Minutes of the 61st IVSA Congress in Norway 2012

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Present: Cihangir Dursun (CD, IVSA Ankara, Turkey, President), Alexandra Lebas (AL, IVSA Alfort, France, CEO), Frédéric Lohr (FL, IVSA Munich, Germany, Secretary Trustee), Jason Holloway (JH, IVSA SAVMA, DFO Trustee), Eva Augstein (EA, IVSA Hannover, Germany, DFO), Daesung Yu (DY, IVSA South Korea, ITO), BoHye Shin (BHS, IVSA South Korea, Treasurer), Louise Albrechtsen (LA, IVSA Denmark, IO), Janina Janssen (JJ, IVSA Austria, CEO Trustee), SungHyun Hong (SJH, IVSA South Korea, PO Trustee), Manel Milanes (MM, IVSA Barcelona, Spain, DFO Trustee), Lee Yee Cheng (LC, IVSA Malaysia, CEO Trustee)

The following chapters are present:
IVSA Austria
IVSA Alfort, France
IVSA Ankara, Turkey
IVSA Barcelona, Spain
IVSA Belgrade, Serbia
IVSA Bursa, Turkey
IVSA Cluj Napoca, Romania
IVSA Croatia
IVSA Denmark
IVSA Finland
IVSA Ghent, Belgium
IVSA Hannover, Germany
IVSA Iasi, Romania
IVSA Istanbul, Turkey
IVSA Ismailia, Egypt
IVSA Indonesia
IVSA Madrid, Spain
IVSA Malaysia
IVSA Munich, Germany
IVSA Naples, Italy
IVSA Netherlands
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1. Steering Meeting

CD welcomes the delegates and introduces Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) who explains Robert’s Rules of Order to the delegates.

CD gives a presentation about IVSA and the tasks of the ExCo.

2. Election of the Parliamentarian

CD explains the role of the Parliamentarian.

CD nominates Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) as Parliamentarian.

AL seconds.

No objections.

Maia accepts.

3. Election of the Chairperson of the GA

LA nominates CD.

JJ seconds.

No objections.

CD accepts.

4. Appointment of the Secretary of the GA
CD nominates FL
AL seconds.
No objections.
FL accepts.

5. Election of the Auditors of the minutes

CD explains that the Auditors have to check the Minutes of the 60th Symposium in Serbia.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA)
Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) seconds.
No objections.
Steen Smith accepts.

6. Election of the Auditors of the financial report

CD explains that the Auditors have to check all the receipts and the final report.

AL nominates Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands)
MM seconds.
No objections.
Mathieu Visser accepts.
CD nominates Andac Kilikap (IVSA Istanbul, Turkey)
AL seconds.
No objections.
Andac Kilikap accepts.

7. Approval of the Agenda

Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) moves to approve the agenda.
JJ seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

8. Minutes of the 60th Symposium in Serbia

The minutes are handed over to the Delegates.
The approval is postponed to GA 2.

9. Nominations of Election Committee members

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The committee has to consist of 2 delegates and 1 member of the outgoing ExCo.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA).
AL seconds.
No objections.
Steen Smith accepts.

Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) nominates Tazneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa).
LC seconds.
No objections.
Tazneem accepts.

CD nominates LA
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
No objections.
LA accepts.

The committee will explain in next GA how the elections work.

10. Information about the Hill’s contest

CD explains the cooperation between IVSA and Hill’s:
Hill’s is the Diamond partner of IVSA Global, they hold Webinars which are announced on the IVSA webpage, and they sponsor the Top EO trip to the SAVMA Symposium
This year’s Hill’s contest: during the congress we will have a photo contest about how Hill’s influences your life. The pictures have to be turned in before GA 5 to JJ. The prize is a trip to the SAVMA Symposium in Louisiana in March 2013. The winner will be presented on the webpages of IVSA and Hill’s and via all means of IVSA communication.

11. Nominations for Officers and Trustees

CD and AL explain how the nominations work

AL nominates Camille Poissonnier (IVSA Alfort, France) for a Trustee position.
MM seconds.
Camille Poissonnier accepts.

AL nominates Ben Jebara Inés (IVSA Tunisia) for CEO.
Andac Kilikap (IVSA Istanbul, Turkey) seconds.
Ben Jebara Inés accepts.
Sisse Giehm – Reese (IVSA Denmark) nominates Katrine Björnholm (IVSA Denmark) for IO.
LC seconds.
Katrine Björnholm accepts.

Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) nominates Hanne Aalling Jensen (IVSA Denmark) for IO.
LA seconds.
Hanne Aalling Jensen (IVSA Denmark) accepts.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates Judith Labounty (IVSA SAVMA) for DFO.
Lindsey SAVMA seconds.
Judith Labounty accepts.

Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) nominates Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) for Secretary.
Belgium seconds.
Oonagh Pretorius accepts.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) asks if a country can second a candidate of its own country.
ExCo confirms.

Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) nominates Frederic Lohr (IVSA Munich, Germany) for President.
LC seconds.
Frederic Lohr accepts.

FL nominates Andac Kilikap (IVSA Istanbul) for DFO.
CD seconds.
Andac Kilikap accepts.

12. ExCo reports

President:
After the winter symposium, CD attended the German Veterinary Students’ Association (BVVD) GA in Berlin and talked about merging the German chapters into a national chapter (IVSA Germany).
He attended the SAVMA Symposium in March and gave a presentation about IVSA at the House of Delegates.
He represented IVSA at the congress of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association in Birmingham.
He organized Skype meetings with the ExCo and stayed in contact with Shin concerning the budget.
CD participated in the 5th ExCo Live Meeting in Copenhagen.
CEO:
AL had 2 main goals: to improve the exchanges between chapters and to get more chapters. She made an accurate list with all the contact information of the chapters, which is available online to EOs and local presidents. She created a Facebook group for the EOs and EOs that are not yet a member should please get in touch with the CEO. She teamed up with the ITO to create a wiki page for the chapters and created the photo competition Veterinary Medicine Around the World which is presented during this congress. AL got in contact with a lot of schools together with her Trustees and managed to introduce at least 15 new chapters. She also went to the IFISO (Informal Forum of International Student Organizations) meeting.

