of €1500) and an increase in the minimum fee to €300. No changes to academic year 2022-23.
- 1.12 The President concluded his report by thanking all OIB member schools for their continued support for the OIB and the future BFI.

2. Treasurer's Report

- 2.1 The Treasurer, Shaun Corrigan, presented the accounts for ASIBA's financial year 2020-21 (1st September to 31st August), in the form of a statement of income and expenditure, and the budgets for the current year 2021-22 (cf. annex 1).
- 2.2 The Treasurer went through the key figures of the 2020-21 accounts. Membership fees amounted to €20,260 and €9,225 had been generated through ASIBA's relationship with Cambridge International Examinations (iGCSEs) and 2479€ through Greene's courses giving a total income of €31,964
- 2.3 On the expenditure side, the iGCSE and Greene's revenues had been used to contribute to part of the costs of the OIB Administrative Coordinator employed by the British Section of St. Germain-en-Laye, in accordance with the standing agreement. The reimbursement of the shortfall in oral examiner expenses and assistant moderators' expenses made during the year (relating to the summer 2019 session) was €476. The Inspector's expenses were €2,813.
- 2.4 The current bank balance (Livret A and current account) stands at around € 14,225 representing reserves carried forward of around €11,510.
- 2.5 The Treasurer presented the budget for 2021-22. On the income side the members' fees will be around €24,800 and iGCSE and Greene's income around €12,000. With the key costs of the ongoing administrative support and management of the database for the OIB examinations, training, inspectors & assistant moderator's and academic steering group expenses, the balance of the provisional budget is projected at €3,566 for the year.

3. Approval of the Accounts

The meeting was invited to approve the accounts for the accounting year 2020-21, as well as the budgets for the current year 2021-22 and 2022-23, as presented and they were approved by 18 votes in favour, with no votes against.

4. Election of Directors

4.1 The Secretary, ELV reminded members that there are currently 9 Directors, composed of 3 ex officio Directors (all section leaders / teachers) and 6 elected Directors (5 section leaders / teachers and 1 parent representatives).

4.2 The 3 ex officio Directors, holding office by virtue of their position on the Academic Steering Group (ASG) or as a Strategic Liaison Leader (SLL), are:

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| 1. Shaun Corrigan (Fontainebleau) | Deputy Coordinator, ASG |
| 2. Nick Baker (St. Germain) | SLL English Language & Literature |
| 3. Alan Geary (Lyon) | SLL History-Geography |

4.3 All of the existing Directors are standing for re-election.

4.4 The Secretary confirmed the names of the 6 current Directors whose term of office expires at the end of this Annual General Meeting all of whom were willing to stand for re-election: James Cathcart, Elisabeth Lau-Vanchet, Rob Miller, Laura Martin-Clarke, Katharine Axten and Xavier Vuiller

4.5 By a vote of 18 in favour, none against, the following were duly re-elected as Directors by the members to serve for a term expiring at the end of the next Annual General Meeting:

4. James Cathcart (St. Germain)
5. Elisabeth Lau-Vanchet (Sèvres)
6. Rob Miller (Lyon)
7. Laura Martin-Clarke (Ferney-Voltaire)
8. Katharine Axten (Balzac, parent)
9. Xavier Vuiller (Colomiers)

5. Any Other Business

No-one raised any other business.

There being no other business, the President closed the meeting at 10.20am

James Cathcart, President

E. Lau-Vanchet, Secretary