



## Minutes of EJA Board Meeting Lublin 2012-07-31

### 1 Opening of the Meeting

Ali opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

- **Meeting Participants**

The attendance list was circulated and everyone gave a short presentation of themselves.

- **Board Members attending and record of proxy votes**

The following voting attendees were present.

| Person           | Role          | Comment             |
|------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Fredrik Almgren  | EJA Secretary | XC                  |
| Ali Close        | EJA President | XC, Proxy for Jules |
| Daan Yperman     | EJA Treasurer | XC                  |
| Tobias Horstmann | EJC 2008 rep  | Proxy for Tassilo   |
| Philip Nicolai   | Rep DE        |                     |
| Guillermo Comde  | Rep ES        | New rep             |
| Staffan Ulfberg  | Rep SE        |                     |
| Marc Sutter      | Rep CH        | New rep             |
| Rinus Samyn      | Rep BE        | New rep             |
| Deniz Soyerslan  | Rep Turkey    |                     |
| Joanna Reczek    | EJC 2012 Rep  | New rep             |
| Mirek Urban      | Rep PL        |                     |
| Brian O'Connell  | Rep IE        | New rep             |
| Gora Kriztán     | Rep HU        |                     |
|                  |               |                     |

#### Stephen McGinley – proxied by Brian OConnell

- **Non-Voting Attendees**

The following non-voting attendees were present.

| Person           | Role                      | Comment                  |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Deirdre Toher    | EJA Workgroup coordinator |                          |
| Pascaline Serard | EJC 2013                  |                          |
| Japser Verbree   | Contact NL                | Proxy for Ferko (Rep NL) |

### 2 Approval of the agenda

Fredrik read out the agenda item and the meeting approved the agenda as proposed.



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### **3 Approval of Meeting Minutes from Meetings in Munich during EJC2011**

The minutes of the EJA meetings in Munich are published on the EJA website. They were approved by a raise of hands with no one voting against approval.

### **4 President's Report**

Ali reported about the EJA activities during 2011.

The loan for the Serbian summer flame convention has been repaid and the festival in Novi Sad has led to further activities in Serbia.

Work has been done on the IT system for a new web system and the new pre-reg system that will be used for the EJC 2013.

The first EUR 20 000 of the loan to EJC 2013 was paid out early 2012, remaining EUR 20 000 will be paid out later. The loan to the Lublin team has been raised.

Miark, the prereg coordinator, could not be present at this meeting but he sent thanks to all country reps who have assisted in prereg and the meeting thanked him for his efforts during the prereg work. Soon we start again for EJC 2013.

Some applications for loans have come in that could not be granted for different reasons. The XC has seen the need to publish an update loan policy to make sure the principles are well known to everyone.

Unfortunately, the IJDb has closed down. It was not possible to find anyone to take over the work of running the website. EJA wishes to thank Colin E for all the work he has put in over the years for the juggling community by running the site.

Fede, the Latin American contact, has sent a report on his work on LATAM which was read at the meeting.

The newsletter has not been distributed during the past year. The intention is to revive this during the next year. There is an idea of circulating the task of distributing the newsletter.

There was a question about how to support anyone taking an initiative to produce a replacement for IJDb. EJA is willing to support an initiative if approached.

### **5 Treasurer's Report**

Daan handed out the EJA 2011 financial statement that was circulated during the meeting. Daan went through the report. EJA opened 2011 with an opening balance of around EUR 120 000. As

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decided during last year's EJA board meeting, that is considered a loss and has been adjusted during 2011.

There are outstanding loans to outstanding loans. Daan went through the status of each one, both as per 2011-12-31 and the situation today.

EJC 2010 in Joensuu finish with a surplus of around EUR 100 and EJA told them to keep the full surplus.

As a total 2011 closed at a loss of around EUR 11000 and the EJA balance is thus around EUR 109 000.

There was a discussion on how to avoid the Greece situation going forward. One part of the solution is the new procedure of repaying the loan prior to EJC starting, thus avoiding the problem that the organizers do not finalize the statements and do not pay back the loan.

The financial report was unanimously with two abstentions.

## **6 Voting on which Festivals have the right to a Representative on the EJA Board**

The below was decided by the meeting 2012-07-31. Joensuu was excluded since they have not contacted EJA for this. They are free to contact EJA for next year

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Rep</b>       | <b>Comment</b>   |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| 2006        | Millstreet      | Stephen McGinley | Stephen McGinley |
| 2009        | Vitoria         | Alex Gonzales    | Alex Gonzales    |
| 2012        | Lublin          | Joanna Reczek    | Joanna Reczek    |
| 2014        | Millstreet      | Empty            | Empty            |

## **7 Voting on which Areas have a Country Representative**

The process was explained. There are several countries up for election. Some countries also failed their election last year.

