## Minutes of ElectricAid Committee Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 Venue: Gateway 2, Room 4.15

Present:	PK	DF	JK
	T McM	ÉS	PH
	A LeC	FF	GM
	D Ó'D	BK	ТМ
	PC	AH	VM (Student)

Apologies: HB, DB and ND

Item	Description		
Introduction	ÉS introduced VM (Student).		
Conflict of Interest Declarations	No conflict of interest was recorded		
Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	<ul> <li>ÉS to touch base with CR and PC (ESB International).</li> <li>Financial report prepared by HB for December 2018 not circulated. HB has been busy finalising accounts for the annual audit of accounts ahead of the ElectricAid 2018 AGM.</li> <li>Clarification to be sought by FF from HB regarding the typo in relation to the loss of members in the space of six months.</li> <li>It was confirmed that ElectricAid members going on VS or retirement continue to have deductions made unless they decide to opt out. PC to check with LB from Marketing (Electric Ireland).</li> <li>The Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2019 ElectricAid Committee meeting were proposed for adoption by JK, seconded by TMcM and signed by the Chair and Secretary.</li> </ul>	ÉS FF PC	
ElectricAid Office Update - FF/DF	<ul> <li>FF briefly went through a slide show presentation on</li> <li>Full year fundings 2019 - YTD</li> <li>Breakdown by Country</li> <li>Communications</li> <li>GDPR and</li> <li>Membership</li> <li>as follows</li> <li>Funding for Period and Year to Date</li> <li>Fundings YTD: 38 (4 in Ireland and 34 worldwide) Value YTD: €358,101 Average per Project: €9,423 Different Countries: 21</li> <li>Performance year to date - Kenya 6 this year - Uganda 3. Ireland is the next biggest. Breakdown of Performance YTD of countries funded is as follows:</li> </ul>		

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	Outstanding 2015	20 €114,461	19 €107,481	1 €6,980	
	Outstanding 2016	15 €96,190	14 €96,190	1 €6,000	
	Outstanding 2017	43 €300,280	23 €151,491	20 €148,789	
	Totals	78 €510,931	56 €349,162	22 €161,789	
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		Active 1,487			Retired 1,002		
		Yes 480 32%	No 1,007 68%	Yes 577 58%	No 425 42%		
			Total Yes 1,0	57 (42%)			
			Total No. 1,4	32 (58%)			
		what car	n and can't b invitation to	e done in rel	series of questio ation to GDPR. T committee membe	here is	FF/ All
			epare a list c ElectricAid C		ction questions to comment.	o share	FF
		Communication	ons Report:				
	<ul> <li>ESB CSR's Yammer Account opened at the end of June 2018. (Known as Buzz in EirGrid).</li> </ul>						
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Financial Report	Other Payments	P				
March, 2019-És	Bank Interest Special Appeals Write off	142 -	849 40,000			
	Total Donations	77,638	1,088,346			
	Excess of Expenditure over income	(22,529)	3,009			
	Bank Balance	215,871				
	Creditors pending payment	44,639				
Evaluation Report and Proposed	<ul> <li>EvalCo met on 05.03.2019, c JL, PK, JK, DF and FF, with G</li> </ul>					
Fundings - continued - ALC	<ul> <li>32 funding applications were € €335,396.</li> </ul>	considered, to a to	otal application value of			
	The geographical distribution countries broken down as follo		applications from 17			
		kistan, Rwanda,	onduras, India, Ireland, Somaliland 1 each; Uganda 5; Nepal and			
	<ul> <li>27 applications for funding we part. Five applications were results is €268,994</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Funding is made up of €25 previously agreed funding v project with approval from Ele</li> </ul>	hich has been				
	The following projects were approved:					
	$19-H-001$ $\in 5,000$ $19-H-024$ $\in 14,300$ $19-A-023$ $\in 6,542$ $19-A-021$ $\in 9,728$ $19-A-019$ $\in 13,026$ $19-A-019$ $\in 13,026$ $19-A-018$ $\in 10,080$ $19-A-016$ $\in 10,080$ $19-A-016$ $\in 10,080$ $19-A-014$ $\in 14,840$ $19-A-013$ $\in 8,963$ $19-A-012$ $\in 9,931$ $19-A-012$ $\in 9,931$ $19-A-010$ $\in 14,532$ $19-A-009$ $\in 13,529$ $19-A-005$ $\notin 9,540$ $19-A-004$ $\in 6,970$ $19-A-002$ $\in 8,263$ $19-A-100$ $\in 4,500$ $19-A-108$ $\in 3,400$ $19-A-110$ $\notin 4,500$ $19-A-125$ $\in 8,000$ $19-A-145$ $\in 8,547$ $19-A-145$ $\in 8,547$ $19-A-139$ $\in 6,667$ $19-A-138$ $\in 8,460$ $19-A-136$ $\in 12,698$ $19-A-059$ $\in 9,765$					