DFO:
EA managed to attend all the Live Meetings (South Korea, Nottingham, Serbia, SAVMA, and Copenhagen). She organized live and silent auction at events and wants to thank the delegates for help and items. EA managed to create a list of schools in need and took care of the Scholarship Fund.

ITO:
DY attended all congresses/symposia since 2009 and tried to get IVSA involved with international organizations like the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO), International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA) etc. He set up the new website and created the EO Wiki with the help from JM. He successfully promoted IVSA to be “Core Affiliate” of the Wildlife Task Force of the FAO. After meeting IFMSA officers he established contact and to get students of both organizations involved in global projects. His thanks go especially to JM for all his work.

Treasurer:
BHS collected all membership fees by sending invoices and reminders to pay. She sent invoices to sponsors, reimbursement of officers and attended the WSAVA congress in 2011 in South Korea, 1st ExCo live meeting and the 4th ExCo live meeting at the SAVMA Symposium.

IO:
LA took care of the information office in Denmark, distributed the mail and took care of the IVSA info email address. She went through the archive in the office and archived all new documents. Together with AL, LA digitalized all the new members and although she wasn't able to attend all the live meetings, she was present via Skype. For the CC she helped to obtain information about the organization status according to Danish law and helped the CC to get in touch with the Danish lawyers concerning the constitution changes.

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CEO Trustee:
LC tried to get in contact with many Asian vet schools and managed to set up IVSA Thailand and Bangladesh (as an individual member) while she is still in the process of setting up India.
As Co-Chair of the Standing Committee for Animal Welfare she managed to set up an internship program with the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) Asia but LC will present more information during the upcoming GAs.
She attended the 1st ExCo live meeting in South Korea and attended the other meetings via Skype.

CEO Trustee:
JJ contacted universities in South America via the Deans and compiled a list of addresses of vet schools in South America.
She contacted students from Peru, Cameroon and Australia. Cameroon will apply for membership.

DFO Trustee:
MM has been contacting potential sponsor companies. Unfortunately he didn't manage to get international sponsors but a local one for Spain.
He attended all the meetings except for the 4th ExCo live meeting.
Besides organizing a DF auction in Barcelona he was in touch with his officer and the chapters and helped out wherever he could.

DFO Trustee:
JH was helping out with the DF auctions and attended the meetings via Skype.
He helped out at the DF auction at the SAVMA Symposium and got in touch with the publisher Elsevier to donate their old books to the DF.

PO Trustee:
SJH helped LB with creating the newsletters and attended the live meetings in South Korea, at the SAVMA Symposium and in Copenhagen.
He was also the Chair of the Standing Committee for Modern Technology in Education. He gives a short presentation about SCoMTE.

ITO Trustee:
JM was also the Chair of the Constitution Committee. In this function he helped creating the new constitution and by-laws together with the other members of the CC.
He helped out BHS and DY with any IT issues.

Sec Trustee:
FL attended all the ExCo live meetings and helped SB with carrying out her tasks.
He also represented IVSA at the FVE (Federation of Veterinarians of Europe) General Assembly in Amsterdam and Brussels. There he also participated in the EVERI (European Veterinarians in Education, Research and Industry) meeting.

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Lindsey Ann Smith (IVSA SAVMA) proposes motion to approve the above reports in a whole.
Andac Kilickap (IVSA Istanbul, Turkey) seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

13. 60th Symposium Financial Report
Sanja Grubovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) gives a short presentation about the Symposium in Belgrade, Serbia in December 2011 and the finances of the Symposium.

Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) asks what the listed position “Rest” includes.
Sanja answers that it includes party places, book keeping, cash register, booking of the club, etc.

No further questions.

14. Chapter presentation
IVSA Barcelona, Spain presents their exchange with IVSA Ankara, Turkey.

15. Presentation of the draft version of the new constitution
The draft version of the constitution has been sent out to all delegates in sufficient time before congress.
JM, Chair of the CC, reads the new constitution article by article and explains the background of the articles.

CD proposes motion to close GA 1.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned to GA 2.

GA 2 19.07.2012

Roll Call
All chapters present.

Chairperson

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates Stehen Smith (IVSA SAVMA)
JM seconds.
Stehen accepts.
No objections.
Steen is elected Chairperson of GA 2.


JM proposes motion to accept the report.
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) seconds.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) asks, if the Auditors had a look on it.
No objections.
The Financial Report is accepted.

17. Matters arising from the minutes of the 60th Symposium in Belgrade

Stehen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) presents the minutes.
To „Point 14“: IO presentation added.
To „General Business part 2“: info about a presentation given, added Norway.

No objections.
Minutes approved.

18. Nominations

DY nominates SYH for ITO,
CD seconds.
SYH accepts.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates JJ for a Trustee position.
AL seconds.
JJ accepts.

Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) nominates Joseph Lunt for a Trustee position.
JJ seconds.
Joseph accepts.

Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) nominates Hanne Aalling Jensen (IVSA Denmark) for a Trustee position.
Airina Sylte Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) seconds.
Not present but accepts.
Apetrei Anca (IVSA Iasi, Romania) nominates Adela Anghel (IVSA Timisoara, Romania) for CEO.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) seconds.
Not present but accepts.

CD nominates Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) for a Trustee position.
Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) seconds.
Mathieu accepts.

19. Nominations for the 62nd Symposium and 63rd Congress

AL nominates IVSA Ankara, Turkey as a host for the 62nd Symposium.
Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) seconds.
CD accepts in the name of IVSA Ankara, Turkey.