### **7.1 Countries previously having country reps**

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| Country     | Rep                 | Comment             |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Austria     | Stefan Böhmborfer   | Stefan Böhmborfer   |
| Belgium     | Rinus Samyn         | Rinus Samyn         |
| Denmark     | Anton Kovyakh       | Anton Kovyakh       |
| France      | Dan-Tâm             | Dan-Tâm             |
| Ireland     | Brian Oconnell      | Brian Oconnell      |
| Italy       | Adolfo Rossomando   | Adolfo Rossomando   |
| Lithuania   | Vytautas Krasauskas | Vytautas Krasauskas |
| Slovenia    | Dejan Smolnikov     | Dejan Smolnikov     |
| Spain       | Guillermo           | Guillermo           |
| Switzerland | Marc Sutter         | Marc Sutter         |
| UK          | Aaron Trickett      | Aaron Trickett      |

### 7.2 Countries previously having country reps having failed election in 2011

| Country        | Rep  | Comment   |
|----------------|------|---|
| Czech Republic | None | Failed election. Yufi was previous rep                  |
| Finland        | None | Failed election. Veikko was previous rep.               |
| Greece         | None | Failed election. Panayiotis Argyrakis was previous rep. |
| Hungary        | None | Failed election. Gora was previous rep.                 |

### 7.3 Countries previously having country contacts

| Country   | Contact       | Rep  | Comment  |
|-----------|---------------|------|--|
| Romania   | Kiss Balazs   | None | Failed election 2010 and 2011. Granted new chance? |
| Ukraine   | Anna Morozova | None | Failed election 2010 and 2011. Granted new chance? |
| Slovakia  | Michel Busik  |      |  |
| Luxemburg | Daan Mackel   |      |  |
| Serbia    | Simone        |      |  |

## 8 Report from EJC 2008

Financials still closed. Local work is being done.

## 9 Report from EJC 2009

Alex gave a brief info about the current status.

Work on the photo book is being produced. After that EJC 2009 will be considered to be finally closed.

## 10 Report from EJC 2010

No one was present from EJC 2010 to do a report.

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## 11 Report from EJC 2011

Preliminary a surplus is generated but due to tax situations etc. final numbers are not yet known. There is also a lawsuit active. The final numbers are expected during fall 2013.

When organizing the EJC 2011 there was a problem with an initial hall that was under threat to fall down. Therefore venue was changed. Other problems is that when using a large hall such as the Olympic hall, the security plans are made for being able to evacuate large crowd but having 5000 people active in the hall is a different situation that is hard to understand.

Local juggling scene in Munich has become more active after the EJC. The EJA meeting voted that it was desired that a report from EJC 2011 was given on the general assembly.

## 12 Report from EJC 2012

## 13 Report from EJC 2013

Dan gave a report on the status of EJC 2013 organizing and other events they have done to prepare for next year. A presentation will be given at the Genral Assembly.

## 14 Report from EJC 2013

Millstreet site is booked. Dates are set to 19-28 of July. Core team is set. Plans are made.

## 15 Reports from the EJA Subgroups

This item was moved until tomorrow's meeting.

## 16 Introduction to the meeting of the new EJA Board

The next meeting is on Wednesday 2012-08-01 at 13:00, followed by a picnic.

## 17 Election of Secretary

Fredrik was re-elected as the secretary for EJA for a new three year term.

## 18 Appointment of Festival Advisors if needed

It was decided there was no need at this point to appoint festival advisors. Advisors are needed for Millstreet 2014 but will be appointed via dialogue with the organizing team.

## 19 Any other Business

There was some discussion about having a contact person for the traders. Tassilo made the proposal that the organisers shall take the discussion with the organizers more seriously.

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It was noted that there is no candidate for EJC 2015 this year and that the election of that will not take place at the general assembly this year. Instead, we will possibly elect organisers for both 2015 and 2016.

Daan announced that next year he will resign as treasurer even though that position is not up for election. Anyone interested in filling that position is welcomed to discuss with Daan.

## **20 Closing of the Meeting**

Ali thanked everyone for the attendance at the meeting.

Minutes taken by

Fredrik Almgren  
EJA Secretary

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