

Date:	June 17th, 2019	Place:	Fælledvej 12, 2200 KBH N, Community Hall, 1st floor, main house
	Draft Board Meeting Minutes		
Present	<p>From the Board: Anders Hamming (AH), Andreas Dybkjær-Andersson (ADA), Annette Rohde (AR), Flemming Hansen (FH), Helle Munk Ravnborg (HMR), Karen Jørgensen (KJ), Khaterah Parwani (KP), Mahmoud Ismail (MI) (agenda 3- 4), Mary Consolata Namagambe (MCN), Rasmus Kjær Slot (RKS), Sine Jensen (SJ) and Stine Krøijer (SK).</p>		
	<p>Others: Asger Narud (AN)(Alternate) Steen Folke (SF) (Alternate) Marie Uldall Thomsen (MUT) (Parliamentary Audit)</p> <p>From the Secretariat: Sisse Egeberg (SE) and Tim Whyte (TRW).</p>		
Apologies			
	<p>Minute –Taker: Sisse Egeberg</p> <p>The meeting was conducted in Danish</p>		

Agenda

01. **Welcome and approval of the agenda**
02. **Approval of minutes and matters arising from the Board Meeting May 8th and May 26th , 2019**
03. **AADK Board 2019 – 2020**
04. **Council meeting 2019**
05. **Constitution**
06. **AAI Assembly 2019**
07. **News from AADK**
08. **AOB**

01. Welcome and approval of the agenda

SK welcomed the board members to the Board Meeting.

The agenda was approved without comments.

02. Approval of minutes and matters arising from the Board Meeting on May 8th and May 26th, 2019

The minutes from the Board Meeting on May 8th were approved without comments.

The minutes from the Board Meeting on May 26th were approved without comments.

03. AADK Board 2019 – 2020

SK frame the discussion. The Board must discuss their expectations for the coming year as well as wishes regarding priorities in relation to the implementation of the rolling political plan 2019-2020. The Board had prior to the meeting received a document with an overview of the goals in the rolling political plan 2019-2020 and a status of the ongoing work on the various goals.

Expectations concerning content of the Board's work

During the roundtable the board members discussed among others:

- *Climate, Sustainability and development of Alternatives*: Focus on sustainable global development. We need to find our MS take on this. Climate as a starting point to also focus on other important issues. We work in the countries where the big climate related changes happen - how can we learn about them? It is very important that we involve the people affected by this and develop in cooperation with them.
- Continued agreement regarding strong focus on *organizing*.
- *Cooperation with ActionAid*: It was questioned whether an international group should be established. It is important, that we get a better knowledge of what is going on in other ActionAid countries and that we use it more in our work. We also have to get better at sharing the things that we develop/our knowledge (eg about partnerships) with others. Most of our grants goes to work in program countries. It is therefore important, that the Board is well informed on the work in the program countries.
- Increasing *military expenses* were also mentioned as an important issue to focus on. Possible joint venture with Aldrig Mere Krig concerning this.
- *Basic communication: Who is MS* and what is the MS doing? We need to be very clear on this. Clarity on how to contribute is also important. Stronger diversity in our volunteerism is wished for.
- *Increased diversity in funding*: Focus on how we can finance the things we want to do and not just do what we can get paid for.
- Continued focus on the development of our activities in Aarhus and spreading MS' activities in DK, as well as internal communication and competence mapping.

- Regarding *goal 12 from the rolling political plan 2019-2020 concerning Syria*: The situation in Syria is also focused on in Action Aid international. It is being discussed, what should be AA's take on this. This is expected to provide input to our work in AADK on goal 12 from the rolling political plan.

SK concluded:

The Board agreed on the need to establish a sub-committee on climate and development of alternatives. At the same time, the Board wants to respect the Secretariat's announcement that maximum 4 sub-committees can be established in relation to resources. Thus, it was decided that the sun committee on our humanitarian work should be deleted, as it is part of the overall work on the follow-up on the recommendations from Danida review. A status on the work on follow-up on the recommendations from the Danida Review should be presented to the Board in connection with the half-year status in December.