20. Discussion of the draft version of the constitution

JM proposes to accept the constitution and by-laws as presented.
The chairman explains that no one has to accept the motion just because it was proposed but it is a mean to bring the discussion to the floor
Oonagh Pretoria (IVSA South Africa) seconds,
James Bost (JB, IVSA UK & Ireland) moves to amend the comments of the Danish lawyers to the constitution and by-laws.
Heidi Finland seconds
JB explains that we sent the constitution to the lawyers beforehand and that they had no substantial changes and basically just moved some items from the by-laws to the constitution.
The only new item to the constitution is the detailed information about the members and the financial report.
JM points out that we go through the text in detail after the vote, so the amendments of the lawyers can be changed afterwards.

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Motion passed.

Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) asks when exactly the constitution and by-laws come into effect. JM replies that there will be a step-wise approach, during the next Symposium there will be the election for President-elect and the first new ExCo will be elected at the upcoming congress. The rest comes into effect after the decision at this congress.
Discussion of the constitution.

**Objectives**

JH asks to change the wording to "benefit of both animals and mankind".
JM asks for friendly amendment.
Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) seconds.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) states that there is a second "people" in this section.
JH states that using the word „people“ is unprofessional
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) moves to change "people" into „humans“ since we're a scientific organization.
The chairman restates "change animals and humans" and "humans of the world".
No objections.

**Main activities**

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) proposes the friendly amendment to change „best practices“.
JM states that „best practices“ is a standing concept, changing it into "ideas and best practices"
No objections.

**Governance**

No comments.

**Members**

JM moves to make the friendly amendment "participate in the activities of IVSA".
Airana Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) seconds.
JM just explains that changing the wording from „all“ to „the“ is needed since in future we cannot guarantee a spot for every chapter.
Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) comments that we're not able to do that even right now, so we're not really changing anything.
No objections.

JB moves to amend "each country shall be allocated an equal number of votes"
Airina Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) seconds.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) states that the countries should not have an equal number of votes.
JM explains that in Serbia the GA decided to have a unified number of votes. Lukas replies that this is not true, it was just meant as giving the CC a direction.
JM explains that we also voted on whether to have the current system or the new system and the new system was in favor.
Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) Point of Interest (POI): She wants further information about what is considered a country in this context.
JM: A country is taken as the highest level of membership in IVSA. If there is only one chapter in a country, then this chapter is considered a country. In case there are different chapters in a country, then they together are
considered a country chapter.

JH wants a clarification on the number of votes. JB states that it means that every country has the same amount of votes; the exact number of votes is stated in the bylaws which makes it easier to change in the future.

JJ states that it is not fair to have the same amount of votes for every country.

JM states that the CC spent a lot of time thinking about it but due to our structure of chapters having a "cut off solution", very large chapters would be disadvantaged.

Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) states that the participation of SAVMA is comparable to the smaller chapters and therefore the new solution is fair.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) states that it would also speed up the procedures during GA since we don't have to recalculate the voting rights every time.

Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) states that the CC went through the constitutions of many organizations (UN, IFMSA etc.) and it is working perfectly fine. It makes IVSA more international.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) wants to point out that equal is a nice word but right now we're not equal and it will never happen since we are all different.

Judith asks for a 3 minute recess.

Vote on JBs amendment.

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Not passed.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) wants to eliminate the sentence that states the number of votes.
Rafaela Karaisosif (IVSA Thessaloniki, Greece) seconds.
JM states that the lawyers specifically requested to have the allocation of votes and hereby objects.
Laura Willard (IVSA SAVMA) asks for clarification.
Michaela Östhoml (IVSA Norway) asks if there can be a sentence that refers to the by laws.
The CC objects.
Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) wants to speak against it since it makes the whole constitution invalid.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) states that someone has to come up with another solution then.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) proposes to add something to point to the by-laws.
LC asks Lukas to propose a sentence to change it.

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No objections. Accepted.

Simone Pettelkau (IVSA Hannover, Germany) POI wants clarification about the 90 days waiting time. JM clarifies that it is just to keep people from changing it without notice, it generally means that you talk about it in the next symposium or congress.

**Amendments to the Bylaws**
JM makes a friendly amendment to change section A from "group member organization" to "member organization".
No objections. Accepted.

**Dissolution**
JM states that the CC tried to make the dissolution as difficult as possible. LA asks about the meaning of „special session“
JM states that the special session is defined in the by-laws.

Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) moves to propose motion to switch into a working session to work on things, after that the GA can come back to actually propose a motion.
JM so moved.
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) seconds.
No objections.

Moving back to the discussion of the „Members“ section of the constitution.

JM explains that 2 things are contested: The definition of a country and the number of votes. Due to the current situation with the chapter structure it puts IVSA at a point where, in case the GA places an unequal system, some chapters are paying more even though they get fewer votes.
Equal vote options: 1+1 or one vote system.
Unequal vote options: Depending on where you put a cutoff and how many votes you allocate.
The Chairperson states that we should first discuss the country definition and then move on to the voting system. JM reads a proposal for the definition of a country, it would be placed in the members section before the term "country" is used:
A country is defined as an entity which is a state according to article 1 of the 1933 Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States and is in addition acknowledged by at least one United Nations member state.
Any super-national veterinary student organization may apply to represent more than one country, as defined in the Constitution, subject to the approval of the General Assembly. In this situation the countries represented by the super-national organization will be considered a single entity when considering their votes and membership.
fee.

Chairperson moves the discussion to the voting issues.

JB explains the procedures
Julie Stafford (JS, IVSA SAVMA) speaks on behalf of the 1+1 voting allocation, allows a strong view in positive or the indecisiveness of a country, so if a country feels strongly in favor they can place 2 votes, against 2 votes or 1 in favor and 1 against, if you place 1 of the votes as an abstain, this vote is not counted and doesn't go into the total so that you basically place just a half vote.

