LXXI National Council Meeting of ELSA the Netherlands 22nd of September 2017 Minutes Opening Plenary

- 1. Opening
- 2. Announcements
- 3. Determining the agenda
- 4. Incoming mail

Żaneta, ELSA the Netherlands: There is none.

- 5. Introduction of International Guests
- 6. Handing out voting cards
- 7. Election of plenary secretaries

Sara, ELSA Maastricht Djuanti, ELSA Leiden

Unanimously approved.

8. Election of plenary tellers

Jonas, ELSA Nijmegen Yvette, ELSA Amsterdam

Unanimously approved

9. Approval of the minutes of NCM III Maastricht.

Roy, ELSA The Netherlands: I would recommend reading it before voting on it.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Strong reminder to read the minutes.

Votes in favor of the minutes. Unanimously approved.

Roy, ELSA the Netherlands: How can you approve something you did not read?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Voting will be re-done on Sunday.

10. Nomination, NCM II

Presentation ELSA Leiden

Jonas, ELSA Nijmegen: On these days they will maybe have their small trip.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: This date is suitable for everyone else, please try to plan it on a different date.



11. Nomination NCM II

Sara, ELSA Maastricht: Is pub crawl not included in the Budget?

Hawelti, ELSA Tilburg: It is not.

12. Presentation IPM

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We had a great time during IPM Zagreb. We will go more in depth during presidents' workshop. One of the proposals is to make a portfolio of partners on an international level. Another big proposal is to let more than 2 people from the same country to run for the position in the International ELSA board.

Zaneta, ELSA the Netherlands: I would like to thank everyone from the Dutch delegation for SAM in Novi Sad. Good times and fruitful discussions, during the workshops we will discuss the content in detail.

Eva, ELSA The Netherlands: KAM in Bratislava was equally great, We had a delegation of 6 people.

13. State of the Network.

Zaneta, ELSA the Netherlands: Reminder that SoTN needs to be filled in on time, as we need to pass this information to the International Board.

Presentation on State of the Network

Paul, ELSA Tilburg: Not all positions were filled while SoTN was sent out, that might be a reason for lack of answers.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: It is the responsibility of the board to fill it in. If we don't get enough answers we don't get enough voting right. Missing functions need to be filled in by the board in total. So basically twice

Elias. ELSA Rotterdam: Bad transition so no access to the email.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We also posted it to the FB groups.

Żaneta, ELSA the Netherlands: Email is the official channel of communications.

14. WVTTK

Leon, ELSA Nijmegen: On behalf of president apology for not being complete during the DOT

Jasper, ELSA Tilburg: Will we have ELSA spirit directors during the workshops? Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We can for the workshops.



Closing of the plenary.

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- 11. Opening
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- 14. Appointing the new plenary secretaries
- 15. Year report 2016/2017

Michelle ELSA International: I will read out the reports from the previous board; They intent to stay available for everyone and are open to answer any questions about previous year.

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: What happened with the board falling apart?

Michelle, ELSA International: We had some personal issues that influenced our professional relationship which made it impossible to function together as a board. Me and Danny took over Internal Management and I think we did a great job with doing that with only 3 of us.

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: Don't you think it is a responsibility of the president to keep the board together?

Michelle, ELSA International: I think it is, but I'm not saying he didn't try; Danny is a person

Michelle, ELSA International: I was a VP MCC, I also took charge for VP AA and VP S&C. It was very challenging, they are separate areas for a reason. Everyone needs support and guidance and I think it turned out ok. We also took over internal management. As VP MCC I tried to find out why NMCC didn't work. We found that is a deeper problem with ELSA core activities:

Our main goal is to bring back the ELSA knowledge and ELSA spirit, to go back to our roots. We organized DOT and I think it was success. A lot of people turned up, also a lot of people turned up here at NCM with a lot of ELSA knowledge. We went to SAM, KAM, IPM, we have 14 pp delegation for ICM. That mean that ELSA is coming back to the Netherlands and I hope next board will keep up with that

