Minutes of ElectricAid Committee Meeting held on 28th November, 2017 Venue: Gateway 2 - Room 2.15

 Present:
 JF
 TP
 GF
 PC

 HB
 ML
 ALeC
 PK

 FO'D
 TM
 JL
 PH

JK ÉS AH ND (By Phone)

EF (By Phone)

Apologies: PC, GM and NO'L who was due to attend as an observer.

Item	Descr	iption	Action by
Welcome	TP welcomed and thanked everyone	e for attending in such large numbers.	
Conflict of Interest Declarations	No conflict of was recorded.		
Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	 she said was incredibly impressiv "green light" to JF to proceed with fu The Minutes of the 26th September 	m Association complex for adults which e. Her positive affirmation gave the nding this project. 7, 2017 ElectricAid Committee meeting seconded by PH and signed by TP,	
Financial Report November, 2017 - HB	through ESB payroll were maintaine from pensioners in respect of the received pensioners in respect of the received from the second from Revenue and how merceived from Paymes to be. JF to said anyone who hasn't signed lasts for 5 years, will receive one in the Re: 3rd Payee Approvers Propose Australia, a vacancy has arisen for the existing list of approvers. His relation to Bank of Ireland Business ALC move from Payment Approvers and First and second Approvers and Approvers and ALC be joint second Approvers. His first Approver and ÉS second Approvers Anthony LeCourriard - Lead Pearse Crilly	of €1,900 paid into the bank in June is p by JF. d receipts are running behind last year. nature of when tax rebate funding is uch it will amount to. As a result, this Revenue rebate is no longer received keep an eye on this. up/received an Enduring Cert, which the New Year. al: Following the recent move of MB to a third Payee Approver to be added to B proposes the following changes in on Line r to Payee Approver. Payees at the same time. parate overs Approver. Payment Approvers Hilary Boyse - Lead Éadaoin Smith	HB/JF JF
	Gareth Fox Tina Pittock	Joe Lawlor	

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Financial Report November, 2017 (continued) – HB	Proposed for adoption by	/ TM and sec	conded by PK.	All were in favour.	
	INCOME	ELECTRI AND EXPEN	ICAID DITURE ACCO	<u>UNT</u>	
	Managem	nent Accounts	s 31 st October, 2	2017	
	INCOME NOTE	31/10/2017	FY Forecast	Full Year 2016	
		€	€	€	
	ESB Current Staff ESB Pensioners ESB Board Contributions Miscellaneous Contributions EirGrid Matching Funding EirGrid Funding	334,823 193,964 250,000 48,671 - 8,831	396,823 226,964 250,000 51,181 7,788 11,681	390,968 204,696 250,000 37,420 27,288 12,385	
	Bank Interest Received Tax Rebate Bequest Special Appeal	178,005	230,000	237,102	
	Total Income	1,014,294	1,174,436	1,159,860	
	Donations				
	January Funding March Funding May Funding July Funding September Funding November Funding	136,089 198,726 175,594 204,656 166,781	136,089 198,726 175,594 204,656 166,781 180,000	181,172 185,303 177,921 211,402 169,736 156,297	
	Total Normal Donations	881,846	1,061,846	1,081,831	
	Other Payments Bank Interest	891	1,069	3,410	
	Special Appeals Miscellaneous Expenses	110,000 245	110,009 110,000 245	62,384 1,923	
	Total Donations	992,982	1,173,160	1,149,547	
	Excess of Expenditure over Income	21,312	1,276	10,313	
	Bank Balance	278,493			

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Evaluation Report and Proposed Fundings - JF	Description EvalCo met on 14.11.2017, under the chairmanship of ALC. There was a full attendance, with the exception of TP, who was unable to attend. A daunting total of 33 applications were considered, to a total application value of €341,854. Treasurer Guidance was set at €180,000, so EvalCo had a challenging task, as the quality of the applications was generally good. Geographical distribution of applications was good, with 24 received from Sub-Saharan Africa (4 each for Uganda and Malawi, 3 each for Kenya and Ethiopia), 3 from Asia, 2 from Latin America, and 4 from Ireland. 2 applications were deferred, and 7 rejected, including one from a Special Partner. EvalCo recommend 24 projects (3 in full, 21 in part), to a total recommended funding value of €173,567, well within Treasurer Guidance. The following projects (17-A-119, 17-A-130, 17-A-135, and 17-A-140) were recommended subject to additional information/clarification, which has been received in all cases. Recommended projects are as follows. 17-H-007 €5,000 17-H-015 €3,630 17-A-106 €9.395 17-A-111 €8,000 17-A-114 €3,450 17-A-119 €6,316 17-A-120 €5,000 17-A-131 €7,500 17-A-132 €8,000 17-A-133 €9,180 17-A-134 €13,300 17-A-135 €8,000 17-A-136 €7,000 17-A-136 €7,000 17-A-137 €6,788 17-A-140 €8,4610 17-A-139 €6,738 17-A-141 €8,903 17-A-142 €7,000 17-A-144 €9,000 17-A-145 €8,000	
	Proposed by ÉS and seconded by JL.	
Risk - TP	No further risks were raised by the Committee.	
Membership - JF	 JF said he had been hoping for a marginal increase in membership but got a marginal decrease instead. Intake from the 2016 Graduate Programme in the National Concert Hall was slightly better than 2017 Programme in Croke Park. Reference was made to the success of the recent EirGrid promotion work. 	

