EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF ***** GENE & CELL THERAPY ****

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Minutes

Date / time Location # members present # Non-members present

Chair

Minute-taker

16 September 2020

ZOOM

17 including 5 Board members 4 (Assocation management team) Hildegard Büning (President) (HB)

Gaelle Jamar (Association Management) (GJ)

HB calls the Annual General Meeting to order as per the ESGCT articles of association. GJ will be taking the minutes.

1. HB welcomes everyone present, and instructs members that by joining the zoom they have officially signed into the AGM. HB presents the agenda, which was communicated to all members by email prior to the AGM on 16 August 2020; no additional agenda items were received. Thus, the AGM was called in accordance with the bylaws.

AGENDA

- 1. Opening and welcome
- 2. Confirmation of the agenda
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the AGM of 22 October 2019
- 4. Year 2020: Overview
- ESGCT Board: Confirmation and mandate for prolonging term of Executive
 Board until annual meeting 2021
- 6. Report of the Treasurer: 2019 accounts
- 7. Discharge of the Executive Board and formal approval of the 2019 accounts
- 8. Report of the President
- 9. AOB
- 2. The agenda was approved by the 12 members, no objections. The Board members abstained from voting.
- 3. The minutes were approved by the 12 members, no objections. The Board members abstained from voting.

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4. Overview 2020:

HB announced both main events for 2020 had been postponed to 2022 and the next ESGCT annual meeting will take place in Brussels in October 2021. HB also gave an overview of the eSchool and eSeminar initiatives and presented high level stats regarding those two activities

 ESGCT Board: Confirmation and mandate for prolonging term of Executive Board until annual meeting 2021

HB introduced the current members of the Executive Board, their function and their willingness to prolong their duty for a further year. HB is calling a vote on prolonging the mandates of the Executive board for one year until October 2021. The members ratified the prolonging of the mandates of the Executive board for one year until October 2021 with Hildegard Büning as President, Juan Bueren as Vice President, Alberto Auricchio as General Secretary and Axel Schambach as Treasurer.

The members also voted for prolonging the mandate of the rest of the Board for 1 year, voting in Vincenco Cerullo, Claire Booth, Alessandro Aiuti, Gloria Gonzalez Aseguinolaza, Zoltan Ivics, Giuliana Ferrari.

All voting was done electronically and the results are as follows: 12 members approved there were no objections and the Board members abstained from voting.

The members of the Executive Board and of the Board accepted the election.

5. Report of the Treasurer: 2019 accounts

AS first explained the pure loss that had been made by ESGCT by postponing all 2020 events. AS then presented the financial status of the accounts and explained



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the need to keep all there was left in the account as a reserve to cover any potential future loss due event cancellation or similar issues. He confirmed that having this safety account would help ESGCT survive challenges such as the Covid pandemic.

Discharge of the Management Board and formal approval of the 2019 accounts
 HB requested the discharge of the Executive Board.

Voting was done electronically and details of the votes can be found in the annexes.

The Executive Board is discharged and the 2019 have been formally approved. **This** was voted by 11 members, no objections (One participant had left the call)

- 7. Report of the President:
 - a. HB gave an overview of the 2019 Spring School Naples
 - b. HB gave an overview of the 2019 Annual Congress Barcelona
 - c. HB announced that ESGCT had found a candidate for the external audit of the books, Manuel Grez the candidate was approved by the members.
 - d. HB confirmed the introduction of committees that further broaden involvement of members in ESGCT activities.
- AOB: No other business was presented. HB thanked the members, and closed the AGM.

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Hildegard Büning, HB, ESGCT President

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<u>Gaelle Jamar, GJ, ESGCT manager,</u> minutes