

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IRISH MUSEUM OF MODERN ART HELD AT THE
HILTON HOTEL, KILMAINHAM, DUBLIN 8 ON 14 JUNE 2022 AT 13.00 PM**

Present: David Harvey, Mary Apied, Dermod Dwyer, Emma Goltz, John Cunningham, Margot Lyons, Eva Kenny, Gerard Byrne

Apologies: None

In attendance: Annie Fletcher, Fintan McDonald (Company Secretary)

1 Conflict of Interest

All Directors confirmed that they had no conflict of interest in relation to the matters to be dealt with at this meeting.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Board Meeting held on 12th April 2022 were taken as read.

Minutes were approved unanimously

3 Matters arising

No matters arising.

4 Director's Report

- a) The Department has announced a grant for IMMA and the Crawford Gallery for the acquisition of artworks. IMMA will receive €850k. Further details are awaited. The Collections & Acquisitions Committee will now start the process of research so that guidelines for eligibility and selection can be issued.

The Board acknowledged the significant importance of this funding as the acquisition of art is a core element of IMMA's mission.

- b) The site is becoming busier with the Late Nights programme adding to the continuing IMMA Outdoors schedule. There are events every Thursday and Friday evening in the courtyard, the lecture theatre, the pavilion or in the galleries – talks, theatre, performance and music.
- c) The Otolith Group exhibition: Xenogenesis will open on 7th July. Minister Catherine Martin is scheduled to open the exhibition.
- d) The artist Navine G Kahn-Dossos has started to paint the colonnades in the courtyard as part of a summer of mural performance art.

- e) The book that will accompany the Otolith Exhibition has been launched in London and will be distributed in the UK. The launch was hosted by AF and Lucy Durack and was very positive and well-attended with representatives from several per institutes.
- f) The Meadows Concert season is proceeding as planned.
- g) The IMMA Summer Party – Continuous Patterns will take place on 15th & 16th July.
- h) The IMMA Summer School will take place in June/July
- i) The Commemorations Conference on Self-Determination will take place in November
- j) The Eco-Fair, Earth Rising, will take place over the weekend of 9-11th September. There were more than 90 applications from artists and designers to take part.
- k) The OPW has awarded the contract for North Range works. There will now be a six-week cooling off period, and a sub-tender for M&E works. It is hoped that works can commence in September.
- l) State Boards advertisement for 4 Board vacancies is to be published in July.

5 **Finance, Audit & Risk Committee update – ML**

1. The FARC committee met this morning 14th June.
2. A representative from the OCAG, external auditors, attended and delivered the report on the audit. The report was very positive with only one Management Letter point.
3. The Management Accounts were reviewed and are satisfactory.
4. The Risk Register was reviewed by the Committee and approved. The committee has asked the executive to review HR risks.
5. A submission for Capital funds has been made to the Department to support the development of a digital learning centre. The committee has asked the executive to present on the expected phased outcomes of this project.
6. The FARC Charter remains under review. The FARC is operating with three Board members and it will propose that this level be set as the standard when the new Charter is approved.

6 **Finance**

- a. Management Accounts – These were reviewed and are satisfactory. The forecast for the year remains close to the original budget and the management team is confident that there will be sufficient resources for the full year.

7 Risk Register

The Risk Register was circulated with the meeting papers. The main addition since the last meeting relates to potential impacts of formalising blended working arrangements.

The Board will schedule a more detailed discussion on the Risk Register for September to include a risk review of the new strategy.

8 IMMA Strategy 2022-26

The Strategy Draft has been discussed in detail by certain Board Members and the Museum Director over the past six weeks. This has led to several revisions that are now contained in the latest version.

The Board discussion focussed on:

- a. The wording of the Vision Statement. Some changes were made and others for proposed for consideration by the Executive.
- b. IMMA's core tenets. These were revised since the last meeting. Discussion centred on the wording of the Inclusion tenet and on the structure of these tenets.
- c. There was discussion on IMMA's global connectivity and whether adequate balance was being given to different audiences.
- d. IMMA as a catalyst for change was critiqued and changes were proposed.
- e. The slide on reaching beyond 2026 is to be incorporated into the Museum Director's introduction.

Following the discussion, the Board approved the IMMA Strategy 2022-26. The IMMA Executive may now move to finalise the documents, making minor adjustments as it sees fit. The Board is to be kept aware of any significant changes.

The target is to publish the Strategy by early September.

9 AOB

EK has been appointed to the Collections & Acquisitions Committee.

10 Close

The next meeting is scheduled for 13th September 2022.