

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IRISH MUSEUM OF
MODERN ART HELD AT THE HILTON HOTEL, KILMAINHAM, ON 14th February 2023 AT 11.00am**

Present: David Harvey, Mary Apied, Dermod Dwyer, Gerard Byrne, Margot Lyons, Eva Kenny,
Mike Fitzpatrick, Jess Majekodunmi, Ali Curran

Present via zoom: Emma Goltz, John Cunningham, Sinead O'Sullivan

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 Welcome

DH welcomed the new Board Members and looked forward to the energy and wisdom that their tenure would bring to the work of the Board.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Board Meeting held on 10th January 2023 were taken as read.

Minutes were proposed for approval by DD, seconded by MA and approved.

4 Matters arising

No matters arising.

5 Director's Report

- a. The Patricia Hurl exhibition, 'Irish Gothic' opened on 10th February and was very well attended. Patricia is an artist of high quality who has been largely overlooked to date.
- b. Sarah Pierce 'Scenes of the Myth' will open 23rd March to 3rd September. Sarah thinks about the community of the exhibition and will have a series of performances with a selected group to enact parts of the exhibition.
- c. Howardena Pindell – opens 29th June – is an Afro-American artist and film-maker.
- d. Kevin Mooney – 'Revenants' will close on 19th March.
- e. An exhibition of work from the PYMs Gallery in London - Championing Irish Art: The Mary and Alan Hobart Collection - will show from 6th April to 23rd July. This is an important to exhibition that looks at the act of collecting and the significance of a coherent collection.
- f. The recordings of the Self-Determination research conference were launched on-line in early February. The content and quality are of a very high standard.

- g. Acquisitions research and planning continues, and all potential purchases are reviewed in the light of the Acquisitions Strategy.
- h. Arrangements are being made for a number of Board members to visit the off-site storage unit. The current facilities are fit-for-purpose for the next few years. Consideration is being given to joining a project led by the National Museum to establish new shared storage facilities.
- i. The Art & Ageing programme is being re-launched as IMMA Horizons in June, to include high quality Art & Wellness programming.
- j. The Matheson Creative Hub project is advancing with submissions having been received from architects / designers. The aim is to announce the winner on 24th March.
- k. The recommendations from the MSPI audit report are being addressed. There is a possibility that IMMA may be able to gain full accreditation by the end of 2024.
- l. The recruitment processes for the Head of Programming and the Head of Research & Learning are now complete with very strong candidates having been offered the positions. It is hoped that this can be announced publicly in the next 2-3 weeks.

6 Finance, Audit & Risk Committee update – ML

ML presented a report to the Board, following the FAR Committee meeting of 7th February.

- i. The Internal Auditors attended the meeting and presented their Annual Assurance Report, their review of Audit recommendations, and the Internal Audit plan for 2023. The internal control system is deemed to be operating effectively and all outstanding audit recommendations have been cleared. Internal audits in 2023 will include Stakeholder Management, Workforce Management & Development, Procurement and Financial Controls. The FARC asked that the procurement audit be widened to include the contracting for revenue streams.
- ii. Management Accounts were reviewed and are satisfactory.
- iii. Budget 2023 was agreed in November 2022, but some estimates have now changed so the Budget will be re-cast and presented to the next FARC meeting.
- iv. The FARC Charter has been re-written and discussed at the last meeting. The Charter is incorporated in the latest version of the IMMA Corporate Governance Framework, and the Committee is recommending its acceptance.
- v. Recent discussion papers on Pensions and the satellite proposal to be circulated to the new Board members.

7 Finance

Management Accounts. A surplus is recorded for 2022. Support for high energy costs was received in December from the Department.

8 Procurement report 2022

A summary report was presented and discussed. The detailed report was reviewed by the FARC and was found to be satisfactory, but the FAR Committee will return to this area with the Internal Audit report later in the year.

9 Risk Register

The latest version of the Risk Register was discussed. A number of changes since the previous version were highlighted. The matter of high energy costs and inflation remain a significant concern.

10 Self-Assessment Report

All Board members completed this report in January. A schedule of the replies was included with the meeting papers. The Board asked that the observations be interrogated by the Executive and a report be produced for the next Board meeting.

11 Corporate Governance Framework

The latest update of the Framework was circulated. The Board approved the update.

12 Protected Disclosure Report

There were no protected disclosures in the year.

13 AOB

None.

14 Close

The next meeting is scheduled for 11th April 2023.

Chair