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Evaluation Report and Proposed	• FF to circulate an application/letter from Opportunity Knox (Uganda) recommended by a retired staff member - an Irish organisation.	FF
Fundings - continued - ALC	<ul> <li>Nepal and JC: €3,400 (19-A-008) reallocated to a playground project - which was brought to EvalCo.</li> </ul>	
	Nepal school: same work - different school. (18-A-059)	
	<ul> <li>Action Aid - look at education programme female genital mutilation - to come back to FF.</li> </ul>	
	Proposed by PC and seconded by BK.	
Evaluation Committee Review of Processes: ÉS/FF	• EvalCo met on 29 <sup>th</sup> January for the Review of Processes. As a result, existing Rules have been re-established; there is now greater clarity re Referees, and the submission of Project reports. The Review is now complete.	
AGM Requirements	• ÉS said the AGM date of 1 <sup>st</sup> May is dependent on the availability of ElectricAid audited accounts. Year-end financial have been prepared by HB and forwarded to Moore Stephens, Auditors, who are due to begin the audit shortly. Audited ElectricAid figures will be formally adopted at the April AGM.	
	• Moore Stephens are in their 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of a three year contract for MPF and ElectricAid audits. Group Internal Audit to review the appointment or reappointment of auditors for the next 3 years.	
	<ul> <li>HB has already indicated her intention to step down as Financial Controller. She is being replaced by T McK who has been acting as Deputy Treasurer. The vacancy on the Committee resulted from GF resignation in July 2018.</li> </ul>	
	• There are no Officer or Trustee elections this year. As usual, all Committee positions are up for election at the AGM. Committee members are invited to email ÉS, ASAP, letting her know whether they are interested in putting their name forward for election to the ElectricAid Committee.	
	<ul> <li>It was decided that the election of Graduates be kept separately i.e. until their programme finishes.</li> </ul>	
	• FF to ensure one month's notice is given for the ElectricAid AGM.	FF
	• FF to send out formal notices re ElectricAid AGM by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> April at the latest, (one month in advance of AGM) utilising ElectricMail, The Hub, EirGrid media, emails, bulletin boards and by writing to all retired ElectricAid members.	
	• There is unlikely to be changes to the Constitution this year. Any changes should be published 3 weeks in advance of the AGM.	
	• FF to circulate a copy of the Constitution to all Committee members.	FF
	<ul> <li>Re: Guest Speaker at AGM - FF to enquire if EW (Street Children in India) would like to speak at the AGM. Other suggestions to be forwarded to FF.</li> </ul>	FF All

