

MINUTES OF THE CHS ALLIANCE AD HOC BOARD MEETING

23 July 2020

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

PRESENT:

Mohamed Almasri (MA), John Beverley (JB, treasurer), Allan Calma (AC), Matthew Carter (MC), Yegana Guliyeva (YG), Coleen Heemskerk (CH), Rehema Kajungu (RK), Jacqueline Koster (JK), Shama Mall (SM Vice Chair), Robert Sweatman (RS)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Tanya Wood (TW, Executive Director/ED), H  l  ne Maillet (HM, minutes only)

APOLOGIES:

Anne Cathrine Seland (ACS), Marina Skuric Prodanovic (MSP), Thea Hilhorst (TH),

1. Apologies, welcome, declarations of interest and agenda

Apologies **were noted**. JB chaired the meeting. The meeting was **quorate**. There was no declaration of interest.

The **agenda was approved by consensus**.

2. Process on Chair succession

RS reminded Board members on the statutes' provisions about election of the Chair. A discussion paper circulated prior to the meeting was summarised with highlights on the pros and cons of having a membership vs. Independent chair.

The Board reached a consensus on the following:

- the Chair of the Board should be independent of membership
- This will require a revision of the Statutes
- the exact process will need to be clearly defined.

Action:

- *Details for actioning the above will be developed by the Secretariat.*

3. Agreement on acting chair

The Board considered the interim chair position. The Statutes provides for the Vice-chair assuming this responsibility. However, the current Vice-chair is not in a position to assume these responsibilities due to current workload, exasperated by the COVID situation.

As the Statutes are silent on this situation, the Board's interpretation is that the Board should inform the GA about the interim chair arrangements pending the appointment of a new chair.

Proposal to the Board: JB recommends that Robert Sweatman is the acting chair in the interim period up to the appointment of a new Chair.

The proposal was unanimously voted in favour.

Action:

- The GA will be informed by the Secretariat about the decision on the interim chair.

End of the meeting



John Beverley, Board member (chairing the meeting)



Matthew Carter, member of the Board



H el ene Maillet, minutes' taker