Minutes

Toscaireacht Meeting

1130pm – 130pm 22 September 2022

At

The Arts Council, 70 Merrion Square, Dublin 2

Present

Michael Holohan, Gerry Smyth, Anne Haverty, Cathy Carman, Vivienne Dick, Enda Wyley

Via zoom

Anne Tallentire, Grainne Mulvey, Theo Dorgan

Apologies Eamon Colman

Presentation on 'Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at the Arts Council' by Dr. Suha Shakkour, Head of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

The presentation was well received and discussed. It was asked if Suha had a copy of the Toscaireachts document *Advancing the Conversation Towards a Common End*. Suha had read this document and said she welcomed it. She said she looked forward to continuing the conversation with the Toscaireacht.

Minutes and Matters Arising

Anne Haverty proposed the minutes of 6 July meeting and Gerry Smyth seconded. No matters arising.

Discipline Ballot Vote

6 male candidates and 7 female candidates were successful. This means there are a total of 24 candidates for election at the Assembly. A total of 15 female candidates and 9 male.

General Assembly

An Update on UCD and Agenda was provided by the Registrar. The Registrar was asked to include on the Agenda acknowledgment of Eiléan Ní Chuilleanáin's election as Saoi. A Questionnaire was discussed for members. The Registrar was asked to circulate what this would consist of. This questionnaire would be open for members to complete or not. 6 out of the 9 Toscaireacht members at the meeting were not in favour of a Questionnaire. Suha was invited to attend the Assembly.

Publication

Michael Holohan had gathered edits to the draft of the publication. The Registrar asked all edits to be emailed after the meeting.

Induction for new members of the Toscaireacht

The discussions as the meeting were thought to be useful as an induction for new members of the Toscaireacht. At present there is no formal induction and this should be rectified.

The Statement of Values and any other motion planned for the General Assembly

The deadline for motions was 7 October. A meeting of the Toscaireacht will take place after the motions are all submitted and before the Assembly.

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