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Membership (continued) - JF	A discussion followed on the whole area of membership. ESB Networks North-West is considered a good target area for membership. ALC to talk to HR Networks to find a way of packaging and launching an effective recruitment drive in the North-West. Monday morning core briefings in Networks North-West are to be considered.	ALC
	 In an effort to retain existing staff members on retirement, JF sends a personal letter to those close to their 60th birthday. When addressing graduates and apprentices, he presents a message tailored to that age group. His consistent key message is that the money goes to the source and is matched by ESB and EirGrid. 	
	The question of a suitable App for a mobile device to target younger people was raised.	
	A Screen Saver message and Video to be considered.	
	Committee members were invited to think of ways of targeting new members and to email their ideas on how to do so in advance of the January Committee meeting.	ALL
	JF to do an analysis of gains and losses in the make-up of membership.	JF
Special Appeal Update	 The East Africa/South Asia Special Appeal has raised a final total €61,600, which is an excellent result. ESB matching funding realised a very generous €11,750. Funds raised by participants at the Power Challenge, and at the Book/CD/DVD/Art Sale were directed to the Appeal. The exceptional generosity of retired members and supporters was acknowledged with gratitude. €60,000 was paid out in early October to a number of deserving projects from the proceeds of the Appeal and the balance of €1,500 was paid in early November. The €35,000 committed to East Africa brings ElectricAid's total response in 2017 to this emergency to €76,000 (including its initial €20,000 and the entire proceeds (€21,000) of the "Leaving Fitzwilliam" Sale. JF stressed this is a response the entire ESB community can take real pride in. Well done to all! Attention was drawn to an MSF event on 5th December in the Royal Hibernian Academy. JF to circulate detail to the Committee. TP thanked JF for all his hard work. 	JF
Data Protection Compliance Plan - FO'D	 The Data Protection (DP) Sub-Group, TP and FO'D, have met a number of times to discuss this topic. So far, they have Created a Register of Data Protection activities, e.g. meetings of the Sub-Group, DP training/conferences attended, committee meetings where DP was discussed, etc. Created a DP Breach Notification Log for recording any breaches that arise. Identified the Data Protection roles within ElectricAid. Created a DP Compliance Action List. A discussion followed on the demands of Data Protection. In summary, ElectricAid's handling of personal data must comply with the following eight "Rules": 	

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Data Protection Compliance Plan	Obtain and process the information fairly.	
(continued) - FO'D	Keep the information only for one or more specified and lawful purpose.	
	Process the information only for in ways compatible with the purpose(s) for which it was given to ElectricAid initially.	
	Keep it safe and secure.	
	Keep the personal data accurate and up to date.	
	Ensure that the personal data is adequate, relevant and not excessive, e.g. shouldn't have a person's Date of Birth.	
	Retain the personal data for no longer than is necessary for the specified purpose, or purposes, for which it was obtained. "Just in case" should not exist.	
	Upon request, give a copy of his/her personal data to the individual.	
	 JF to carry out a cleansing of all data ElectricAid has to ensure all personal data it holds on current members is stored in one location/folder and is password protected with access given to ElectricAid office staff members (JF and possibly one other) and authorised Committee members (TBA) only. 	JF
	 Also, when a member terminates their membership any personal data ElectricAid has on that individual should be deleted. JF to ensure all data that is not required is disposed of carefully. 	JF
	Disclosure of Information – ElectricAid will not disclose an individual's personal data except in accordance with the legislation.	
	Sensitive personal data not to be held by ElectricAid.	
	Ultimate responsibility for Data Protection Policy lies with ElectricAid Committee.	ALL
	 All ElectricAid Committee Members are responsible for adhering to the policy and report any actual, suspected or potential personal data protection breaches. Any breaches need to be recorded from now on. 	ALL
	A common sense approach with good governance was suggested.	
	 Committee members were asked to read the recently circulated updated ElectricAid Data Protection Policy and get back to the Committee with comments by Friday 8th December. 	ALL
	More details of ElectricAid's DP Policy at the January 2018 ElectricAid Committee meeting.	FO'D

