Europeana Network Association Management Board
Management Board meeting 27 March 2015

DECISIONS & ACTIONS

Attendees Max Kaiser (MK Chair), Merete Sanderhoff (MS Vice-Chair), Paul Keller (PK Treasurer), Joke van der Leeuw-Roord (JLR), Rolf Källman (RK), Johan Oomen (JO), Jill Cousins (JC), Aubéry Escande (AE), Luis Ramos Pinto (LRP)

1. Review of pending actions - MK

The actions were reviewed the completed actions ticked, the pending ones discussed.

PK highlighted that he would like to share with the broader Network what is happening with regards to the publication policy. JC agreed that this should be a topic scheduled for update/discussion in the next meeting.

ACTION - LRP: include publication policy as agenda item for discussion at the MB next meeting.

DECISION - MB: to transmit what information from the Foundation Board meetings they deem necessary with the wider network.

2. New Governance Proposition and transition plan - JC

JC went over paper 4d - Transition Plan for New Governance Structure highlighting that the plan as proposed had been unanimously approved by the Foundation's Executive Committee.

PK asked what the criteria behind selecting the 14 domain Associations is? MK does this criteria ensure fair representation of the Network?

DECISION - MB: expressed for better clarification regarding the selection criteria of the domain associations if the new governance structure.

PK required clarification on Transition point 2 number 10 and asked what were the motives behind including running terms based on calendar years?

ACTION - JC: To clarify transition point 2 number 10 for the Foundation Board meeting April 4.

MK asked who appoints the vice-chair of the governing board? JC the Governing Board appoints its Vice-Chair. PK asked if the MB wanted to make someone from within the MB the Vice-Chair? MK highlighted article 5.4 of the bylaws where its said the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Foundation cannot be the same of as those of the Association. JLR as its by law this can easily be altered. Discussion then ensued as to whether someone from the MB should stand for the position of Vice-Chair. JLR if no one else from within the MB wanted the position, she would happily run.

ACTION - MB: to decide between themselves who will run for position of Vice-Chair before the next Foundation Board meeting.
3. Association bylaws update - JLR

JLR highlighted that despite the complexity of the issue, that the by laws groups were still expected to provide draft examples of these by 14 April. Julia Fallon will revise these and provide them back by 17 April. JLR mentioned that the issue of institutional membership still needs to be addressed.

ACTION - MS: to provide a small background paper on the pros & cons of institutional membership by April 10.

ACTION - AE: to conduct a risk assessment of the meeting having in place the necessary tools for the Network transition into and association as per options 2 & 3 of the transition plan.

4. Formal incorporation of the Association

ACTION - LRP: to provide full list of MC for official incorporation into the Association.

DECISION: officially incorporated member Joke Van der Leeuwerd Roord approves the incorporation of the 23 names presented. In absentia Johan Oomen approves, in writing that he too approves the 23 members. The remaining Management Board approves the incorporation of the 23 members.

5. Business Plan 2015 in relation to strategy 2020 and CEF Funding

The MB discussed the best way of being involved in the Business Plan as a group.

DECISION - MC: to formulate the contribution to the Business Plan at the June MB meeting.

ACTION - MB: to form a BP working-group with Harry.

6. Europeana Network Update at FB meeting - MS

ACTION - MK & MS: to meet after call to formulate the update for the Foundation Board meeting.

7. Working with the Commission & Members States on a strategy for long term funding - JC

JO asked if it was possible to get the funding figures from all the different EU sources. JC replied that after the Member State task force meeting there would be a clearer indication of this.

MK asked if CEF had been approved? JC it's still waiting for formal approval.

8. Communications update & new Pro (inc. Sugar integration) - AE

ACTION - AE: to give MK & MS update on comms strategy so far to be shared with the Foundation Board.

9. AGM update on planning the AGM - AE
AE dates of 3 & 4 November (rooms also available on the 2nd Nov for side meetings seem to be the best. Looking into best venues to hold the event. AGM working group (of 8 people) will meet fortnightly to drive the process.

10. AOB

RK asked if anyone had thought of crowdfunding as an alternative source of funding? JC is going to Parma to discuss this with Platoniq - is open to hearing how possible suggestions in this respect. MK said he was doing some crowdfunding in the context of creative with the makers movement.