

EB minutes

17 April 2025, 18:00 CEST

Present: Christelle, Xesc, Brigita, Aléxandros, Kati, Nikos

Excused: Alexiane

Minutes: Kati (review Xesc)

Agenda

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. FC debrief (Presidium invited)
3. Adoption of the draft minutes (20/03, 03/04)
4. Secretariat and Funding Update
5. Temporary reallocation of Martin's portfolio
6. Long EB meeting agenda and logistics
7. Advocacy Update
8. To do list
9. Section update
10. AOB
 - a. YFJ GA Motion

Minutes

1. Adoption of draft agenda	Decision: <i>Adopted but decided that we do FC debrief once the FC presidium arrives.</i>
2. FC debrief (Presidium invited) The EB did a quick round of how the FC went. After the EB debriefed with the FC presidium on how the meeting went and what to improve in the future.	
3. Adoption of the draft minutes (20/03, 03/04)	Decision: - Both adopted.

4. Secretariat and Funding Update

Christelle met with the Secretary General of UEF¹ to see how, if UEF gets the CERV² operating grant, they could help our activities. Ilaria confirmed JEF Europe is included in the application and the willingness of UEF to help JEF and its sections.

Christelle and Brigita met with Joe Elborn from the Evens Foundation.

Follow-up FC (minutes, resolutions, 4y strategy)

Upcoming activities 2025 (operating grant activities and projects)

Congress

Work a lot. Finding invoices and understanding taxes for the audit.

A lot of work on projects.

This week and next week are short weeks due to holidays.

Work plan and study session proposals have been submitted to EYF³. Additional questions on the work

Decision:

- **Christelle will contact the President and Treasurer of UEF when/if UEF gets the CERV operating grant to discuss their potential support in detail;**
- **Brigita will answer JEF Strasbourg on the congress.**

¹ Union of European Federalists.

² Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values program.

³ European Youth Foundation.

<p>plan, which is a good sign. Answers in the summer.</p> <p>Informed we are leaving the summer. Exit interview with the landlord.</p> <p>Office lost electricity due to renovation in the next door office.</p> <p>Plan for looking for a new office? Will start looking in May and consult Judit on how last we looked for one last time.</p>	
<p>5. Temporary reallocation of Martin's portfolio</p> <p>The EB discusses the temporary redistribution of portfolios after the resignation of Martin Penov as Vice President.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <p><i>The following portfolios are reassigned temporarily until the co-optation of a new EB member.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Networks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EaP⁴ Civil Society Forum -> Alexiane - Fundamental Rights Agency -> Alexiane - YFJ⁵ - Civic space -> Kati - Backup UEF -> Nikos - Campaigns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DuP⁶ -> Kati - EUkraine -> Kati - Policy areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EaP -> Alexiane - Rule of Law -> Alexiane - Security and Defense -> Kati - Youth Policy -> Xesc

⁴ Eastern Partnership.

⁵ European Youth Forum.

⁶ Democracy under Pressure.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Albania - > Alexiane - Belarus -> Alexiane - Moldova - > Christelle - Romania -> Aléxandros - Russia -> Alexiane - Ukraine -> Kati - JEF network responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IO⁷ Evening -> Alexiane - TF Communications -> Nikos - TNF⁸ -> Hanna
<p>6. Long EB meeting agenda and logistics</p> <p>The EB discussed and went through the draft agenda. The EB also discussed their travel schedules.</p>	
<p>7. Advocacy Update</p> <p>Christelle met with Commissioner Albuquerque to present EurHope, discuss the European Deposit Insurance scheme, non formal education and the youth policy dialogues.</p> <p>Her cabinet member Alice suggested JEF helps with the future youth consultation, Christelle will follow up with her.</p> <p>Christelle was invited to Euronews' show 'Brussels, my love' (French</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The EB will communicate about the EMI-promoted Europe Day demonstration and those able to attend in Brussels;</i> - <i>The EB will see if sections are interested in working on the ECI at the upcoming TF Advocacy meeting.</i>

⁷ International Officer.

⁸ The New Federalist.

version), video available [here](#). The show is broadcasted Saturday and Sunday every 2h from 6am CEST.

Christelle also:

- spoke at the Eyes on Europe conference on enlargement
- was the guest speaker of Rendez-vous mit Europa of UEF Saar (saw Jo Leinen there!)
- attended the UEF board meeting
- met with EU&U to discuss their manifesto and how they can help us lift our demands

Xesc attended:

- 25th anniversary of l'Europe par les Jeunes (E@S⁹ - JEF France) in Paris (4/4);
- JEF France's GA in Paris (5/4);
- Advisory Council on Youth / Joint Council on Youth meeting in Budapest (7-9/4);
- Quarterly Coordination Meeting with the YFJ (15/4);
- Call with EU&U about collaboration on event in JEF office (16/4).

Kati

- Attended European Youth Capital opening in Lviv, Ukraine

⁹ Europe at School.

<p>Common advocacy avenues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Movement is organising a demonstration in Brussels in May for Europe day - European Citizen Initiative (ECI) about electoral law, Lefteris-Foivos (JEF Greece) reached out to Christelle to suggest for JEF Europe to organise an ECI. The EB debates the topic and the potential engagement and interest, possibility to use it to raise awareness also about current proposal from the European Parliament - 75y of first foundation x Congress 	
<p>8. To do list The EB goes over their to-do lists.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB will answer TNF interview.
<p>9. Section update JEF UK changed its structure and JEF Europe will no longer be a shareholder, now JEF UK members will be its shareholders.</p>	<p>Decision:</p>
<p>10. AOB</p> <p>a. YFJ enlargement motion Cyprus NYC¹⁰ concerned about removing vetoes due to the concern about Turkey joining and not respecting their territorial integrity.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Xesc will engage with the NYC from Cyprus to find a compromise wording while keeping the condemnation of vetoes.

¹⁰ National Youth Council.

The EB meeting closes at 20:00 CEST.