FIMEM Assembly: first part

August 29th, 2020

08:00 AM Montevideo- Uruguay

06:00 AM Mexico City

07: 00 AM Canada

12:00 Cameroon

13:00 Central Europe.

Present 12 French language movements, 58 Spanish language movements, 3 German language movements... in total 29 movements and 33 delegates?

The movements applying for membership to the FIMEM are not present : Ghana and Congo.

Election of the persons in charge of the technical management of the VGA

President Lulu Muller

Moderator Gabriela Varaldi

Juan Férnandez and Pilar Fontevedra take notes for the minutes and in the second part Anna D'Auria and Giancarlo Cavinato.

Asma controls the times

Marisa from MMEM gives the floor

Translators: Ricardo, Tere, Andrea

Votes : Lanfranco and Toyo

After the greetings of the President of the FIMEM, who appreciates the cooperative work to arrive at this General Assembly. She declared the meeting open.

Lanfranco of the Board of Directors explained the agenda and the rules of operation of this assembly, elaborated with the commission Virtual General Assembly.

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For the Board of Directors, Sylviane Amiet answered that it is the Board of Directors that decides who will present them. That some motions have been included and that others will be included if time permits.

Anna from ERM asked to include the motion from the network of delegates, she could not understand why it was not considered important.

The MCEP asked why the motion on the "Maestro Benaiges" scholarship was not on the agenda, the Board answered that it had not received the summaries it had requested in time and Marco Esteban from MMEM said that all the motions proposed by the Spanish, Italian and Portuguese language group movements had been transmitted and asked the Board to have the necessary sensitivity to include the motions.

Tere Garduño asked for the floor to protest against the non-incorporation of the motions, because all this discussion and time would have been avoided if the proposals sent had been taken into account and if the delegates of the movements had been heard.

The president of the Board apologizes for the very difficult situation in which this assembly must be held.

Hortensia of the MEPA intervenes to ask that the motion on the Benaiges scholarship be admitted and that the MCEP explains the situation on this subject.

Lanfranco asks that the members of the Board have not to constantly ask for the floor because we are in assembly and it is time for the delegates and the guests of the movements.

Giancarlo expresses his dissatisfaction with the way this assembly starts.

Lulu Müler (president of the GA) asks for a vote about the functioning of this assembly.

A vote on the legitimacy of the assembly took place:

Abstentions 1

Against 2

In favour 24

The President of the General Assembly then asked to move on to the next item on the agenda.

Item 3: ICEM Motion on How to Make our Commissions Effective

Rémi and Leonard intervened and asked that the role of the commissions within FIMEM be defined so that they could work in coordination with the decisions of the Board. The proposal is that they be regulated in the Rules of Procedure and that these rules be voted on in 2022.

Giancarlo intervened to ask that the opportunity be taken to regulate the Network of Delegates. Mariel interrupted him to tell him that the delegates are in commission nº 1.

Is the motion not voted at this time?

It was agreed to maintain the current commissions and to order their functioning by means of a regulation at the next General Assembly in two years.

Juan of the MCEP proposes to create a commission against the advance of neoliberalism in education that will study the subject and help the Board to participate in burning political issues.

The African movements affirm that a greater coordination is necessary between the commissions and that a window could be opened on the FIMEM site for this question. for each movement. The delegate of each movement would be in charge of feeding this open window on the FIMEM website. These delegates should be part of the Communication Commission.

Sylviane intervened by saying that a committee should not have many members because it makes the work difficult.

Tere from MEPA asked again that the motion on the network of delegates presented by four movements be also dealt with.

We move on to point 4: accounting. Balance sheet. Budget. Commissioners (elections)

FIMEM Treasurer Sylviane Amiet explains the economic balance sheet by mentioning the losses of the 2016 RIDEF and the absence of gains in 2018, resulting in a decrease in revenue (see the document

 with the data).

36,600 euros is taken into account. There is no reimbursement from Canada that will make 10,000 euros that are for RIDEF 2022.

Pilar from the MCEP asks questions about the funds of the "Maestro Benaiges" scholarship.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors held in Nantes (France) from March 26 to April 1, 2015 and according to Infor 66, it was approved to endow the grant with 1000 euros which were paid in 2015 and 2016.

At the 2017 meeting in Lokossa, Benin, from June 28 to July 4 Infor CA states: "We will download the payment of the research grant". On the site we did not find the resolution, the FIMEM only paid in this year 2017 only 500 euros. After that, the FIMEM has not paid any new sums.

Why only 500 euros are paid in 2017?

The treasurer answers that 500 euros were paid in 2017 for the losses of the RIDEF of Benin and that this information had already been given to the RIDEF of Sweden. The MCEP reiterated its request that the funds for the scholarship have a section and do not appear in the budget included in the projects section, otherwise it would be difficult to track the income for the scholarship. The Treasurer said that this is already included in the budget that she will present.

Why has nothing been paid in 2018, 2019 and 2020?

The treasurer says that the Board of Directors withheld the money out of mistrust because there was no information, but that 3000 euros have been budgeted for 2018, 19 and 20 for the scholarship. The MCEP answers that it, for its part, paid each year and does not understand how it is accused of lack of information if the one who did not pay is the FIMEM did not inform the two other parties involved in the granting of the scholarship.

Giancarlo intervenes to talk about the importance and necessity of the scholarship.

Tere Garduño asked that to the 3000 euros foreseen in the budget, 500 euros be added that are missing from 2017.

The financial report 2018/2019 was voted.

Abstentions 8

Against 0

In favor of 18

The report was adopted.

The meeting was suspended at 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.