JM speaks on behalf of the one vote system, 1 vote regardless of the size of the chapter.

JS explains one of the main differences: with the 1+1 voting system it would be expected that each chapter decides beforehand.

JM explains the unequal votes systems. The danger of the unequal vote can be that the group of large organizations can team up together to prevent certain decisions.

Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) personally feels that unequal version 3 and 4 (differences in the cut off) are pretty close to the one vote solution but still require the roll call and therefore slow down the GA.

Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) wants the CC to explain why the equal vote system would speed up and not requires the roll call.

Chairperson explains that it is pretty easy since you just have to count the countries present and then it is easy to determine the majority.

JB points out that it would simply be done by raising a hand given that there is just one person voting per country.

MM states that we represent different/unequal amounts of people and he wants to point out that we are of course equal but also not equal on the other hand. We cannot be equal when one country just represents about 10% of the students and other countries are representing all of their students. It depends on how you manage to get people involved in IVSA and how many people are actually represented by IVSA

LA asks JS if the 1+1 system was meant as a „per country” vote as well. JS affirms.

Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) states that one has to take into account that some countries cannot afford to practically force people to pay for all the students when they simply cannot afford it. It is not fair that large chapters have many inactive members and just pay for them and therefore have more saying in comparison to small chapters that are very active but just cannot afford. She wants clarification if we want all the students of a faculty as IVSA members or just paying members.

The Chairperson states that this is not a point of the discussion right now.

Simone Pettelkau (IVSA Hannover, Germany) asks how a country with more than 2 chapters is casting a vote.

The Chairperson states that it would work exactly as in the equal vote system.

Rafaela Karaisif (IVSA Thessaloniki, Greece) wants to support Sanjas statement and wants to point out that there is no way to measure activity. Money should not be a determinant for how many votes one can have.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) wants the GA to remember that if that would happen, Austria would have to massively decrease the number of members because the student association doesn't see the point in still being a member then.

Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) objects to think that how much we pay should be rewarded by votes but by
having the privilege to be part of IVSA.
Amanda Söderstrand (IVSA Norway) comments that it might be more important to represent a smaller number that really cares about what happens on an international scale than a large number that doesn’t.
Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) asks Lukas to clarify since the Netherlands are in the same position but don't see the need to decrease the number.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) explains that they are going to save 700€ they can spend at their university instead.
Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) points out that it is about paying to be part of it like IVSA Ghana that could probably do more with the money they spend on IVSA.
Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) wants to point out that one of our main objectives is to help non privileged countries and the equal voting system is exactly in favor of that.

The GA chooses one equal and one unequal system. It is then decided between those two options.

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IVSA UK & Ireland 6 equal
IVSA Warsaw, Poland 1 equal
IVSA Wroclaw, Poland 1 equal
IVSA Zürich, Switzerland 1 equal

GA is in favor of the equal 1+1 system.

JM moves to get back to the regular session.
LC seconds.
No objections.

JS moves to add the definition of a country as stated by JM.
JB seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) POI wants to know if according to the lawyers, there have to be a number of votes in the constitution.
JM answers that they wanted to have the allocation of votes not the number.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) speaks on behalf of the CC who prefers the term equal in it and not a number since it is easier to change.

JM moves to amend "each country shall be allocated an equal number of votes"
Simone Pettelkau (IVSA Hannover, Germany) seconds.
No objections.
Vote for the amendment of the definition of a country and the voting system.

| IVSA Austria | 3 in favor, 2 against |
| IVSA Alfort, France | 1 in favor |
| IVSA Ankara, Turkey | 2 |
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Discussion of the by-laws.

JM moves to friendly amend the ExCo abbreviation to the top.
No objections.
Passed.

Official Relationships
no objections

General Assembly
no objections

Certification of Delegates
no objections

Quorum
Objection by IVSA Austria because it should be changed to „at least 50% of the votes“.

Officials of the GA
Objections to the „Chairman“ section by IVSA Denmark.
Lena Hammerlund Teige (IVSA Norway) moves to friendly change Executive Committee to ExCo.
No objections.
JM wants to friendly amend in the Parliamentarian section the term „legislators question“ to „parliamentarian inquiries“.
No objections.

Sessions of the GA
no objections
JM POI here the special session is defined which can dissolve IVSA.

GA Procedures
no objections

Decisions
no objections

ExCo
General
no objections

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the ExCo shall...
no objections

The ExCo will be discharged...
no objections

Structure
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) asks if CEO becomes MOD.
JM moves to friendly change the name of the MOD to MOM.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) seconds.
Objection by Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark)
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects the whole structure of ExCo as outlined since it is too loosely defined.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) states that the possibility to take more than 1 position might cause work overload.
JM POI the only sense is that everyone except for the president can be vice president.

Term of ExCo
no objections

Nomination and Election
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) thinks it is too loosely defined that any valid member can nominate.

Nomination of the Members of the ExCo
Point 1
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects the wording of the bullet point where it states that you have to visit at least 1 congress .
Point 2
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) objects to the country limit.
Point 3
IVSA Norway objects the licensing issue.
Point 4
no objections
Point 5
Sisse Giehm Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects that people can be nominated for ExCo as a whole.
Point 6
no objections
Point 7
no objections
Point 8

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no objections
Point 9
no objections

Presentation meeting
Point 1
no objections
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) POI about the time limit each speaker has.
JM proposes to put that in the manual.
Point 2
no objections
Point 3
no objections
Point 4
no objections

Election of the members of ExCo
Point 1
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects that there should always be cast a vote.
Point 2
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects that there should always be cast a vote.
Point 3
no objections
Point 4
no objections
Point 5
no objections
Point 6
no objections
Point 7
no objections

Election schedule
no objections

Responsibilities

President
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) moves to friendly amend to switch fundraising and financial affairs
no objections
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) asks if we have to change Point 3.
JM answers that it depends on the decision the GA makes.

