



# Life Section Board Zoom-meeting

March 4th 2022, 07:00 (EDT) / 13:00 (Paris)

<b>Present:</b>	Thomas Behar	Chair
	Pedro Pacheco Villagrán	Vice-Chair
	Bill Sayre	Treasurer
	Rosalind Rossouw	Secretary
	Ana Bojanic	Board Member
	Séverine Arnold	Board Member
	Ernst Visser	Board Member
	David Kirk	Board Member
	Takuro Sorihashi	Board Member
	Christian Levac	IAA Director
	Juan Laverde	IAA Section Coordinator
	Stuart Wason	IAA Delegate
	Jeremy Brown	IAA Delegate
	[Quorum achieved]	
<b>Apologies:</b>	Fred Rowley	Board Member
	Martin Oymanns	Board Member

## 0. Agenda of the meeting

Thomas opened the meeting. The draft meeting Agenda was circulated via e-mail by Rosalind prior to the meeting. Thomas welcomed Takuro to the Board. Takuro introduced himself to the group briefly.

## 1. Minutes of last Board meeting

Rosalind circulated the minutes of the February Board meeting via e-mail, and these were approved subject to two changes circulated via e-mail.

- Pedro confirmed the Actuaires du Monde seminar would not be able to be free to members due to an operational issue, and Thomas reminded the Board that it is very affordable.
- Stuart confirmed Alberto's resignation from the Board.



The Board discussed the upcoming AGM briefly.

## **2. Webinars**

Pedro gave an update on the Actuaire du Monde seminar in Macedonia. The panel is strong and the session looks to be a good virtual session. topic of interest was financial inclusion. Pedro asked Bill to confirm the payment from the IAALS for the agreed sponsorship. Bill circulated confirmation of this to Pedro during the meeting.

## **3. Organization of seminars and colloquia update**

### **• Convention A**

Ernst has reached out to one potential speaker and will continue to look to secure more speakers. Ernst reminded the Board to please suggest potential speakers.

### **• 2022 Colloquium Hong Kong**

Bill provided an update. The draft program was circulated and looks to be robust. There remain concerns surrounding the pandemic in Hong Kong, and a decision whether to make the entire colloquium virtual might be considered, alongside the existing possibility of a hybrid event. The hotel reservation was secured until April 20<sup>th</sup> and there will be planning meetings to agree the best way forward. Registration will be opening soon.

### **• 2023 Congress Sydney**

Thomas reminded the Board that there was one month left to submit an abstract for the ICA 2023 Congress. Christian also ask the Board to share the call for abstracts with colleagues and peers. Christian asked the Board whether we would consider contributing to the Congress Bursary scheme.

## **4. Scientific & Research committee update**

Séverine had circulated an update to the Board via e-mail. Herself and Fred were very happy with the answers to the questions they had raised and confirmed that she would write to the individuals who have been awarded the research grant sponsorship. As a reminder the sponsorship will be in two installments. Séverine will also write to the runners-up to let them know they have not been successful. Christian took an action to co-ordinate whether the



individuals need to sign an agreement before receiving their sponsorship payment.

Thomas proposed that as Séverine's Board service tenure is concluding that she can continue her service to the Life Section by leading a Research Committee that would report to the Board. Jerry and Stuart expressed their support for this proposal. Thomas suggested that Terms of Reference for a Research Committee. Christian suggested sharing ASTIN's Research Committee Terms of Reference as a template.

**5. Any other business**

Christian presented a proposal for an online community. The online community tool would utilize the system that was already pre-built within our association management software. Christian talked through a demonstration of the tool, the various functionality and the associated cost. The Board agreed to form a small group to present a proposal to the Board on whether they believe the online community tool should be adopted. David, Rosalind, Ana and Bill took an action to do this. Initial responses from the Board were very positive in response.

Thomas closed the meeting and thanked everyone for their participation.

**Actions from March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting**

<b>1</b>	Circulate the AGM items on Monday	Christian	Closed
<b>2</b>	Contact the webinar speakers for the webinar on the 3rd of May and see whether they could instead present on the 6th of May to coincide with the AGM	Pedro	
<b>3</b>	Co-ordinate with Bill re Actuaries du Monde payment	Pedro	Closed
<b>4</b>	Confirm what the other sections have done for signing a research grant agreement before finalising research grant payments	Christian	
<b>5</b>	Séverine to notify the successful research grant candidates	Séverine	Closed
<b>6</b>	Notify the unsuccessful research grant candidates	Séverine	Closed
<b>7</b>	Review the Terms of Reference for the ASTIN Research Group and draft a similar terms of Reference for the proposed Life Section Research Group	Thomas and Severine	



**8** Consider the online community proposal and report to the Board at the next meeting

Bill, Ana,  
David and  
Rosalind

Closed