

General Assembly Meeting Minutes

May 4th, 2018, 16:45-19:00, Mauritius

Agenda

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6	Treasurer's Report (requires approval by the GA)
	a. Review of Accounts 2017
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15	Adjournment

Documents

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- Minutes of GAM 2017 Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain
- Annual report 2017
- 2017 Financial Statements
- 2019 Budget
- Revised Constitution proposal



Development

1. Opening of the GA Meeting/Welcome notes

Martí Casadesús, INQAAHE Secretary, informed the General Assembly how this year's meeting was structured, how voting would work and the list of topics included in the agenda.

2. Confirmation of quorum

Given the insufficient number of INQAAHE Full Members attending the General Assembly Meeting, the minimum quorum (30% of 187 full members) was not reached. Because of that, INQAAHE Secretary, informed the General Assembly that the Constitution could not be voted given the insufficient number of full members attending the meeting.

3. Approval of the agenda for the GAM

The rules of the General Assembly regarding voting (the use of the green and red cards) were explained by INQAAHE Secretary. The members were also informed that requests that needed any reply by INQAAHE would be done in written form.

The General Assembly Meeting 2018 agenda was approved.

4. Approval of Minutes 2017 General Assembly Meeting (Bahrain)

No remarks. They are approved by the members.

5. President's and Secretariat's Report

Susanna Karakhanyan, INQAAHE acting President, and Secretary presented the President and Secretariat's reports. Both documents were unanimously approved by the Assembly.

Some issues were discussed regarding the mobility of INQAAHE Secretariat and the sustainability of the new possible CEO position that was introduced during presentation of the President report.

6. Treasurer's Report

Jawaher al-Mudhahki, INQAAHE's Treasurer, presented 2017 Financial Statements.

The report was unanimously approved by the Assembly.

Some concerns were raised regarding the reserves of INQAAHE and how they may not be appropriate for a non-profit organisation and how the new CEO figure may affect the economic sustainability of the Network.



7. Constitution proposal

INQAAHE Secretary, informed the General Assembly that the new version of the Constitution, which was about to be presented nevertheless, could not be voted during this meeting. Pauline Tang, Immediate past Vice-president and chair of the working group for the revision of the constitution, presented the changes included in the new version of the Constitution and announced that the final version was not ready yet. There was some discussion among representatives regarding the application of the staggered approach.

The General Assembly was informed that the changes discussed were to be voted online once the final document was ready.

8. Future events: INQAAHE 2020 Forum proposal

There was only one bid to host INQAAHE Forum 2018: Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education and Career Development (AKKORK) presented the proposal to accommodate 2020's INQAAHE event in Russia.

9. President and Board elections results

The results of the elections for President and Board directors were presented to the General Assembly.

New Board elected members:

- Angela Yung-Chi Hou, Higher Education Evaluation and Accreditation Council of Taiwan
- Salim Ahmed Khan Riphah International University, Pakistan
- Karen Treloar, Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency, Australia
- Erika Soboleva, Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance and Career Development, Russia
- Leah Matthews, Distance Education Accrediting Commission, USA
- Juan Carlos del Castillo, National Council for the Quality of Tourism Education, México

A tie was announced among three potential candidates for Board director: Vivek Gupta Ramnarain (Tertiary Education Commission, Mauritius), María José Lemaitre (Centro Interuniversitario de Desarrollo, Chile) and Michael Bradshaw (Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago).

Susanna Karakhanyan was announced 7th President of the Network.

Former Board members were fare welled

- Pauline Tang (elected Board director, Vicepresident)
- Jawaher al-Mudhahki (Treasurer)
- Jagannath Patil (Immediate Past President)
- Maiki Udam (elected Board director)
- Erika Soboleva (elected Board director)
- Martin Strah (elected Board director)

- Anthony McClaran (co-opted Board director)
- Eddy Chong Siong Choy (co-opted Board director)
- Carol Bobby (co-opted Board director)
- Franz Gertze (co-opted Board director)
- Tashmin Khamis (co-opted Board director)



10. Forum 2020 and tiebreaker voting

During this period, members voted both AKKORK's forum proposal and to break the tie among the three candidates for Board Director.

11. Future Events: INQAAHE 2019 Conference, Sri Lanka

The future hosts of INQAAHE Conference 2019, University Grants Commission, Sri Lanka, presented the upcoming event to all members.

12. Presentation of the results of Forum 2020 and tiebreaker voting

The General Assembly approved INQAAHE Forum 2020 to be hosted by AKKORK in Russia.

After all votes related to the tie break were counted, Vivek Gupta Ramnarain was elected 7th Board Director.

13. Handover to the new President and Board

No remarks.

14. Any other business

No further topic was discussed.

15. Adjournment

The GAM was adjourned until the following year in Colombo, Sri Lanka.