

AMENDMENTS TO ILGA BOARD PROPOSALS FOR AMENDING THE STANDING ORDERS

BSO 1.4.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 1.4 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

Typo.

Proposed amendment

Replace “minutes” with “minuted”

BSO 1.5.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 1.5 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

All provisions are subject to the Standing Orders, without exception. Stating that here explicitly would create doubt if other provisions are not subject to the Standing Orders.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

The functions of the Chairing Pool, ~~subject to these Standing Orders,~~ shall be to: [...]

BSO 2.1.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.1 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comments

1. Decision-making is not the right term, since this workshop cannot take decisions on its own. It can only recommend decisions to the plenary. Therefore we would propose to use another term, e.g. “Policy workshop” or “Governance Workshop”.
2. Typo.

Proposed amendment:

Change “Decision-Making Workshop” to “Policy Workshop”

Warning:

If this is accepted, it will have consequences for the rest of the texts. To avoid a lot of boring amendments, we have not elaborated these consequences.

BSO 2.2.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.2 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

The main part of this provision has also been proposed under BS02.4 where has been more elaborated (and where chairing of a workshop by more than one person is also accepted). Therefore we propose to delete this part.

Proposed amendment

Delete text as follows:

~~All workshops and caucuses will be chaired by a person acceptable to those present at the workshop or caucus. If no chair is agreed the workshop/caucus may not proceed. The chair of the workshop/caucus will ensure the smooth running of the meeting.~~

BSO 2.3.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.3 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comments

1. This might be read as a directive to the conference organisers to ensure that every conference shall include at least one skill-sharing, one educational and one informational workshop. We do not think that this is meant.
2. The phrase “There are also caucuses.” has been deleted. Since this is the place where the different types of meetings are introduced in the Standing Orders, we do not think it is appropriate to delete the wording about caucuses.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

*The conference programme shall also include skill-sharing, educational **or** informational workshops directly related to the work and development of ILGA and its members. These workshops may report to the Conference for information, but may not submit recommendations directly to a plenary session. **The conference programme may also include caucuses.***

BSO 2.4.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.4 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comments

1. How will workshops decide if a chair (or chairs) are acceptable? Should we allow someone to take revenge after an unhappy love affair by attending the workshops to be chaired by the persons who s/he is angry with, and veto the chairing by this person? We do not want one person to veto the chairing of another one.
2. We think that minute-taker is a hyphenated word and that the plural “recommendations” in “any recommendations” is confusing. We would also recommend shorter sentences. (Language)

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

*All decision-making, skill-sharing, educational and informational workshops and caucuses will be chaired by a person or persons acceptable to **the majority of** those present at the workshop or caucus. **The function of these chairpersons** will be to ensure the smooth running of the workshop, the appointment of a **minute-taker** and the recording of any recommendations.*

BSO 2.8.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.8 (SO4.6.1) from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comments

1. It may seem obvious from the context, but we think it would be best to explicitly tell that caucuses are part of the conference.
2. "Meeting together"? Isn't that a contamination? "Meeting" would be sufficient.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

During the conference, any collective body may meet ~~together~~ to discuss any subject of mutual interest. Such a meeting shall be called a caucus meeting. **If the proponents of a caucus want to, announcements about caucuses will be part of the announcements about the conference programme.**

BSO 2.8.2 Proposed amendment to BSO 2.8 (SO4.6.4) from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

This wording seems to imply that there is one Decision-Making Workshop on proposals. We think that more workshops like this could be part of the conference programme.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows (taking into consideration the previous comment on BSO2.1):

*A caucus meeting may include recommendations on proposals on the agenda. However, if it wishes to recommend changes to any proposals on the agenda, any such recommendations shall initially be considered by **a Policy Workshop** on proposals before being considered by the plenary.*

BSO 3.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 3 (SO5.1) from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

Typo and language.

Proposed amendment

*A full member **organisation** which is not represented at the Conference and which would otherwise be entitled to vote, may nominate a person attending the Conference or one of the Secretariats to exercise by proxy the vote or votes to which the organisation is entitled, in accordance **with** SO6.*

BSO 3.2 Proposed amendment to BSO 3 (SO5.5) from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comments

1. The Secretariats are not persons, but functions.
2. “the member” is not absolutely clear: it can mean the member organisation to whom the votes are transferred, or it can mean the member organisation whose votes are transferred from the secretariats to another member organisation.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

*The Secretariats may nominate **conference participants** to exercise those proxy votes nominated to it, provided **the member organisation that transferred its votes to the Secretariats has agreed to this proxy vote transfer** in advance in writing.*

BSO 4.1.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 4.1 from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

“in all cases” is understandable if you look at the past. However, we need to consider that this text will be read as it is and not in comparison with previous versions of the Standing Orders.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

*Each full member organisation shall have two votes **and** may nominate a proxy in accordance with the Standing Orders.*

BSO 5.1.1 Proposed amendment to BSO 5.1 (SO7.1.1) from Netwerk Roze FNV

Comment

The wording in singular would seem to imply that only one organisation can nominate a candidate.

Proposed amendment

To amend the text as follows:

[...] Candidates can be nominated by another organisation(s) than they are members of.