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I open the floor to question.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Jozua's personal presentation was omitted because he felt that it could be presented the same way as financial report because it is pretty much it Any objections? - none

6. Financial Report 2016/2017

Michelle, ELSA International: Joshua knowing that ELSA the Netherlands was a little bit on "unfortunate waters" tried to look for more general partnerships so we didn't have to spend



money we don't have. We transitioned it to the next board year because it couldn't have been concluded. Partnership with StudyStore: initiated by ELSA Maastricht, 10% off Dutch books and 15% off English books, only one group ended up signing a contract.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I now open the floor for questions:

Zahed, ELSA Amsterdam: How much was spent for Gold Strike?

Michelle, ELSA International: We could only buy Goldstrike for COBOs

Angela, ELSA Groningen: Do you know what the colours of the excel sheet means?

Michelle, ELSA International: green for in, red for expenses, orange for subtotals.

Paul, ELSA Tilburg: Why the membership fees is only 1,025 euros if we have 2000 members?

Amo, ELSA the Netherlands: Membership fee is calculated but ELSA International. I don't know why it is like this but we split 875 by local group and the 150 euros was covered by EDF

Tim, ELSA Leiden: Why is there another membership fee in the realisation?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We already paid our membership fees for the next year to have voting rights for the council?

Manon, ELSA Maastricht: Can this be sent to us?

Eva, ELSA The Netherlands: We will do it. 5 minutes technical break.

Eva, ELSA The Netherlands: I now open the floor for further questions.

Tim, ELSA Leiden: I don't get why the realisation is not a realisation for his financial year. Next year's membership fee belongs to next year financial year. I think it's really sloppy and it's not good to accept as it is.

Eva, ELSA The Netherlands: Agrees. I'm not going to amend the budget now, but we can just simply not accept it. I will now proceed to the voting accepting this budget.

Votes in favor: 2

Against: 6 Abstentions: 8

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We are now waiting for the answer from Joshua, now presentation from Roy and Alena.

Roy, ELSA the Netherlands: Alena and I stepped out of board so we weren't prepared to do this. I'm not going to speak for her so if you want to ask question ask her. I was a VP



Marketing last year, stepped out of the board due to personal reason but continued to do the job as director MKT. We had constant contact with our partners but it didn't worked out at the end.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I now open the floor for questions for Roy's and Alena's presentation

7. Financial report NCM III Maastricht

Żaneta, ELSA The Netherlands: I was the head of the OC for Maastricht, you have the financial reports in the group so please take a look. We made "profit" of 647, 08 euros and it will be reimbursed to the participants.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: No questions, lets vote on the financial report:

In favor: 14 Against: 0 Abstentions: 2

8. Auditing Committee Report 2016/2017

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Auditing Committee asked to forward their report to Roy

Roy, ELSA the Netherlands: I don't have anything

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I ask for permission of the council to call the AC and ask where is there report.

Permission granted by the council

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: To keep it efficient we will skip this point for now.

9. Election Auditing Committee 17/18

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I would like to see any nominations for the Auditing Committee 2017/2018

Roy, ELSA Tilburg: I nominate Rob van Bergen.

Paul, ELSA Tilburg: ELSA Tilburg would like to nominate Roy Colen.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I would like to propose voting for AC as a whole, any

objections? None, so we will proceed

In favour: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

The Auditing Committee members were accepted

10. Presentation OYOP 17/18

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I open the floor for questions; I see none, therefore OYOP is accepted.



11. Voting on Supervisory Council

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: As agreed in NCM III, we will vote for the Supervisory Council as stated in our regulations. I give the floor to Zaneta to present the candidates

Żaneta, ELSA the Netherlands: We received 3 applications from Danny Koeijvoets, Flupke Van Den Bogart, Roy Colen.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I would like to recommend voting in favor for the suporvisory council

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: I'm not sure about Danny, since he didn't perform that well last year.

Roy, ELSA the Netherlands: I understand the question, but I can say that he is a good pick for advisory council, and I believe that it is good to have both sides in this body.