President-elect
no objections

Vice President
no objections

Secretary General
no objections

Treasurer
no objections

Post Treasurer
no objections

Development Aid Director
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) POI asks if the DAD also directs the Scholarship Fund.
JM as currently, the Scholarship Fund is not obligatory managed by the DFO, so it would be the same.

Membership Organization Director
no objections

Meetings of the ExCo
no objections

Starting Handover Meeting
no objections

Symposium Meeting
no objections

Congress Meeting
no objections

Ending Handover Meeting
no objections

Expenses
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects to point 2 because president elect and post treasurer should be
reimbursed completely.
JM the number of trips is reduced from 5 to 2 and it would be difficult for these positions to come to congress.

Termination of Membership of the ExCo
no objections

Supervision of the work of the ExCo
no objections

Secretariat
JM POI the Secretariat would be the replacement for a part of the Trustees.

General
no objections

Structure
no objections

Responsibilities
no objections

Nomination and Election
no objections

Expenses
Tamara Dolensek (IVSA Slovenia) objects to Point 2 because it should read congress or symposium since one might not have time to attend the congress.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) points out that the Secretariat could be split if formulate it like this.

Trust

General
no objections

Structure
no objections

Responsibilities
no objections

Nomination and Election

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Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) objects the sentence that one should have been a member of ExCo beforehand.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) answers that it is the objective of the Trust to give advice to the new ExCo and that you need experienced people.
Sandra Kriechbaumer (IVSA Austria) asks if the Trust has a safe place at the congress and symposium.
JM states that this is not the case.
JJ wants to have that specifically written down.
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) proposes to put it in the manual.

JM moves to table this issue.
JB seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

Committees and Groups
no objections

Election Committee
no objections

Animal Welfare Committee
no objections

Membership
Member

Member Organizations
no objections

Individual Supportive Members
no objections

Honorary Life Membership
no objections

Rights
Allocation of votes
JM states that we need the details of how the vote will be allocated since it has been removed from the constitution.

Individual Supportive Membership

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no objections

Honorary Life Membership
no objections

Duties
MOs and ISM
no objections

Application for Membership
no objections

Membership Fees
MO Fees including the first table
Cristoforos Posporis (IVSA Timisoara, Romania) has objections to the size factor and the calculation formula.
Sandra Kriechbaumer (IVSA Austria) objects the section of the comparison factor.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) objects this section as well because it is unfair to say students in Norway have the most money.

ISM Fees
no objections

Termination of Membership
First Paragraph
no objections

Resignation
no objections

Inactive Member status
Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) states that the Financial Year and the school year are not the same.
JM answers that the FY runs from Sept 1st to August 31st the next year.
no objections

Conferences and Symposia
Congress
no objections

Symposium
no objections
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) wants an explanation for the application period.
JM explains that the Treasurer has to make sure that just active members can apply for a symposium or congress.

Hosting a congress and Symposium
no objections

Responsibilities of OC
no objections

Congress and Symposium Finances
Point 1 - 6
Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) asks about the maximum fee limit.
JM answers that it was moved to the manual to make it easier to change.
Point 7 - 13
JM states that we have to keep in mind that this part has to be changed as well if we change the membership fee calculation

Communication before C or S
no objections

Official Parts of C and S
no objections

Exchanges and other events
no objections

Finances
Official currency
no objections

Regulations for the financial report
no objections

Funds
Central Fund
no objections

Development Fund
no objections

Scholarship Fund

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no objections

Reserve Fund
no objections

Working of the contested sections

Quorum
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) moves to change the quorum to 51%.
JS seconds.
JM explains that it was simply copied from the old constitution and with the new equal vote system it is no more a problem.
Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) POI does it mean 51% of the MO have to be present?
JM yes, the active ones.

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Motion passed.

Chairman
Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) is not in favor of the President always being the chairman since he/she has
to overlook the whole congress/symposium.
She moves to change it to "A chairperson shall be elected at the beginning of the GA"
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) seconds
JM objects because the new version does not require the chairperson to be elected at each session but at the
beginning of the congress which speeds up the session and you should consider that the chairperson should be
the president.
Maia Saxgren states that this is not the case.
JM friendly amends "chairman".

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Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) worked with this system in the student board of the Helsinki University and has very good experiences with it. Before the elections the nominees should state what skills they have and the GA then decides which would be the best composition of skills for the ExCo. It also strengthens the bond among people on the board since people are not restricted to a certain position.

JJ is afraid that people might be discouraged to run since they don’t know the workload.

Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) wants to know if one runs for a defined position or the ExCo as a whole.

JM answers that except for President one runs for ExCo as a whole.

The Chairperson proposes to table this item and that the GA should come up with another proposal at the South Africa Symposium in 2013.

Nomination and Election

Sisse Giehm-Reese (SGR, IVSA Denmark) wants to know if members of the ExCo can nominate their successors.

JM answers that this is possible.

Nomination of the members of the ExCo

Point 1

SGR points out that it is not necessary that a member have to have attended a congress or symposium first since in the past it worked well.

JJ thinks that we exclude a lot of valuable people with it.

JS states that one is eligible to run if one can get nominated in GA 3 since one attended most part of a congress.

Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) states that we have to keep in mind that in the future we will have more members which would make it more difficult for people to attend a congress or symposium first.

JM moves to erase this point from the by-laws.

JJ seconds.

JS is objecting because it is very important that students see how a GA is run and during the application you could indicate this.

Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) states that this is why we created the Trust (to advice the ExCo).

Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) states that this does not include the Secretariat.

The Chairman asks if there are there any objections to vote the previous amendment down.

Oonagh SA friendly amends to change it to "It is recommended that a nominee for membership of the ExCo should have attended a major part of at least one IVSA congress or symposium”

No objections.

Passed.

