

EB minutes

22 February 2024, 7:30 pm CET

Present: Xesc, Christelle, Hanna, Nikos, Martin, Judit, Alexiane

Excused: Aléxandros, Kati

Minutes: Hanna (review Alexiane)

Agenda

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Adoption of the draft minutes ([08/02](#))
3. Secretariat Update
4. Advocacy Update
5. Feedback on EB/FC meeting and next steps
6. To do list
7. Bank of ideas
8. Democracy under Pressure
9. Section update
10. EurHope
11. Next EB and FC agenda
12. Jour fixe
13. AOB
 - a. Young activist summit nomination
 - b. Federalist academy

Minutes

1. Adoption of draft agenda	Decision: Adopted
2. Adoption of the draft minutes (08/02)	Decision: Postponed
3. Secretariat Update <p>The contract of Zita has been extended for two more months.</p> <p>The Membership officer might start her contract in March. The aim is for her to start before the Federal Committee (FC).</p> <p>After a rigorous review of applications for the Secretary General (SG), selected candidates were requested to provide a written task.</p> <p>Judit organised for the Secretariat a wellbeing at work training on 28/02 with an external trainer. Both Judit and Christelle will take part.</p>	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- EB to read tasks received on Friday by Sunday to select people to interview for SG

<p>With regards to the communication intern some competent applications were received. Judit and Kati have picked out candidates to interview next week.</p>	
<p>4. Advocacy Update</p> <p>Christelle:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Held a speech at the vernissage of Lorenzo Epis' art exposition in the European Parliament that was hosted by Brando Benifei. Xesc also attended. - Met with the secretary general of the European greens with Judit and Make.org to discuss EurHope. - Met with MEP Valérie Hayer, president of Renew, online to discuss EurHope - Recorded a podcast in French for Cosmoclub/VoxEurop. - Had lunch with Hayer's parliamentary assistant. - Met with the parliamentary assistant of the Vice President of the European Parliament Marc Angel to prepare the EurHope event. - Met with University of Coimbra with Hanna and the debate club of Tartu with Kati to discuss a EurHope event there. - Attended UEF's board meeting. <p>Xesc</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Had lunch with the president of the Slovenian Youth Council (12/02) -Spoke at the MEET event by ESN in Ghent (12/02) <p>Martin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Attended several Ukraine meetings -Took part in a debate on European federalism organised by "Yes, Bulgaria!" ahead of their National Conference where they'll choose an EP group. -Followed a rule of law panel by the Anti-Corruption Fund with support from the embassies of Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland 	<p>Decision: -</p>
<p>5. Feedback on EB/FC meeting and next steps</p>	<p>Decision: Postponed</p>
<p>6. To do list</p> <p>EB goes over the list of tasks.</p>	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB members will update the proxy overview document

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB members will update the deadlines for all their tasks. - EB will check in with their projects' officer. EB members are requested to provide an update on sections.
<p>7. Bank of ideas <i>Brainstorm internal communication</i> The EB discussed how to communicate with not only national sections, but also volunteers from local sections while respecting subsidiarity through direct and community functions to centralise information. Nikos will have a brainstorming communication call with Erica on the last week of February.</p>	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Through coordination with the communication Taskforce, and Erica, the EB approves the creation of a whatsapp community to clarify the function of the already existing chats and to coordinate communication better. The objective is to create it by the FC in Tartu.
<p>8. Section update The EB discussed the state of play of sections.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -
<p>9. DuP A Democracy under Pressure event is organised in Warsaw. An online meeting about Belarusian language was organised. In order to give visibility to the campaign, the New Federalists will cover the events related to the campaign. The Democracy under Pressure's launch event will take place on the 18th of March. There are discussions with a Polish MEP to take part or contribute to the campaign. There are also discussions with current JEF's partners to share widely the campaign's content.</p>	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -
<p>10. EurHope The website's launch is a bit delayed and will be postponed to the 13th of March. What is currently important is the one pagers' translation, first via an automatic one, then proofread by native speakers.</p>	

<p>In March, Christelle will present EurHope to an event organised specifically by one of the Vice-Presidents from the European Parliament.</p> <p>There is a meeting of the committee of regions focused on democracy from the 18th to the 19th of March, in Mons (Belgium). EuroHope will be promoted there.</p>	
<p>11. Next EB and FC agenda Christelle will write the proposed FC agenda.</p> <p>12. Jour fixe Xesc and Nikos are preparing the alumni drink in Brussels.</p>	
<p>13. AOB</p> <p>a. Young activist summit nomination Discussion of who to nominate for this summit and the Vaclav Havel prize.</p> <p>b. Federalist academy Xesc is planning the Jean Monet house event (European horse of memories / federalist academy).</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Martin will nominate Margo from the Belarusian youth council for the young activist summit nomination.</i>

The EB meeting closes at 22:00 CET.