Thus, in 2019-2020, the Board establishes the following 4 working groups:

- Climate, sustainability and alternative development (Asger Narud, Annette Rohde, Karen Jørgensen, Stine Køijer) (from the council: Maja Louise Sørensen, Marie Uldall Thomsen (?))
- Strengthened global connectivity, including organizing (Andreas Dybkjær-Andersson, Annette Rohde, Sine Jensen, Stine Køijer)
- Increased diversity in the financial platform (Anders Hamming, Helle Munk Ravnborg)
- Spreading MS's activities in DK (Mahmoud Ismail, Khaterah Parwani)

The names of the participating Board members appear in the parenthesis.

Board and Council meet plan 2019-2020

The Board retreat will be taking place on September 14th to 15th. The Board retreat will be dedicated to strategic discussions of key themes. Each of the four sub-committees must thus prepare a discussion in relation to their theme on the Board retreat.

The Board retreat will be taken place on Fyn.

Climate, sustainability, alternatives will be the theme of the Council and membership day on November 23th, 2019.

SK and TRW will distribute the themes at the various meetings of the Board's meeting plan.

Work methods

- Digital solutions to participate via Skype need to be improved.
- Circles in the secretariat must be considered together with themes from the rolling political plan.

04. Council meeting 2019

Prior to the meeting, the Board had received a report on the evaluation of the Council meeting.

SK introduced agenda 4 and commented that it is a very positive evaluation overall.

A few remarks were made concerning the budget presentation. In relation to the presentation of the budget, the purpose of the presentation must be clearer during the preparation, and the time allocated in the program must reflect this.

The evaluation also shows satisfaction about the plenary discussions, but less satisfaction about the group discussions. On this background, it was suggested to consider using short discussions in pairs to prepare plenary discussions rather than larger group discussions.

The draft minutes Council meeting 2019 was approved without comments.

05. Constitution

Vice Chairperson: Mahmoud Ismail

AAI Representative: Andreas Dybkjær-Andersson.

Mary Consolata Namagambe and Steen Folke in backup group.

FAC: Dines Justesen and Anton Baare from the Council will be contacted.

External political representations:

KULU: It was decided that we will not renew our membership of KULU.

Dansk Flygtningehjælps repræsentantskab: Helle Munk Ravnborg and Andreas Dybkjær-Andersson

FN-Forbundet: Annette Rohde

Rådet for International konfliktløsning: Flemming Hansen

Rådet for Menneskerettigheder: Khaterah Parwarni

Københavns åbne gymnasium: Rasmus Kjær Slot

Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership Network: Steen Folke

Globalhagen Kitchen: Helle Munk Ravnborg

Futhermore, it was decided not to renew our membership of Dansk Folkeoplysnings Samråd.

An overview of the external political representation of the Secretariat was requested.

06. AAI Assembly 2019

Annette Rohde has been prevented from traveling to this year's AAI General Assembly in Ghana and Steen Folke participates on behalf of AADK.

Steen provided an orientation to the Board. The following key issues are on the agenda:

Elections to the AAI Board: Frans Mikael Jansen has submitted his candidacy for the election to the AAI board. There are 5 candidates for three seats.

Country Model Review: How should AA be present and where? What was previously termed "Hubs" has become "Centers of Excellence". AADK is one of them. Centers of Excellence must support some of the other AA countries that are not Centers of Excellence.

Motion from AAUK: The motion concerns suggestion of delegating power and politics to the International Board and away from the Assembly. Our stand is, that it might be necessary in certain situations, but not generally.

Sexual harassment: Draft policies on this issue.

The AADK supports all the issues mentioned in Steen's orientation.

The Board also expressed concern about the displacement of power and called for comment on the use of the term “Centers of Excellence” which the Board finds inappropriate.

07. News from AADK

FM19 - Well visited MS tent. It was really good that we have invited the people involved in and affected by the themes, who themselves were there to tell their story and what it means to them. Focus on SDG 10 Inequality and discrimination as well as responsible pension.

Parliamentary elections in DK - Our SoMe in connection with the election was a success. AADK is the NGO with the widest reach. About 5,000 new followers have been achieved. We also had dialogue and debate with SF, Radikale and Enhedslisten + Socialdemokratiet on formulation of points in connection with the government formation.

Aarhus - We have been contacted in relation to future opportunities regarding Gyngen in Mejlgade.

Music against racism - Great event at Rådshuspladsen in Copenhagen on May 23th. It is important to maintain the good contact with all the artists who supported us.

08. AOB

Nothing to report.

The meeting closed at 20:05

Adopted during the Board Meeting June 17th, 2019.