Marco, ELSA Amsterdam: You want people more detached personally. People still working for ELSA the Netherlands or worked for it last year may not be that accepted. You want people that are a little bit more distanced.

Zahed, ELSA Amsterdam: They are two of members of the former national board.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I understand your point.

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: Can't we do it later?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: If we don't do it today, we will do it at NCM II

Michelle, ELSA International: According to your regulation you have to do it at NCM I.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: So we either have the Supervisory Council now or we don't at all

Paul, ELSA the Netherlands: Can't we have an informal Supervisory Council now?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: That is nonsense, in terms of regulation that would have to be introduced.

Tim, ELSA Leiden: Is there any chance that more people will apply?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Any objections to vote SC as a whole? None, we will now proceed to voting.

Voting in favor: 12 Voting against: 0 Abstentions: 4



Karlien, ELSA Leiden: ELSA Leiden: Nina wanted to be in touch with National Board. She asked when she's supposed to hand in the report.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We didn't have any messages from Auditing Committee.

12. Voting on proposals

Proposal I:

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We will not start the discussion on the proposal I; it was refused to be strike out at NCM III so now it's the only Dutch article in our Standing Orders, any questions? No questions, I will now proceed to voting.

In favor: 16 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0

Proposal II:

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We stick with the argument from NCM III; it's an example of overregulation

In favor: 14 Against: 0 Abstentions: 2

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We therefore withdraw the Proposal III

Proposal IV

In favour: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We will present our deputy in NCM II since this regulation will come in force in 6 week.

Proposal V

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: since it was voted in a messy and rushed way, I made some logistical and linguistically changes.

Milou, ELSA Leiden: Why do we vote in two parts if its one article?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I would like for this article to make sense, and then eventually change the number of days.

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: It is still the one proposal



ELSA Nijmegen: I think we should vote on section 1 and section 2 separately.

Zahed, ELSA Amsterdam: I would like to ask for the clarification.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We will split the technical remarks and linguistic changes I made and price and number of days into two separate votings.

Sara, ELSA Maastricht: Technicalities, location, price, day?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Technicalities in one voting and price and day.

Ismael, ELSA Rotterdam: Can you summarise the technical changes?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I changed some language issues. In case of refusing the NCM host, I stroke out the flowery language and changed it into simple written approval.

In favour: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I propose the change for days and prices. Any comments?

In favour: 0 Against: 16 Abstention: 0

Proposal VI:

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: If the statutory obligation is not fulfilled by the LG we cannot pass it forward to the IB. No SotN, no voting rights, with the reminder from the National Board around 2 days before the plenary.

Elias, ELSA Rotterdam: You stated a deadline without making it clear that it is possible to fill it after the deadline.

Michelle, ELSA International: You can still do it during the NCM.

Margot, ELSA Maastricht: I would like to propose the amendment to strike out "for that NCM" with "until the filled in"

In favour: 14 Against: 2 Abstention: 0

Proposal as amended passed

Proposal VI



No questions, comments

In favour: 16

Proposal 8:

ELSA Utrecht: What is a relation between SO and LG?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: It is not regulated, informally you can do whatever you want: you can get in touch with them.

In favour: 16

Tessa, ELSA the Netherlands: Regarding the auditing report, everything checked in and it is in order.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I propose moving to voting for the budget, it is the same as was send out only without the invoices for the membership fees.

In favour: 16

13. Voting on minutes from NCM III Maastricht

Tim, ELSA Leiden: There were some linguistic problems Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We will adjust any technical problems after, for the archivisation purpose. We would now like to start voting.

In favour: 16

13. Election of hosts for NCM II and III

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Voting in favour means you agreed on a date.

Ismael, ELSA Rotterdam: We would like to propose a different date due to academic schedule.

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: We cannot come due to prior responsibilities.

Hawelti, ELSA Tilburg: We would like to propose 27-28 April.

Milou: ELSA Leiden: How about 28, 29? 27 is Kings Day anyway.

