

Conference of European Churches Governing Board

Brussels, 22 – 24 November 2018

Proposed Annotated Agenda

1. Roll Call

The Moderator will perform the roll call establishing the presence of Governing Board members and voting quorum. (Doc1)

2. Adoption of the Agenda (Doc2a)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to approve the proposed agenda.

3. First presentation of Public Issues

The Public Issues presented for action by the Governing Board will be tabled at the meeting, topics are the following (Doc3a – Doc3c):

- 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Global Migration Governance (tabled at the meeting)
- COP24 – Climate Change (tabled at the meeting)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the proposed Public Issue(s) and decide upon action and make necessary arrangements for preparing draft(s) to be discussed and adopted by the Board.

4. Minutes previous meeting (June 2018)

The minutes of the June 2018 meeting have been published on the Extranet (Doc4)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to approve the minutes of the June 2018 meeting.

5. President's Report

The President of CEC, Rev Christian Krieger, will present his report to the Governing Board.

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the report and receive it.

6. General Secretary & Staff Activity Report

The General Secretary will present a report of staff activities after the General Assembly to the Governing Board. This session will include an oral report on the situation of Churches in Ukraine. (Doc6)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the report and receive it.

7. Election of Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee is one of the internal committees of the Governing Board. According to the current Standing Orders, Art. 9 (3), *"The Nominations Committee shall be chaired by one of the Vice-Presidents and consist of four other members. The members should include at least two men and at least two women. At least two of the members shall come from Orthodox member churches."*

Action: The Governing Board is invited to appoint the Nominations Committee upon a proposal from the President.

8. Evaluation of 2018 General Assembly

Assembly coordinator Szabolcs Lörincz will present the report of the evaluations of the General Assembly. (Doc8a - 8b)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss and receive the report.

9. CCME Activities Report

CCME General Secretary Dr Torsten Moritz will report on the current work of the organisation. (Doc9a - Doc9c)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to receive the report and to discuss the migration and refugee situation and the churches' contributions on these issues.

10. CEC Strategy Plan 2019 -2023

The President and the General Secretary will present their proposal for the CEC Strategy Plan 2019-2023, including an Implementation Plan. The plans are based on the Strategy and Policy report of the General Assembly and they have been developed through correspondence with Governing Board members and in consultation with the staff. A general theme for 2019-2023 is proposed. This discussion will include the question of mechanisms, such as Thematic Reference Groups and other task forces. Upon the decision of this Governing Board meeting, the Strategy Plan will be shared with the Member Churches for their feedback. This feedback will be taken into account, and the Strategy Plan will be finalized in the Governing Board meeting of May 2019. (Doc10a - 10e)

Action: The Governing board is invited to discuss the Strategy Plan in groups. The groups are assigned by the President. The groups will report back to the plenary for discussion.

11. Adopt Standing Orders of Governing Board

CEC is required to adapt its Standing Orders to the new Constitution voted in Novi Sad. A proposal has been prepared by legal advisors and shared with Governing Board members (22 October & 5 November). (Doc11a – 11e)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the proposed Standing Orders and to approve them.

12.

Budget and Accounts

The Treasurer will present his report (Doc_ - Doc_)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to receive the Report of the Treasurer and to adopt the proposed budget for 2019.

13. Appointments of GB Committees

The Nominations Committee will present its report. The following committees need to be appointed:

Personnel Committee

According to the current Standing Orders, Art 9 (4) *“The Personnel Committee consists of the President, the General Secretary, the Treasurer and one of the Vice-Presidents elected by the Governing Board.”*

Budget Committee

Treasurer

Vice-Treasurer

According to the current Standing Orders, Art 15 (3) & (7) *“The Governing Board shall elect, out of its regular members, a Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have the following functions:*

- *chairing the Budget Committee;*
- *serving on the Personnel Committee.*

“The Governing Board shall elect a Budget Committee and the audi discuss their annual reports, approve the financial report and give final discharge to the General Secretary.”

Delegations

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the Nomination Committee report and to elect the Governing Board Committees.

14. CEC Strategy Plan 2019-2023 (continued)

New draft, discussion & adoption

Action: The Governing Board is invited to approve the CEC Strategy Plan 2019-2023.

15. 2019 Projects

The Governing Board will receive reports on projects which are being prepared for 2019.

- a. Peace Conference (see Appendix A to GS report, Doc6)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to receive the report.

- b. Human Rights projects (Doc15a – Doc15c)

Action: The Governing board is invited to approve the Human Rights projects for 2019.

- c. Communication projects (tabled at the meeting)

Action: The Governing Board is invited to approve the Communication projects for 2019.

- d. **60th Anniversary of CEC** (tabled at the meeting)

The General Secretary will present a report on proposed ways to recognize and celebrate CEC's 60th Anniversary as a part of its on-going work in 2019. The proposals include a seminar on the theme for 2019-2023, as decided as a part of the Strategic Plan, as well as publication of interviews of CEC personalities, both in book and video form.

Action: The Governing Board is invited to discuss the possibilities to mark the anniversary and to decide on the proposed activities.