Point 2

Judith LaBounty (IVSA SAVMA) wants to know how it is decided if several people who run are from the same
country.

JM answers that the one with the most votes gets in.

Emma van Rooijen (IVSA The Netherlands) objects to this.

Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) states that the ExCo should be as diverse as possible and that you can still go to the Secretariat. It also prevents several people from one country to stick together and form a group in the ExCo.

SGR feels that we cannot limit it since we are looking for the most capable people and that diversity does not go before professionalism.

Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) states that the post treasurer would block his/her country place in the next ExCo.

JM answers that is not true.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) proposes motion to change it to "but no more than two members from each country".

SGR seconds.

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Motion passed.

Point 3
Airina Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) wants to friendly amend to change the wording to "if they are not fully licensed".
No objections.

Point 5
The Chairperson tables this point until the next GA in South Africa.

Election of the members of the ExCo
SGR moves to strike point 1 and 2.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
JM states that the intent was to speed up the GA.
SGR points out that it should be with a vote because it is important for the person to know how many people support him/her.

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Expenses ExCo
SGR thinks that President elect and post Treasurer should not be reimbursed since the CC stated to keep the costs at a minimum and this is against this intent and we should probably just reimburse half.
JM answers that the intent of the CC was that President elect and Treasurer could also be people from poorer countries can apply for it.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) states that they can still run but they are not officers at the time and therefore should not be reimbursed.
Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) proposes to include a GDP limit to enable people from poor countries to attend.
Krista Carlson (IVSA SAVMA) counters that the GDP does not reflect the money people have, for instance in the States people have a lot of loans.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) thinks it is important for these people to be reimbursed since it is a longer term and it is mandatory for the President to present at the congress to get to know his ExCo.

The Chairperson proposes to move this to the GA in South Africa.

Secretariat Expenses
Tamara Dolensek (IVSA Slovenia) suggests changing it to reimbursement for either congress or symposium.
JM answers that the intent was to fund the travel to the handover meeting and not somewhere else.
Simone Pettelkau (IVSA Hannover, Germany) proposes to add that the Secretaries should state beforehand which event they want to attend.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) states that the GA could always decide about reimbursing a Secretary if he or she states beforehand that he/she cannot attend congress.
Tamara moves to change the text to "reimbursement....for attending either the Symposium or Congress"
Emma van Rooijen (IVSA The Netherlands) seconds.

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Motion passed.

Membership Organization Fees
The Chairperson reminds the GA how difficult it is to come up with a method.

JM states that the current system is very difficult to understand. The new system is easy to understand and has
Cristoforos Posporis (IVSA Timisoara, Romania) wants to know what the members pay for. Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) answers that the fees are used to run IVSA. Sandra Kriechbaumer (IVSA Austria) points out that there are many small chapters who have to pay more or double. Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) states that the economics between Vet school and the country differ in many countries.

JM points out that it is difficult to come up with a method of measurement to measure the relative richness of students in a vet school. Sandra states that IVSA Austria will have to decrease their fee then because it is impossible for all of their members to benefit from IVSA.

Cristoforos asks why to correlate member numbers with membership fees. Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) states that IVSA offers more to its members than just congress and symposium and that it’s up to the chapter to promote the activities.

The chairperson points out that the new membership fees are not due until after the next congress in Utrecht, Netherlands and we should therefore move it to be discussed in South Africa. He also points out that chapters not present can submit a motion before the next GA.

Trust
Nomination and Election
SGR objects the fact that a Trustee must have been in the ExCo beforehand.
JM wants to friendly amend to change the wording in the structure into "up to 6 Trustees" which leads to the fact that we sometimes won’t have a Trust.
No objections.
Passed.

The Chairperson casts the vote on the constitution and the bylaws as they stand and that we discuss the above mentioned structure of ExCo and the membership fees in SA.

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IVSA Warsaw, Poland 1 yes
IVSA Wroclaw, Poland 1 yes
IVSA Zürich, Switzerland 2 yes

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Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned to GA 3


Roll Call
All present.

Chairperson

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LA nominates Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) for Chairperson.
JM seconds.
Steen accepts.
No objections.
Steen is elected Chairperson

21. Nominations for Officers and Trustees

JM moves to waive the 24 hour deadline for the nominee presentation.
Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) seconds.
No objections.

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Motion passed.

Oonagh Pretorius (IVSA South Africa) nominates Krista Carlson (IVSA SAVMA) for DFO.
JJ seconds.
Krista accepts.

Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) nominates Henrike Völkert (IVSA Hannover, Germany) for a Trustee position.
Andac Kilikap (IVSA Istanbul, Turkey) seconds.
Henrike accepts.

JJ nominates Laura Willard (IVSA SAVMA) for a Trustee position.
Anne Christine Follesdal (IVSA Norway) seconds.
Laura accepts.

JH nominates Emma van Rooijen (IVSA The Netherlands) for Trustee position.
Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) seconds.
Emma accepts.

Malin Rokseth Reiten (IVSA Norway) nominates Airina Sylte Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) for a Trustee position.
Sophie Bagnall (IVSA UK & Ireland) seconds.
Airina accepts.

Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) nominates Pim Polak (IVSA The Netherlands) for ITO.
Joseph Lunt (IVSA UK & Ireland) seconds.
Pim accepts.

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Sebastian von Freymann (IVSA Finland) nominates Krista Carlson (IVSA SAVMA) for a Trustee position. JJ seconds.
Krista accepts.

Shreya Venkatkumar (IVSA South Africa) nominates Tamara Dolensek (IVSA Slovenia) for a Trustee position. Andac Kilikap (IVSA Istanbul, Turkey) seconds.
Tamara accepts.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) for Treasurer. Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
Mathieu accepts.

Spela Spajzar (IVSA Slovenia) nominates Henrike Völker (IVSA Hannover, Germany) for IO. Simone Pettelkau (IVSA Hannover, Germany) seconds.
Henrike accepts.

Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) nominates Mohamed El Kameesy (IVSA Ismailia, Egypt) for a Trustee position. Pim Polak (IVSA The Netherlands) seconds.
Mohamed accepts.

Albiruni Haryo (IVSA Indonesia) nominates Resnu C. Retorika Galunnggung (IVSA Indonesia) for a Trustee position. Chian Hoey Lee (IVSA Malaysia) seconds.
Resnu accepts.

Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) nominates Sanja Gruborovic (IVSA Belgrade, Serbia) for ITO. Natalia Coyo Asensio (IVSA Barcelona, Spain) seconds.
Sanja accepts.

Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) nominates MM for PO. Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
MM accepts.

MM nominates Yao-Ying Chen (IVSA Taiwan) for a Trustee position. Resnu C. Retorika Galunnggung (IVSA Indonesia) seconds.
Yao-Ying accepts.

Gilian Declercq (IVSA South Africa) nominates Wafaa Abdul Washeff (IVSA Malaysia) for a Trustee position. Sisse Giehm-Reese seconds.
Wafaa accepts.
Nicole Dale Epstein (IVSA South Africa) nominates Erin Smith (IVSA SAVMA) for CEO.
LC seconds.
Erin accepts.

Sisse Giehm-Reese (IVSA Denmark) nominates Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) for Secretary.
JM seconds.
Julie accepts.

22. Nominations for Congress & Symposium

JM nominates IVSA Indonesia as a host for the 63rd IVSA congress 2014.
JJ seconds.
IVSA Indonesia accepts.

JJ moves to change the agenda of the GA to have chapter presentations now and just one nominee presentation or the DFO presentation and move the rest of the GA3 to the 22. and start GA 4 at 7am.
JM seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

23. Chapter presentation
Exchange between IVSA Cluj – Napoca, Romania and IVSA Austria.
DF presentation

MM presents a DF auction conducted by IVSA Barcelona, Spain.
The chapter raised 708 € for the DF.

JJ proposes motion to end the session.
JM seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

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LC proposes motion to make amendments to the agenda.
JM seconds.
No objections

AL presents the changes: Presentation of the CC, Informative Presentations, Local Chapter Presentations, and

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Nominee Presentations.

25. Presentation of the CC
JM explains the schedule of when the new constitution comes into effect. All the text can be adopted right away except for „Finances B“ and in the bylaws the „ExCo“, „Secretariat“ and the „Trust“.
He moves to adopt the schedule as presented.
James Bost (IVSA UK & Ireland) seconds.

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IVSA Zürich, Switzerland 2 yes
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Motion passed. (79%)

The Chairperson clarifies that the Financial Report will be presented in GA 4.

26. IVSA Informative Presentations

DF
CEO
Animal Welfare Committee

27. Chapter Presentations

IVSA The Netherlands - IVSA Israel
IVSA Malaysia - IVSA South Africa

28. Nominee Presentations

The nominees present themselves and their agendas for their possible term of office.

JM moves to end GA 3.
SYH seconds.
Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned to GA 4.

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Roll Call
All present.

Chairperson
JM nominates CD for Chairperson.
Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) seconds.
CD accepts.
No objections.
CD is elected Chairperson.

JM moves to add a point of clarification for the adoption schedule of the constitution for what to do in a situation when there are more than 2 people from the same country elected.
Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) seconds.
JM explains that his intent in the last GA was to explain that the new constitution comes into effect after the Norway congress and not right after the vote.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) proposes to end this congress according to the old governance documents.
JM states his motion "If you vote „yes“ the new constitution comes into effect after Norway and if you vote „no“ it means that the new constitution comes into effect immediately".

Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) objects the carried out procedure in her role as a parliamentarian. Since there is just one GA and not five separate ones, the system cannot be changed during this congress.
Martyna Kazmarek (IVSA Wroclaw, Poland) asks why the new system is not used when the GA just decided on a good one.
JM explains that the problem is that the system cannot be changed in the middle of a GA.

JM also explains the problem with three SAVMA members running for officers and that there is a two people limit for ExCo positions.
JM moves that the total votes for the SAVMA candidates are counted and the ones with the most votes get in.
Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) seconds.
Lindsey Ann Smith (IVSA SAVMA) wants to know if it is possible to cast a vote who gets in since there are two people running against three and one running against two, which would make the other option unfair.
James Bost (IVSA UK & Ireland) supports this idea.
Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) asks how that vote would be done.
Lindsey clarifies that it would be a secret ballot vote.
JM states that this means for the position that the second best candidate is chosen.

Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) proposes that JM proposal is voted down by general acclamation and then have a roll call vote on Lindsey’s proposal.
Lukas Huber (IVSA Austria) objects.
Cristiforos Posporis (IVSA Timisoara, Romania) it is unfair since there are people running against a differing number of other people.

Lindsey Ann Smith (IVSA SAVMA) moves to have a secret ballot vote after the officers’ elections to determine the persons who are voted into ExCo.
James Bost (IVSA UK & Ireland) seconds.
No objections.
Passed by general acclamation.

LC moves to make amendments to the agenda.
Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) seconds.
AL explains that the GA is running late and that there has to be a new session of the GA at 7am the next day to have the elections.
JM explains that the GA should take into consideration that ExCo decisions should not affect the GA decisions but also that the GA is the most important point of the congress.
No objections .
Motion passed.

29. Presentation of the Financial Report

Auditors: Everything worked out, the only thing was that Shin reimbursed an officer a full trip when it was just meant to be half the amount.
JM states the since IVSA now has a 12.000€ balance it would be a great idea to put this money into the reserve fund.
CD replies that would be the decision of the next ExCo.

