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# General Meeting Minutes

# Tuesday, 20 March 2018

10h00 – 12h00

**Welcome,** Ashley Roche | [president@natocharitybazaar.org](mailto:president@natocharitybazaar.org)

* Approval of minutes from the General Assembly Meeting on 23 January 2018: Motion made seconded and approved (with addition of Turkey as present)
* Four new board members voted in (Berthold Malms, Patricia Guedes, Petra Havrankova, Nevena Sic), renewal of Serge Devynck: motion made, seconded and approved.
* Updates to statutes and internal regulations voted: motion made, seconded and approved. Votes for: 33 votes against:0 Abstentions: 0
* Charity application voted: motion made, seconded and approved. Votes for: 33 Votes against: 0 Abstentions: 0
* Members’ guide provides all the information required for members. Please pass it on to all new members. Website password must be obtained dorectly from a board member.

**Treasurer Update**, Alessandra Foresti Bertozzi | [treasurer@natocharitybazaar.org](mailto:treasurer@natocharitybazaar.org)

* NCB bazaar actvities: 187.362 euros total contributions
* Fundraising events (country specific): an important part of the effort
* Sponsors contribution: 26.000 euros
* Fundraising events (bake sales, etc.): 9.647 euro
* Total raised: 223.009 euros (a new record!)
* Funds donated: 221.820 euro, 11 Belgian and 23 international charities funded
* Administrative expenses: 1376 euros (877 real expenses)
* Overall financial statement for the financial year 1 march 2017 to 28 february 2018 voted: motion made, seconded and approved.
* Proposed budget for 2018 same as last year.
  + Question raised about reasoning in maintaining the same expectations given the new location and the many changes. Response was that this is the standard proposed budget. This is not a public number and is only a benchmark. Offer to change the ”charity donations” budget. No proposals suggested.
  + Motion made to leave as is, seconded and approved. Votes for 28.

**Bazaar 2018,** Ashley Roche | [coordinator@natocharitybazaar.org](mailto:coordinator@natocharitybazaar.org)

* New information: proposed new space in the staff centre, and current negotiation for cover tennis courts. Another proposal to allow the bazzaar in the public space of the main building. These options need to be discussed and reviewed. But there are options available to ensure we will have the same or more space as previous years. There is strong support for the bazaar.
* Extra sales (bake sales etc.): these will continue as possible, after the move. Not currently possible in the public space, but the cafeteria is an option under discussion. Staff centre is also an option.
* Proposed date change: current date 18 November 2018
  + vote to keep current date: motion made, seconded and approved. Votes against: 1

**Charity Update,** Serge Devnyck | [charity@natocharitybazaar.org](mailto:charity@natocharitybazaar.org)

* 2018 Charity Application
  + Charity application process is open
  + Application available on webpage
  + Deadline 1 May 2018 12:00 (noon)

**Bake Sales and Events,** Petra Kammerer and Anja Malms| [Petra.kaemmerer@gmx.de](mailto:Petra.kaemmerer@gmx.de)

* Art Fair: 203 euros
* Bake Sale: 1861.16 euros
* Next events will be in the new building

**Any other Business & Closing,** Ashley Roche | [president@natocharitybazaar.org](mailto:president@natocharitybazaar.org)

* 2018 Board members needed
* Meeting Dates: General Assemblies
  + April 24
  + May 10
  + June 18 (Monday)
* Any other business
  + There have been problems accessing the webpage. This being looked into. In the meantime the membership form is always attached to the invitation.

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| **date: 20 March 2018** |  |
| **Nation** | **Present** |
| Albania | Y |
| Armenia |  |
| Artists' Corner |  |
| Austria | Y |
| Azerbaijan |  |
| Belgium |  |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina | Y |
| Blugaria | Y |
| Canada | Y |
| Croatia | Y |
| Czech Republic | Y |
| Denmark |  |
| Estonia | Y |
| Finland | Y |
| France |  |
| Georgia | Y |
| Germany | Y |
| Greece | Y |
| Hungary | Y |
| Iceland |  |
| Italy | Y |
| Kazakhstan | Y |
| Latvia | Y |
| Lithuania | Y |
| Luxembourg |  |
| Montenegro | Y |
| Netherlands | Y |
| NIC | Y |
| Norway | Y |
| Poland | Y |
| Portugal | Y |
| Romania | Y |
| Serbia | Y |
| Slovakia | Y |
| Slovenia | Y |
| Spain | Y |
| Sweden | Y |
| Switzerland | Y |
| Tajikistan |  |
| The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | Y |
| Turkey | Y |
| Ukraine |  |
| United Kingdom | Y |
| United States |  |
| Hon. President |  |
| Hon. Vice President |  |