

Minutes

Toscaireacht Meeting

1pm – 230pm 7 March 2024

Present

Gerry Smyth, Anne Haverty, Cathy Carman, Vivienne Dick, Michael Holohan, Theo Dorgan Chair, Mary O Donnell, Vivienne Dick, Enda Wyley, Grainne Mulvey

Apologies

Anne Tallentire

Minutes and Matters arising

Minutes of 20 Feb and 27 Feb were not reviewed given time constraints and therefore will hold over until the next meeting.

Aosdana General Assembly Agenda

The General Assembly draft agenda was reviewed.

William Durham from the OPW will welcome the members and speak about the Castle. This can be a 10 minute slot. It was decided to start the Assembly at 1045 in order to have more time for the nomination speeches and to not run over.

Adjustments were made on the schedule and on the Motions.

It was thought that a short item on the Questionnaire could be introduced prior to the Motions.

At present there are 123 responses confirmed as attending. In light of this the Registrar will indicate to Dublin Castle for cabaret style seating.

It was noted that the Assembly will need to end at 5pm sharp as indicated by the Castle.

Questionnaire to Members

The Toscaireacht asked that this be sent to members as a PDF with all General Assembly papers so members have sight of it before the Assembly and can answer any questions on it. The Toscaireacht would draft a memo to accompany the Questionnaire and explain it to members. It would then issue directly after the Assembly.

Aosdána handbook

It was requested that the Draft Handbook be issued with GA papers. The Registrar suggested that she would have a copy of the Draft laid on each table at the GA.

AOB

A question re Toscaireacht expenses was raised. It was thought relevant to know the detail on this when issuing the call for new members for the Toscaireacht. The Registrar will look into this and include with the call for nominees.