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# **4** Changes to Statutes and Rules

There were two proposals for Revision of the Statutes and Rules: one put forward by the CILECT Executive, the other by the GEECT Executive.

The GEECT proposal concerned only the "Terms of Office for the Executive Council".

# 4.1 TERMS OF OFFICE

# 4.1.1 PROPOSAL OF THE CILECT EXECUTIVE

Under the statutes current at the Beijing General Assembly there was no limitation to the number of years the President and Vice-Presidents could serve as long as they break for one term after serving two consecutive terms.

The amendments proposed to limit the terms of office as follows:

- No member on the Executive shall serve more than three terms (12 years).
- No member on the Executive shall serve more than two consecutive terms (8 years).
- There shall be a gap of minimum one term (four years) following a period of two consecutive terms of office.
- This provision does not apply for Vice Presidents and Representatives of regional associations who run for President.

# 4.1.2 PROPOSAL OF THE GEECT EXECUTIVE

The amendment put forward by the GEECT Executive proposed to limit the terms of office as follows:

• No member on the Executive shall serve more than two terms (eight years) in any position.

The proposals were put to the vote. Results of the vote were:

**CILECT Proposal 26 votes** 

**GEECT Proposal 22 votes** 

2 Abstentions.

Although the votes were a clear sign that the General Assembly wanted to change the length of terms of the Executive, no statute change was possible after that vote since neither proposal obtained the required two thirds majority.

There followed an animated discussion on the voting procedure. A general consensus emerged that when there are two proposals on the same subject a first vote should be taken on which proposal should be considered. The proposal with the least vote should be dropped. Then a second vote should be taken on whether or not to adopt the remaining proposal.

GEECT withdrew their proposal, which had fewer votes in favour than the CILECT proposal, and a vote was taken on the CILECT proposal.

The CILECT proposal was adopted unanimously.

# 4.2 REPRESENTATION OF THE REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS ON THE EXECUTIVE

The Executive proposed to replace Statutes, art. 4.8.1 "The Executive Council consists of a President, four Vice Presidents, and ex officio the chairs of the regional associations recognised by CILECT."

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"The Executive Council consists of a President, four Vice Presidents, and ex officio the *representatives* of the regional associations recognised by CILECT." The term "ex officio" was dropped from the pro- posal. This change was proposed in order to streamline the terms of office of the representative of the re- gion with those of the President and Vice-Presidents.

The proposal was adopted by 49 votes in favour and 2 abstentions.

# **8** ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE

The terms of Caterina D'Amico, President, Don Zirpola, Vice-President for Finance and Fundraising, and Henry Breitrose, Vice-President for Publications and Research came to an end at the General As- sembly, Beijing, 2008. They were not running for re-election.

Call for candidacies was circulated 30 June 08, deadline for receiving candidacies was 15 September, six weeks prior to the General Assembly.

Following candidacies were received. The dossiers of all candidates were circulated by email, 1 Octo- ber 08, and were included in the General Assembly file.

## President:

- Nik Powell, NFTS, UK
- Don Zirpola, LMU, USA

Vice-President for Finance and Fundraising:

• Bert Beyens, RITS, Belgium

Vice-President for Publications and Research:

Maria Dora Mourão, USP, Brazil

# 8.1 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

Nik Powell 23 votes

Don Zirpola 28 votes

**Don Zirpola** was elected President for a term of 4 years.

# 8.2 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING

There was only one candidate for this position.

Bert Beyens was elected for a term of four years with 49 votes in favour and two abstentions.

# 8.3 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

There was only one candidate for this position.

Maria Dora Mourão was elected for a term of four years with 49 votes in favour and two votes against.

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## President

Don Zirpola (2008-2012) LMU, Los Angeles, USA

#### **Vice-Presidents**

# **Finances and Fundraising**

Bert Beyens (2008-2012) RITS, Brussels, Belgium

## **Conferences and Festivals**

Stanislav Semerdjiev (2006-2010) NATFA, Sofia, Bulgaria

#### **Publications and Research**

Maria Dora Mourão (2008-2012) USP, São Paulo, Brazil

# **Training and Development**

Victor Valbuena (2006-2010) Republic Polytechnic, Singapore

#### **Regional Associations Chairs**

## Asia-Pacific

CAPA (CILECT Asia-Pacific Association)
Da Feng Zhong, BFA, Beijing, China (2008-2012)

#### **Africa**

CARA (CILECT African Region Association) Martin Loh, NAFTI, Accra, Ghana (-2009)

#### **Latin America**

CIBA (CILECT Ibero-América) Silvio Fischbein, Universidad de Buenos Aires (2008-2012)

#### Europe

GEECT (Groupement européen des écoles de cinéma et de télévision) Marc Nicolas, La Fémis, Paris, France (2008-2012)

#### **North America**

CNA (CILECT North America)
Chap Freeman, Columbia College, Chicago, USA (elected 2006)



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