Kristiina, ELSA Maastricht: How about 18 and 19th May?

Hawelti, ELSA Tilburg: 28-29 April is ok, but we have to adjust the budget. We have exams on 18 at 19^{th} .



Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I propose we start the voting on NCM III being on 28 and 29 April.

Kristiina, ELSA Maastricht: Can't we discuss other options?

ELSA Tilburg: No other options really.

Margot, ELSA Utrecht: I propose voting on 28 and 29th.

ELSA Nijmegen: We plan a trip that weekend.

Michelle, ELSA International: Why can't we make it in May as always?

Council decided that May is not going to work

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I propose that we come back to voting on 28th and 29th.

Can I have votes in favour of NCM II:

In favour: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

Eva: We now vote on NCM III in Tilburg on 28 and 29 April.

In favour: 12 Against: 2 Abstention 2

The proposal has been accepted by the council

14. Discharge of ELSA The Netherlands 16/17

Discharge of the Auditing Committee: Uninamously approved

Discharge of VP MCC Michelle Goossens Uninamously approved

Discharge of Director MKT Roy Colen Uninamously approved

Discharge of Treasurer Jouza Ishwardat

In favour: 14 Against: 0 Abstention: 2

Discharge of Secretary General Alena Krizova



Karlien, ELSA Leiden: We are not going to vote in favour if she has not finished her term.

Marco, ELSA Amsterdam: How come there is no presentation from Alena?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Previous board were responsible for presentation themselves. so in the end that is how it turned out.

In favour: 4 Abstentions: 8 Against: 4

Alena Krizova was not discharged.

Discharge of Danny Koeijvoets, the President of ELSA the Netherlands

Karlien, ELSA Leiden: I think that if we hadn't discharge the whole board we can not discharge the president.

In favour: 6 Against: 2 Abstentions: 8

Danny was discharged from his term.

15. WVTTK

Anastasia, ELSA International: I only get a chance to be here for the final plenary and I would like to say some words as a coach of ELSA the Netherlands. As the President of ELSA International: we are here for you to help out your network and your projects. We will be in very close contact with National Board and we are open to be in contact with you.

Djuanti, ELSA Leiden: This is the comment regarding ELSA NCM II. I don't plan on including drinks in my budget.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: It is also how it was decided during the workshop at NCM III. If you have any question about the logistics please approach ELSA Leiden.

Tim, ELSA Leiden: I believe it is disrespectful to not wear fully formally clothing during the plenary.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: Due to conditions it was allowed by the council.

Marco, ELSA Amsterdam: With two Supervisory Council and a director position in the board, keep in mind that it could potentially be dangerous to elect someone like this, e.g. Roy Colen.



Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: I agree, we don't have the regulation towards this, and it is something that is going to be worked on.

Jamie, ELSA Groningen: What about the regulations about a board member leaving the board and consequences?

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We discussed it during the workshop. We also don't have this kind of regulations. It is not usual for a board member to quit, and such regulation could be even encouraging for the board members to quit. It is not a regular thing and should not be regarded as such.

Vanessa, ELSA Maastricht: This NCM conditions were unacceptable.

Zahed, ELSA Amterdam: I agree that it was not actually good. I have to justify this due to limited time and high prices and this was the best.

Tim, ELSA Leiden: It should be regulated that OC should be on spot or at least be reachable.

Eva, The Netherlands: It was accepted at the NCM III that NB is not involved in preparation.

Dominika, ELSA Groningen: We were not informed about the condition and therefore we were not prepared.

Michelle, ELSA International: National Board has to be available and informed at all time to jump in to help out the OC.

Eva, ELSA the Netherlands: We take the responsibility for what happend.

Zahed, ELSA Amsterdam: I appreciate all the feedback.

16. Questions

Eva: I believe that all the guestion has been asked so we move on to the roundtable

17. Roundtable

18. Closing.

Eva: Thank you for being here. NCM was amazing, we got a lot of input from you. Thank you to the OC for your work and time. Thank you for successful plenary.

Plenary closed at 13:47