30. New Applicants Presentations

Konya, Turkey
Recife, Brazil
Bangangte, Cameroon
Kayseri, Turkey
IVSA Egypt -> want to combine all the school chapters in one national chapter

31. Partner presentations

Novice
IVSA is signing a partnership agreement.
Pim Polak (IVSA The Netherlands) is giving a presentation about the Novice project.
www.noviceproject.eu/

RVC
CD explains that IVSA signed an agreement with the Royal Veterinary Colleges NEAT project funded by the EU.
NEAT = Networking to enhance the use of economics in animal health education, research and policy making
in Europe and beyond

IFISO
AL gives a presentation about IFISO and IVSAs membership
www.ifiso.org/

The right to research coalition
AL gives a presentation about the coalition
www.righttoresearch.org/

32. Question and Answer Session

LA explains the voting system and the ballots
The officer nominees and Trustee nominees stand up to answer questions from the floor.

33. Nominations for Congress and Symposium

no nominations

Maia Saxgren (IVSA Denmark) asks the ExCo to be on time for the next sessions.

JM moves to end this session.
Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.


LA explains the voting procedures

Roll Call

IVSA Barcelona, Spain present but cannot vote
IVSA Ismailia, Egypt not present
IVSA Munich, Germany present but cannot vote

34. Officer Elections

All the nominees leave the room for the time of the election
Chapter presentations while the votes are counted.
IVSA Naples

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All present.

Chairperson

Heidi Vesterinen (IVSA Finland) proposes Steen Smith (IVSA SAVMA) for Chairperson.
CD seconds.
Steen accepts.
No objections.
Steen is elected Chairperson.

36. Top EO/Top Exchange

AL explains the procedure and the prizes for the Top EO and the Top 9 EOs and thanks all the EOs for their hard work over the last year.
TOP EO:
Nevra Keskin, IVSA Ankara, Turkey
Rest of the TOP 10 EOs:
1. Camille Poissonnier, IVSA Alfort, France
2. Sandra Kriechbaumer, IVSA Austria
3. Milan Markovic, IVSA Belgrade, Serbia
4. Maia Saxgren & Louise Krarup, IVSA Denmark
5. Amanda Söderstrand, IVSA Norway
6. Emma Van Roojen, IVSA Netherlands
7. Nicole Frolich, IVSA South Africa
8. Eirini Kamenaki, IVSA Thessaloniki, Greece
9. Ben Salem Khouloud, IVSA Tunisia

AL presents the two candidates for the Top Exchange: Netherlands - Israel and South Africa – Malaysia. South Africa - Malaysia wins.

37. Approval of the Financial Report

JM moves to approve the financial report.
JJ seconds.
Eirini Kamenaki (IVSA Thessaloniki, Greece) asks why the recipient of the SF did have problems to realize her exchange plans with South Africa even though IVSA has 11,000€ left.
EA explains that the SF has a set amount of 1000€ and the flight plus accommodation would've exceeded that limit.
No objections.
Motion passed.
38. Presentation of the 62nd Symposium nominee

IVSA Ankara + Bursa + Istanbul present their plans for the Symposium.

39. Voting for new member chapters

JM moves to approve all the new members with a single vote.
Pim Polak (IVSA the Netherlands) seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

Vote for the new members.

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All candidates are elected as new members.

40. Voting for the 62nd Symposium
Since there is just one candidate no vote is cast and IVSA Ankara, Bursa and Istanbul are therefore automatically elected as hosts of the 62nd IVSA Symposium.
Passed

41. 61st Symposium presentation and request
IVSA South Africa shows a presentation about the upcoming 61st Symposium in South Africa.
Dates: 03.-11.01.2013

Tasneem Arbi (IVSA South Africa) proposes motion to raise the Symposium fee from 200€ to 275€ incl. 10% IVSA Tax.
JJ asks if there are already sponsors.
Tasneem explains that there are already two sponsors.
JM asks if there would be an increased program.
Tasneem explains that it would be used to increase the program.
Amanda Söderstrand (IVSA Norway) seconds.
Julie Stafford (IVSA SAVMA) stands in favor but wants to bring to the GA that there was a raise in the fee for the last two events and that IVSA the Netherlands and the Turkey chapters should consider this as hosts of the next events.

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Motion passed.

42. 62nd Congress presentation

IVSA The Netherlands gives a presentation about the program.
Approximately the last week of July + first week of August and around 100 Delegates.

43. Chair of Animal Welfare committee

JM proposes LC for Chair.
AL seconds.
LC accepts.
No objections.
Elected by general acclamation.

44. Chair of SCoMTE

JM nominates Pim Polak (IVSA The Netherlands) for Chair.
Airina Sylte Kallmyr (IVSA Norway) seconds.
Pim accepts.
No objections.
Elected by general acclamation.

45. Winner of the Hills contest

Hill’s sponsors a trip to the SAVMA Symposium 2013.
Winner: Petru Nicolae, IVSA Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

46. Award of the Honorary Life Membership

The ExCo of 2011-2012 and the ExCo of 2012-2013 propose motion to award Jan Mattila with the Honorary Life Membership for his accomplishments over the last two years.

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Motion passed.
Jan Mattila (IVSA Finland) is hereby awarded the Honorary Life Membership of IVSA.

FL moves to amend the agenda a final time to discuss the budget for 2012-2013. He apologizes that the ExCo forgot to have this point in the agenda but that without discussing and approving the budget, IVSA could not work in the next year.
JM seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.

47. Discussion and approval of the budget 2012-2013

Mathieu Visser (IVSA The Netherlands) presents the proposed budget and moves to approve this budget.
Christoforos Posporis (IVSA Tmisoara, Romania) remarks that a lot of money is used for ExCo travels but that the members hardly benefit from the IVSA funds.
FL answers that it will be a central task for the new ExCo to create more member benefits.
JJ seconds.
No objections.
Passed by general acclamation.

JM moves to end the GA of the 61st congress.
LC seconds.
No objections.
Motion passed.