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"Think Big - Bolder Boards" Update - ÉS	• Following the "Think Big - Bolder Boards" workshop facilitated by FE, on 14 <sup>th</sup> March, 2019, ÉS invited a representative from the different stakeholder groups to give a synopsis of ideas discussed. The following, which are in no particular order, were among the topics discussed:	
	Recruitment and retention of staff by maintaining a healthy supply of new members. Identification of staff about to retire in line with GDPR regulations; make greater use of their skills and time when retired.	
	Look at attitudes, perception and engagement with ElectricAid and how to address the perceived detachment between donors and members.	
	Raise awareness by having tasks for members to do. It was felt that effective engagement would have the potential to help maintain membership and open doors to local and global charities.	
	<ul> <li>Relaunch communications campaign.</li> </ul>	
	Use local teams to interact with Network by making ElectricAid local for them.	
	Look for strong contacts in different locations by developing local Reps and Champions and getting them involved early on. Apply locally for project funding.	
	Use every situation as a marketing opportunity for ElectricAid. Tie in with events in ESB/EirGrid, e.g. Christmas Shoebox appeal. PC to approach Marketing. Look at ideas for marketing; work on a ten word slogan and small tagline. Meet with Marketing for guidance on options for other tasks.	PC ÉS
	Develop and design the Application Process from a local representative perspective	
	Organise Workshop with existing and non-members as well as with Charities being funded.	ÉS
	FE, Facilitator, posed a challenging question by asking Workshop attendees what ElectricAid can do in the next 60 days. He has kindly offered more time to help ElectricAid to think bigger and bolder.	
	Define Mission Statement and form Sub-Committee to draft a new Mission Statement.	
	Work on a new Brand for ElectricAid. ÉS encouraged attendees at the ElectricAid Committee meeting to pair ideas and be as creative as possible.	
	FF to devise a short Survey using the survey marketing account. FF to meet PC to help prepare the Draft Survey.	FF/PC
	Set targets and have pathways to achieve them. Have a model that moves along regardless of Committee members.	
	User Partner videos on previously funded programmes for social media/news posts. FF to request from Partners.	FF

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"Think Big - Bolder Boards" Update - continued	Personalise news items on projects delivered, e.g. name of a person impacted and their story. Should be provided by partners - FF to request.	
- ÉS	FF to circulate Bolder Boards output to the full ElectricAid Committee.	FF
Risk - ÉS	No risks were recorded.	
Desk Audits Update - FF	• FF reminded relevant Committee members that completed Desk Audits are required for the upcoming annual audit by Moore Stephens.	Cttee
AOB - FF	Gataka Solar - Progress Update on 15-A-193	
	FF has made two unsuccessful attempts to get in contact. Formal complaint to be considered. JK to summarise sequence of events.	FF/JK
	Malawi and Zimbabwe Emergency: FF to circulate emergency appeal documentation to ElectricAid Committee for function and a response by end of the week.	
	<ul> <li>Concern WASH Engineers will be in Ireland on 18<sup>th</sup> June. Proposed meet him/her - lunch and learn with a view to doing something.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>TMcM going to Ghana at the week-end to review an ongoing project there. Suggested she interview a child with a view to posting it to website.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>PH said she attended an interesting meeting re Syria. She expresses her disappointed that the Irish Government only accepted 300 Syria refugees.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>PH has submitted Dr. Trish Scanlan for a "Presidential Distinguisher Service Award for Irish Abroad", under the umbrella of ElectricAid, for her selfless and tireless humanitarian life saving oncology work at the Children's Cancer Centre, Muhimbili National Hospital, Dar-ess Salaam, Tanzania. (Award Category – Charitable Works).</li> </ul>	
	JC invited to attend the May ElectricAid Committee meeting.	
	<ul> <li>ElectricAid AGM meeting will be on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2019 Gateway 2 - Conference Room 3 p.m.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The next ElectricAid Committee meeting will be on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 Gateway 2 – Room 4.15 4 p.m.</li> </ul>	

2019 Meeting Schedule overleaf

## Meeting Schedule/Deadlines/Committee Meetings for 2019

Application Deadline	EvalCo	Executive Committee	Other meetings
			01.05.2019 (AGM) Wed
23.04.2019	14.05.2019	28.05.2019	
Tues	Tues	Tues	
			25.06.2019 (Risk) Tues
26.06.2019	09.07.2019	23.07.2019	
Wed.	Tues	Tues	
			20.08.2019 - Tues (Planning & Strategy)
28.08.2019	10.09.2019	24.09.2019	
Wed	Tues	Tues	
29.10.2019	12.11.2019	26.11.2019	
Tues	Tues	Tues	