

IAU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES 108
XXXIst GA Busan, BEXCO, Room 321, Exhibition Center II
August 1, 2022 - Agenda

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| Monica Rubio (Chile) | - Div. H |
| Kim-Vy Tran (USA, virtual) | - Div. J |

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Monday, August 1, 14:00-16:00 Korean time

1. Welcome by the President – DE
2. Approval of the Agenda – DE
3. Approval of EC107 minutes – DE

Agenda approved.

EC107 Minutes updates:

EvD: remove the confidential financial matters portion before posting on line and add the fundraising point. Symposia statistics should be sent to Women in Astronomy for future.

TL: add a comment on point 8.3: “As discussed with NASL about the possibility to have a partime OYA Secretary at NASL, the current GS should continue these negotiations.”

TL: edit on point 15.1: “listed several mistakes in the final document sent to the NMs, these errors should be corrected”

TL already forwarded to the GS the document with the mistakes highlighted and commented. She mentioned her surprise in not being involved in the preparation of the document.

4. Updates on GA – HK, DE

HK: Reviewed the status of the registered participants and other details concerning the virtual sessions.

Discussion about the participation at the conference dinner and its high cost.

5. Membership matters

- bouncing emails – 214 bouncing
 - 290 new Individual Members and 222 new Junior Members, who were formally accepted into the Union (proposed by 55 NMs and 4 Divisions)
 - TOTAL - 12,584- Inactive Members after 3+ years = 12,477, of whom 1087 are Junior Members
 - 26 JMs became IMs
- Comments on clearer criteria from NCAs regarding NCA vs MC disagreements
- New gender possible options presented by the WGEI and approved for new membership applications, to be kept confidential and not passed along to NCAs.

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6. Division President Matters

- Working on contacting all on missing content webpages (in progress)
- Divisions D, G & H – missing annual reports (6 received – 3 missing)
- 13 missing Commission reports – annual (25 received)
- 16 WG reports annual missing (30 received)

Funding external pages:

- COMMISSIONS: C4 funding (less than 300 euros for 5 years invoice)
 - o The web page of C.C4 itself:
- <https://www3.astronomicalheritage.org/>
 - o and the "Portal to the Heritage of Astronomy":
- <https://www3.astronomicalheritage.net/index.php/heritage/places-connected-to-the-sky>
- WGs: Equity and Inclusion request (external webserver – 12 subgroups etc.) / Star Names request – external webserver

7. Offices

DE - OAO to have 2022 JWST NameExoworlds contest to celebrate its 10 year anniversary

-OAD – deputy directory of OAD is Vanessa Mc Bride; high level meeting in Busan

-OAE – upcoming meeting in the fall to renew the agreement for education workshops

-OYA – unspent OYA money used for grants at GA

-I-HOW workshop selection: Chile, Iran and South Africa (co-sponsored with COSPAR),
APPROVED

-DE – WGEI money approved to participate in the South Korean hackathon on gender equity using space technology with Space Generation Advisory Council (a UN observer on COPUOS).

8. External Organizations – WB, DE

9. Scientific meetings

9.1. Regional Meetings

-Regional Meetings confirmed: Egypt 2022, Japan and Uruguay in 2023

9.2. Symposia 2023 and 2024

- DW symposia 2023 in development, one announcement for 2024

10. Financial matters

10.1 Accounts and Budget update

-DW – the NMs are going to ask for the 2021 Financial Report, it is necessary vote today. We

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need to emphasize points such as the fundraising issue and fix a few numbers, nothing major.
-TL – the numbers should not change much from the version the NMs already approved.

EVD – clarification: budget presented at the GA had slightly different numbers from a year prior, it was corrected 2019 /2020. One version approved by EC and one slightly changed and approved by NMs and then the EC slightly updated the version and updated it and accepted it.

TL –income zero is incorrect in figure 7 of 2021 Financial Report.

ACTION: correct graphic 7 and expanded note on the fundraising

2021 Financial Report **VOTED** and **APPROVED**

-WB & JW – **SUGGESTION** to have numbers and better filing system for the future to be clear about which versions we are using.

10.2. Fundraising status

EVD – fundraising overview – goal of three 6-figure donations was achieved by fundraiser.

DE – taking over more fundraising soon, trying to identify a North American fundraiser, working with AUI Tim Spuck (NA-ROADS).

11. EC108-2 GA 2027 selection procedure

DE: Saturday, August 6th presentations and selection of IAU GA 2027 host

12. EC 109, April 2023

RD: the next EC109 will take place in Washington DC on April 24-28; DPs are invited