

EB minutes

20th April 2022, 8pm CEST

Present: Christelle, Flavia, Juuso, Knut, Gergana, Antonio, Robin, Helena,

Excused: Milosh

Minutes: Christelle and Helena

1. Adoption of draft agenda
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3. Spring Federal Committee debriefing
4. Strasbourg Summit
5. Strasbourg EB Meeting
6. Online Congress
7. [YouLead Africa Summit](#)
8. Federalist Academy update
9. AOB
 - a. Adoption of communication strategy
 - b. Democracy under Pressure feedback
 - c. Next Chapter Europe reimbursement vaccination status
 - d. JEF Bulgaria & Strasbourg summit

1. Adoption of draft agenda	Decision: Adopted
2. Adoption of draft minutes (EB 06/04)	Decision: Adopted
3. Spring Federal Committee debriefing	<p>Good overall! It was good to have a physical meeting again and to see everyone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">+ Good accomodation, good food and nice vegetarian options.+ Great venue for Saturday.+ On time throughout the weekend+ 50y anniversary celebrations were very well done, great preparation by Gergana and Knut.+ Democracy under Pressure awards went very well.+ The Ukraine moment was the right tone, it was very good to hear from the members on their actions.+ The moving debate was very good. Great initiative to engage members beyond 'informal' socials.+ The city tour was great. Congratulations to Guillaume for his excellent preparation. Something to

	<p>be encouraged for hosting sections.</p> <p>For next time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training on amendment platform (Presidium + PC¹) - Better check of IT on spot - More time for PC meetings; more public awareness about political resolutions (e.g. factsheets -to be sent with the infokit for FC² participants); webinars could be organised; more accessible format during PC's work presentations (first evening); 'surveys' on Facebook groups for specific parts of the resolutions (as a 'moving debate'). - Energisers on spot, more breaks on the agenda, including to go out not just for coffee - Sign up for PC and TF³ meetings in advance to match rooms better according to attendees - Better preparation (deadlines, TF meetings' content, presidium preparations) - Group picture (to be put in the agenda) - More coordination in advance (including planning of when we are meeting with whom, when we will meet as EB...). - More feedback moments with members during the FC. - Again, have room for sections to share apart from sections' updates - Clearer explanation (and follow-up) for the gender watch. Better preparation and training for its 'use'. Debate on whether it could be applied to smaller groups (TF/PCs/other workshops, if any). <p>Decision: A big thank you to the Secretariat, in particular Lorène, and JEF Luxembourg!</p> <p>EB to debrief the FC with the chairs of the PCs and TFs they are contact persons for</p>
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¹ Political Commissions

² Federal Committee

³ Taskforces

	<p>as well as the Presidium. We'll discuss the next fact following this feedback in Strasbourg at the long EB meeting.</p>
<p>4. Strasbourg Summit</p>	<p>JEF program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friday evening (18:30-20:30h): Ukraine panel with Alda, followed by a Charity concert with Ukraine) - Saturday morning: Next Chapter Europe Event and panel for Civil Society representatives - Saturday afternoon (16-18h): March - Saturday evening (20h): 50y celebration on Saturday evening <p>Decision: -</p>
<p>5. Strasbourg EB Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agenda and travelling times to be further discussed and clarified. - The EB meeting would possibly start Friday morning (leave afternoon for Solidarity with Ukraine moment); then continue on Sunday (less events planned). - Still unclear when Judit will be able to attend. Milosh will be attending the Plenary session on Monday <p>Agenda points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PC structure/organisation discussion - Priorities for the second half of the year - Campaigns brainstorming and possible calendar (for example, from resolutions' input) - Brainstorming on Democracy campaign (summer 2022) - Action Plan - Partnerships (could also be done online, once priorities have been defined -it requires preparation in advance) - Calendar/planning to discuss and gather input - Working with our new SG: brainstorming on how to effectively work together (and with the Secretariat). - Reflection (collective & individual) - Network and sections' updates could be saved for a future meeting.

	<p>Decision: Creation of a draft document for the agenda and deciding on the times</p>
<p>6. Online Congress</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updated distribution of delegates per section; - Required vote on the annual accounts + budget; specify that this will be the only point on the agenda. - Tell the sections that it's very important to reach the quorum even if it's "only" a vote on annual financial obligations, because required by Belgian law as presented during the Liège Congress and the vote on the new statutes; - Include proxy form; - Online voting procedure to be well explained so that they understand when and how to vote (e.g. preparatory online meeting). - Include new statutes and rules of procedure (available on the member's area) - Set up the online meeting where people can have support if needed, raise questions etc (not compulsory to attend) <p>Decision: Date and time will be communicated 8 weeks in advance. Voting will last for a concrete amount of time.</p>
<p>7. YouLead Africa Summit</p>	<p>Annual summit organised by the YouLead Africa organisation and which takes place in November.</p> <p>Lots of different NGOs working on Africa-EU, some of them we met already. The Africa summit might be the best event to attend.</p> <p>Ideally, JEF should work on gathering people from Europe to participate in the Summit.</p> <p>Look for policy resolutions and political advocacy already within JEF's advocacy.</p> <p>Keep a critical mindset from our side, but throughout the partnership development and actions to be taken.</p>

	<p>Get more information on topic priorities Get critical voices from Africa</p> <p>More clarification on logistics to be received (budget, dates, etc.) for further decision.</p> <p>Decision: Positive feedback on the participation and JEF's work continuation on Africa-EU relations. Decision to be taken once we have the precise date and more logistical information.</p>
<p>8. Federalist Academy update</p>	<p>More than 100 registration, high turnout to the first two sessions. Interest in recordings too.</p> <p>About half JEFers, well distributed in terms of gender and countries. A lot of non-JEFers interested in joining the academy and JEF as well .</p> <p>Decision: n/a</p>
<p>9. AOB</p>	<p>a. Adoption of communication strategy Decision: Positive feedback from the board. Adoption by Sunday evening by email.</p> <p>b. Democracy under Pressure (DuP) feedback</p> <p>Decision: EB contact person to gather feedback from sections and share it with Christelle, Flavia and Knut who will have a dedicated evaluation meeting to be ready for next year.</p> <p>c. Next Chapter Europe reimbursement without vaccination Vaccination for Next Chapter Europe required, a person registered was not vaccinated so could not participate and therefore could not get reimbursed. Decision: check communication on Next chapter Europe to decide on reimbursement of this registered person.</p> <p>d. JEF Bulgaria & Strasbourg summit For the Strasbourg Summit, discussion on different routes, offer the possibility for every partner to join.</p>

	Decision: For the Strasbourg summit of Next Chapter Europe JEF Bulgaria to be included in the project, on our own funds if needed.
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The EB meeting closes at 22:42 pm CEST.