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Special Partners Review and current list of Partners - JF	Following a discussion and review of the current list of Special Partners, it was agreed to continue with the Special Partner programme as currently operated, as follows: Aidlink, Concern, EMSCO, GOAL, Kitovu Hospital, Partners in Health, Trócaire, PLAN Ireland, Vita, Christian Aid, City United Purpose, Gorta-SHA, SERVE, Irish Red Cross. Froposed for adoption by PK and seconded by ALC.	
Succession Planning - JF	During the absence of PCx on sick leave, JF drafted a Job Description and forwarded it to his Manager (SC) TP, PC and JL to meet SC in the next week to discuss.	SC/TP/ PCx/JL
Due Diligence Process/ Proposal - JF	 The background to this item is that as a result of recent scandals such as that at Console, ESB Energy for Generations (EFG) Fund has introduced tougher pre-funding requirements on successful applicants, prior to the release of funding. EFG Fund imposes differential requirements on fundings above and below €10,000. It should be noted that the requirement to submit documentation is being met, but that currently there is no detailed, effective scrutiny and interrogation of the submitted material. For ElectricAid purposes, the following questions were discussed: 1. The need for increased Due Diligence on ElectricAid applicants and whether it would reduce the risk of applicant fraud. 2. The practicality of all additional information requests applying to Irish NGO's and overseas applicants. 3. Whether Due Diligence requirements would further constrict the success chances of small community-based indigenous NGO's. 4. And whether ElectricAid has the resources to effectively implement such requirements. So far, as a result of the new measures, administrative load has increased as has the length of time between approval and funding, by about 2 weeks. While no formal recommendations were made, it was considered essential for ElectricAid to: 	

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Due Diligence Process/ Proposal - continued - JF	 Also, as a result of the discussion, the following Actions Items were suggested: Implement a Due Diligence requirement on successful applicants, pre-funding. This to be contained to (a) Irish applicants for Irish projects, (b) UK applicants, and (c) Special Partners. 	JF
	 Agenda item for review in 2/3 meetings time Proposed by PK and seconded by PH. 	АН
Ghana Project Update - TP	TP said the first draft of the Spec/BOQ documents have been received for 3 schools. TP is to discuss with the Architect. The scope of the work has changed due to work already done on the toilet blocks by another charity/third party.	TP
	Next step is to finalise BOQ and prepare tender documents. TP to report at January 2018 ElectricAid Committee meeting.	TP
Desk Audits - JF	While JF is disappointed with having received only 11 out of 18 desk audit reports, he is, nevertheless, happy with the content and quality of what he has received. He requested that outstanding audits be submitted ASAP.	
2018 Meeting Schedule - JF	The 2018 ElectricAid Meeting Schedule is available at the end of this and all ElectricAid Minutes.	
AOB - JF	 TP recently paid a visit to the Release Prison Partnership in Gardiner Row, which she found to be very well run. She mentioned the importance of a neutral venue for families and prisoners as well as the beneficial courses available in Parenting and Recovery. JF referred to a letter he received from a Cork member with a donation for the East Africa Appeal, and a concern she had about the expense of producing ElectricAid's Annual Report. Following a discussion by the Committee, it was decided to investigate a step down, environmentally friendly and more economical option before replying to her. ESB's "90 for 90" Challenge: To celebrate ESB's 90th birthday, ESB's Energy for Generations Fund donated €90,000 to 6 charities. Staff were invited to get active and clock 90km which then entitled them to vote for one of six charities below. Every 90km clocked gained additional votes. The chosen charities were: 1. ElectricAid 2. Aware 3. Aware Northern Ireland 4. Cosán Virtual Community College 5. Simon Communities of Ireland 6. Red Cross The outcome resulted in ElectricAid receiving €15,000, which was very gratefully received. 	JF

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AOB - continued	• ElectricAid Website: JF again referred to ElectricAid website and the "good stuff" that is available therein, and encouraged greater Committee use of and familiarity with the site. A competition for visitors, to encourage increased site traffic, will launch in December - marking the 3 rd anniversary of its launch. Excellent prizes have been sponsored by ESB Corporate, MPF and SAVVI.	
	JF to send information to EF in EirGrid.	JF
	 TP extended her apologies for her non-availability for the next EvalCo meeting. 	
	JK wished TP all the very best in her forthcoming wedding.	
	 JF to circulate a date and venue for Christmas drink - at no expense to ElectricAid. 	JF
	TP thanked everyone for their attendance.	
	Next meeting: 23 rd January, 2018.	

Meeting Schedule for 2018

ElectricAid 2018 Meeting Schedule	Application Deadline	EvalCo	Committee	Other Meetings	
	13.12.2017	09.01.2018	23.01.2018		
	20.02.2018	06.03.2018	20.03.2018		
1				01.05.2018 (AGM)	
	24.04.2018	15.05.2018	29.05.2018		
				26.06.2018 (Risk)	
	25.06.2018	10.07.2018	24.07.2018		
				21.08.2018 (Planning & Strategy)	
	27.08.2018	11.09.2018	25.09.2018		
	30.10.2018	13.11.2018	27.11.2018		