

Date: 8 June 2019, Saturday

Venue: Vine and Branches, Lower Plenty, Victoria

Start of the meeting: 18:00

Attendance: see attached signature sheet

Márta Makkai, Lisy Tóth, Times Kovács , Hevér Szabó Beatrix, Ágnes Körlaki, Ágnes Szabó, Mária....., Krisztina, Mónika Szabó, Réka Péterffy, Emőke Harasta, Zsuzsi Abonyi, Lori Thomson, Ágnes Farkas, Csilla Klcsi, Katalin Ilosvay- Egyed, Gyöngyi Bartha, Ilona Fekete, Gyöngyi Horváth, Margit Major.....

Apologies: Gabriella Stefanovits, Marika Szabó, Frank Budai, Anna Vidátsy

1. President's welcome

2. **Last year's minutes of meeting** was accepted by the members, moved by Gyöngyi Bartha, and seconded by Ráka Péterffy

3. President's report

Marta Makkai, President presented the report, that was accepted, moved by Margit Major, and seconded by Betti Hevér-Szabó

4. President's suggested to give **recommendations for this year's Diaspora Council**, that would benefit AMPE:

Regarding the choice procedure of KCSP scholarship receivers:

- One week decision time for organisations to answer after the notification if they accept the scholarship receiver / suggested by Timea Kovacs
- AMPE should be the receiving body for community school teachers, so AMPE could advocate if the candidate is not suitable for that role / emphasized by Marta Makkai, since this one was suggested last year's AGM already
- Scholarship should coincide with the Australian school year: start from February, and not from June / suggested by Emoke Harasta
- Scholarship length should be same – 9 months - as on the northern hemisphere / suggested by Katalin Ilosvay-Egyed

Further suggestions:

- Textbook should be prepared for student from kindy to final exam / suggested by Csilla Kicsi
- Further Professional Development with Tamas Remenyi, in each state as a round trip / all strongly agreed
- Further Invitations of literary and musical performers with a wide range of audience – adults and children as well / all strongly agreed

5. Financial Report

Presented by Gyongyi Bartha, Treasurer. AMPE is in a healthy financial condition, thanks to the Hungarian government's grant, as well as rising membership numbers.

The financial report was accepted, moved by Emoke Harasta, and seconded by Zsuzsi Abonyi.

6. President suggested to discuss the **"Pedagogus Díj"(Teacher's Award)**, which idea was raised yesterday. The President suggested that the award would be presented for milestones in a teacher's

career / teaching for 5, 10, 25 years, as a recognition of efforts and commitment. To record the number of years of teaching in a Hungarian school – teaching can be interrupted and calculation based on all active years - , the annual school survey will ask each school to share this information about the teachers. The question of active year of teaching in a Hungarian school in Australia will be added to the Annual school survey. Keeping these records up-to-date is the responsibility of the secretary. All agreed.

7. President's call for **next year's conference** location: Marta Makkai suggested Perth, and all agreed about that. After consideration – June school holiday, September school holiday -, the ANZAC day weekend (25-26 April, 2020) seemed the best for the time of the conference. All agreed about this choice.

President asked for possible topics for the conference:

- Drama pedagogy
- Beszédművelés
- Mental wellbeing for teachers
- Time management for teachers
- Avoiding burnout
- Communication training

8. **Election of Executive Committee and Coordinators**

Honorary member, Katalin Ilosvay Egyed is the adjudicator of the election. Timea Kovacs, secretary received the nomination paper by 2pm before the annual general meeting, and counted the nominations. Katalin Ilosvay-Egyed is presenting the nominated AMPE members for each position.

President's position: Marta Makkai, Lisy Toth and Agnes Farkas were nominated.

Marta Makkai did not accept the nomination, neither Agnes Farkas. Lisy Toth accepted the nomination.

Suggestion by Ilona Fekete: maximize the length of presidency / how many times be someone re- elected as a president. This constitutional change would be voted for after the end of the AGM.

Vice president's position:

Gyöngyi Bartha, Lisy Tóth and Agnes Farkas were nominated. Agnes Farkas accepted the nomination.

Secretary's position:

Emőke Harasta, Lisy Tóth, Ilona fekete, Ágnes Farkas, Timea Kovács and Márta Makka were nominated. Ilona Fekete accepted the nomination

Treasurer's position:

Gyongyi Bartha, Mónika Szabó, Timea Kovács were nominated. Gyongyi Bartha accepted nomination

Grant coordinator:

nomination in absence for Budai Frank, Zoltán Gedey and Katalin Nemeth; Betti H-Szabó , Emőke Harasta, Lisy Toth were nominated. Budai Frank, Katalin Nemeth accepted nominations in advance. AGM agreed.

Timea Kovacs suggested that the two grant coordinator can share the workload by one of them following the available Hungarian grants, and the other one the available Australian grants. That idea would be presented to the grant coordinators.

Exam coordinator:

Ágnes Körlaki and Ágnes Szabó were nominated. Ágnes Szabó accepted the nomination.

Committee members (2 or 3) nominations:

Nominated in absence: Anna Gábor, Csilla Peredi-B., Marika Szabó

Csilla Kicsi, Márta Makkai, Ilus Fekete, Beatrix Hevér-Szabó, Réka Péterfi, Emőke Harasta, Lisy Tóth were nominated.

Márta Makkai, Csilla Kicsi accepted the nominations, Peredi- B Csilla accepted in advance.

Katalin Ilosvay suggested to accept all three committee members. All members agreed.

Members of the new executive committee:

President : Lisy Tóth (VIC)

Vice-President: Ágnes Farkas (WA)

Secretary: Ilona Fekete (QLD)

Treasurer: Gyöngyi Bartha (VIC)

Grant coordinator: Frank Budai (NSW), Kata Németh (WA)

Exam coordinator: Ágnes Szabó (SA)

Committee members: Márta Makkai (VIC)

Peredi-B. Csilla (?)

Csilla Kicsi (NSW – Oceania)

9. New president's welcome and introductory talk
10. Vote about change of rules for the AMPE's constitution, that were raised during the meeting:
 - A) limit presidency for 5 years maximum.
All present agreed.
 - B) nomination forms should be signed by the nominated in advance to save time during the AGM
All present agreed.

Meeting closed: 19:40