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PRESENTS: Riccardo BUSI, Joan BURGUES, Freddy VAN GILBERGEN, Herbert GMEINER, Ioannis LYKOURIS, Kurt BATSchinski, David TAY, Romain NERO, Luis FRANKE (members of the DB)

1. Introduction by the President

The President opens the meeting, welcoming the members of the Directory Board in Paris. He stresses that he would like to increase the collaboration with France which represents an important Federation with 7000 authors

2. Review of the tasks accomplished since the last meeting.

Given the limited amount of time since the last meeting, all the tasks have not been performed and consequently their completion is postponed to the next meeting.

3. Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer presents the accounts and the financial situation as of October 2018 as well as the complete situation of payment of the subscriptions due by the country members For the Federations which have not paid for the past 2 years, a letter will be sent to remind that their membership will be canceled immediately in case of no payment at the due date.

4. Relations with the members

A letter will be sent to the Chinese Federation in order to remind them to respect FIAP rules in particular regarding the respect of deadlines. In Montenegro, the 11 Ifiap clubs existing in the country will have to organise themselves in order to nominate an Operational member. The DB decides at the unanimity to accept Equator and Algeria as new FIAP Operational Members. As for Brunei, excluded from FIAP some years ago for non-payment and which would like to reapply for membership, after discussion, the DB decides to accept it again as FIAP member provided that they immediately pay in advance 2 years of souscription. Their membership will be then presented to the approval of the General Assembly in June 2019 in Morocco.

5. Service Biennials

Luis Franke presents the new revised rules for Biennials, which are accepted by the DB after minor corrections. They will be published in the FIAP 4 official languages. The Regulations for data protection will be added.

6. Service FIAP World Cup for clubs

Ioannis Lykouris et Riccardo Busi are currently working on the Regulation for Data Protection.

7. FIAP Exhibition centers

Joan BURGUES presents a project to organise a meeting among all Directors of Exhibition centers in 2019, which is accepted at the unanimity of the DB members. A discussion then takes place regarding the conditions of such a meeting as well as the conditions Exhibition Centers should respect, to be added to the Regulations. It is suggested to have them sign a contract of 3 years as minimum duration, with a minimum of 5 exhibits, the obligation to present a program and the restitution of FIAP plaque in case the contract would not be renewed. A new Exhibition Center should open in Northern Spain at Langreo (Asturias) after the Congress of the Spanish Photo Federation at the beginning of November, and maybe another one in Bosnia. This would bring the total numbers of FIAP exhibition centers to 17.

8. Applications MFIAP

Freddy VAN GILBERGEN presents the proposal for a FIAP selection system of MFIAP at two levels, including 3 advisers and 2 substitutes, which is analyzed by the DB members. After discussion, it is decided that the DB members will proceed to the selection of the jury expert.

9. FIAP Congress

The DB members discuss and present their considerations related to the most recent Congress. It is decided that immediate modifications will be to limit simultaneous translation to FIAP official languages ; on the other hand, starting in 2022, 10 persons will be paid for by the Congress instead of the actual 14 persons. Due to meteo condition, the Congress in India will take place in the Rajasthan region at the beginning of November 2020.

10. FIAP Photomeeting

It is anticipated to give priority of inscription to persons with FIAP distinctions to Photomeeting.

11. Analysis of potential applications ESFIAP/ HonEFIAP

The application of Mr. Feng Lin Chen from Taiwan as ESFIAP, is suggested by David Tay and accepted at the unanimity by DB members.

12. Section «Photography by mobile phone»

It will be announced the creation of a new category « Mobile »; details will be published by the Director of Patronage starting January 2019.

13. Service Patronage

Regarding the translation of the website, after discussion it is decided that the website should be completed entirely before considering its translation.

14. Insurance coverage FIAP

Romain Nero has asked information to the insurance broker regarding an insurance covering the non-respect of the Law on Privacy and is waiting for his response.

15. Unesco

Riccardo Busi indicates it would be beneficial to have a representative in France who could regularly attend the meetings of NGO's and suggests to ask the President of the French Federation to represent FIAP to these meetings. We could immediately start with the launch of «children, our future» and attempt to get in contact with other NGO's than Unesco.

16. Digitalisation MFIAP archive

The issue of digitalization of the MFIAP paper archive should be solved in the years to come; we have paper archives in Montevarchi that date back to the 1970's, around 4000 photos to be scanned. This issue will be again discussed during the DB next meeting in May 2019.

17. Service Promotion and Partnership

David TAY presents the recent developments of the Huawei Award. A discussion starts relative to the manner in which price discounts could be passed on to FIAP members and how to find partnerships with photo brands or mobile phone brands. The Exhibition Centers will be asked to contribute ideas to the discussion.

18. Development of FIAP projects

Riccardo Busi is to prepare an Info regarding the project «Well-known people, unknown photographers» in order to spread the word as widely as possible. Finally, Riccardo Busi asks the DB members to send pictures of the Congress or other events in order to have them published on the website.

19. FIAP honorary titles

Freddy Van Gilbergen presents the following suggestions of honorary titles: friendship medal, merit medal (for one event) and honor medal (for several events still in progress). The first two ones will need a vote to the majority/ unanimity of the DB and would be attributed outside of the FIAP members, without application. Freddy Van Gilbergen will prepare the regulation for these honorary titles and submit it to the vote of the DB in May 2019.

Athens, November 12th 2018

Ioannis LYKOURIS

Write of the minutes