Present:

Members: Barbara Lison (President, Chair); Vicki McDonald; Jaap Naber; Kirsten Boelt; Jonathan Hernández Pérez; Yasuyo Inoue; Ayub Kahn; Halo Locher; Mandla Ntombela.

Nthabiseng Kotsokoane joined at the end of item 2.1.

Observer: Jan Richards (Vice Chair Professional Council)

Staff: Helen Mandl, Deputy Secretary General & Director Member Services; Stephen Wyber, Director Policy & Advocacy.

1. General Business

1.1 Welcome and apologies

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all including Jan Richards who was attending as the representative of the Professional Council.

Resolution: It was agreed that Jan Richards, as the representative of the Professional Council, be able to attend the in-camera sessions of the meeting.

1.2 Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

1.3 Statement of interests

1.4 Minutes of previous meetings

1.4.1 Draft minutes with discussions of the Governing Board meeting on 24 July 2022

Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with discussions as a true and accurate record of the eighty-seventh meeting of the Governing Board held on 24 July 2022 in Dublin, Ireland.

1.4.2 Draft minutes with decisions of the Governing Board meeting on 24 July 2022

Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with decisions as a true and accurate record of the eighty-seventh meeting of the Governing Board held on 24 July 2022 in Dublin, Ireland.

1.4.3 Draft minutes with discussions of the Governing Board meeting on 29 July 2022

Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with discussions as a true and accurate record of the eighty-eighth meeting of the Governing Board held on 29 July 2022 in Dublin, Ireland.
1.4.4 Draft minutes with decisions of the Governing Board meeting on 29 July 2022
Resolution: The Governing Board accepted the minutes with decisions as a true and accurate record of the eighty-eighth meeting of the Governing Board held on 29 July 2022 in Dublin, Ireland.

1.5 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda

2. Governance

2.1 Representation changes IFLA
The Governing Board moved into a special session at 12.15 to discuss and vote on a series of legal requirements to be submitted to the Dutch Chamber of Commerce following recent changes within the Governing Board and authorizations. The session ended at 12:30. The requirements and resolutions were approved.

Resolution: to request approval from each member of the Governing Board to attach their digital signature to these minutes.

2.2 General Assembly report and motions

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the report
2. The Governing Board requested that the concepts outlined in Motion 3 be unpacked and assessed against the Governing Board’s Plan as to what is already covered within the Plan, and incorporated as appropriate.
3. That IFLA HQ provide further information on a draft whistle blower policy.
4. That IFLA HQ provide input on IFLA’s protocol for response to war and conflict.
5. That the President, President-elect and Treasurer work on a timetable to address the concepts in the motion.

2.3 Progress of the Plan for Securing IFLA’s Future and next steps

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the progress of the Plan.
2. A meeting to discuss the Plan with the Chairs of the Professional Council, Regional Council, MLAS, Professional Divisions, Regional Divisions and Advisory Committees has been set for 17 October from 13:00 – 14:30. It was proposed to also invite the key signatories to the members’ letter to this meeting noting that three were already among the Chairs and only one other required an invitation.
3. The Governing Board requested that the Plan should be updated monthly on the IFLA website and should note upcoming actions. A summary should be included in the IFLA newsletter and the Plan and an update should be on the agenda of every GB meeting.
2.4. Replacement of Professional Council Chair

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the recommendation of the Professional Council to hold elections for a replacement for the Chair of the Professional Council.
2. The Governing Board accepted the recommendation of the Professional Council to hold elections for a replacement for the Chair of the Professional Council.
3. The Governing Board will call for nominations for the Chair of the Professional Council as part of an election process in line with the Statutes and Rules of Procedure.
4. The Governing Board noted and accepted the application of Statute 15.11 in this instance, thereby allowing whoever is successfully elected as Chair of the Professional Council for the period of the casual vacancy, to stand again, should they so wish, for the period 2023-2025.

2.5 Legal advice to react to Twitter

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the report.
2. That based on the legal advice provided, the Governing Board decided not to proceed with any further action against Twitter or other unknown parties in the matter of the publication of an unauthorized recording from an internal staff meeting.
3. The Governing Board requested that staff be updated on the outcome of the situation.

2.6 Operational Plan for 2023

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

2.7 IFLA SIGL Partnership

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

3. Financial Matters
3.1 Draft IFLA Travel policy

Resolution: The Governing Board endorsed the IFLA Business Travel and Expense Reporting Policy.

3.2 IFLA IT Support

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the report.
2. The Governing Board endorsed the signing of an agreement with ICT Teamwork for IFLA’s foundation IT needs subject to review and approval by the Treasurer.

3.3 Request Salary Development – Management
Resolution: That the Treasurer provides salary information to the Governing Board.

4. WLIC

4.1 WLIC 2023 Update

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the report.
2. The Governing Board approved the incorporation of the bank fees into the conference rates.
3. The Governing Board approved the increase of 4% to the conference rates for 2023 to cover bank fees.
4. That at WLIC 2023, the officers’ reception is moved to Monday 21 August and Caucus meetings are moved to Sunday 20 August.

4.2 WLIC 2024 Report

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

4.3 WLIC 2024/2025

Resolutions:
1. The Governing Board noted the report.
2. The Treasurer is to be involved in determining the model of the next agreements with KIT.

5. Reports

5.1 Report from the Professional Council
Due to time constraints, the Governing Board dealt with the urgent matter of the replacement for the Chair of the Professional Council. Other items were postponed to the next Governing Board meeting.

5.2 Knowledge Rights 21 Programme Update

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

5.3 Update on HQ and staff

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

5.4 Report from the Committee on Standards

Resolution: The Governing Board appointed Maja Žumer as an expert advisor to the Advisory Committee on Standards for the period of one year until August 2023.
6. Any other business

7. In camera: Executive Session

Next Governing Board meeting dates:

Proposed 2022/2023 dates:

20 October 2022 – 13:00 – 15:00 CEST Teleconference
5 – 8 December 2022 in The Hague in person
27 February 2023 from 12:00 – 14:00 CET by teleconference
24 April 2023 from 12:00 – 14:00 CEST by teleconference
June 2023 – in person meeting in The Hague