



Columbia International Relations Council and Association

CIRCA E-Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 28th, 2020

Time: 9-10:30 PM EST

Location: Zoom

- I. Attendance: Anna, Katie, Gabe, Raya, Katy, Janine, Silas, Mwan, Maria, Alex, Katherin, Olivia, Owen
- II. Branch updates! I was running late from SM Board so I was getting set up and couldn't get these recorded, but they are on the form, so sorry I will set up the Meeting Minutes before the meeting next time :)
- III. President Updates:
 - A. If you haven't done Enough is Enough yet DO IT PLEASE :))
 - B. Do the SOKA Assessment as well
 - C. Simone meeting - FRIDAY 1 PM! Please be there so our funds don't get frozen :)
 - D. Continue to promote the Community Forum & the new website & Discord & ask your members if they got the newsletter → make these your beginning of branch updates!
 - E. Send events to Katie if you want them on the socials but also add to the g-cal so that it auto loads to the website
 - F. Remind your interviewers about the anonymous reporting forms
 - G. Check to make sure you got the newsletter from the the President email and if you didn't, get the emails out of the digest
 - H. Try to have the newsletter spreadsheet filled out by Saturday 8 PM
 - I. Club Fair - Friday 10-noon, Sunday 8 PM - 10 PM → Sign up for representation for your branch at both sessions - eboard members should try to be at at least one
- IV. More meet eboard events? → Change virtual office hours to "Coffee Chats" and have people sign up in advance → the office hours will also be an opportunity to for people to ask questions about the new amendment! → Thursday night and Saturday Morning
- V. What to do about Now!Here?
 - A. Get rid of it! It hasn't had a rep in several years and no interest in it
 - B. Turn it into a casual scrapbook for our virtual semester
 - C. It's not necessarily that there's been no interest - there's been a failure of leadership - give the option to the members first and find a creative way to reimagine it!

- D. Use it as a secondary option for people who aren't able to get involved with CPR or CAFA this semester
- E. Also constitutionally we are supposed to have someone in that position
- F. Did Now!Here have a board? Well it was largely like a blog originally - the Bwog of CIRCA to CPR as Spec, so no real board, just the editor.
- G. The travel blog is an obsolete relic of the early 2000s - does CIRCA have the bandwidth to maintain this? Is there truly interest in it?
- H. Just have SM Board make the scrapbook instead, put Now!Here on the chopping block!
- I. But Now!Here wasn't just articles, it's graphically and design heavy as well → these are things that CPR as big as it is struggles to fill → will there actually be an applicant pool for it?
- J. Let's make sure that we communicate to the members what it is so they have a say!

VI. Motion to delete all mentions of Now!Here from the Constitution → 4 branches to 3 branches, this motion passes (unless the members ask to save it during the amendment review)

VII. FINAL REMINDER OF BRANCH UPDATES: announce website , and check they received newsletter and community forum to your branches! and mentor mentee form, and cesims apps and discord

- A. And remember to come to the Club Fair slot you signed up for and the Simone meeting!