Terri Agnew: Welcome to the Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI) meeting held on 24 March 2016

Amr Elsadr:Hi all.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: Hello Everyone

Mary Wong:Ry SG is not represented.

Amr Elsadr:Looks like we're missing RySG, NCSG and NPOC.

Amr Elsadr:Yes..., no NCAs either.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:or maybe dial out to them

Terri Agnew:as a reminder, please mute when not speaking

Terri Agnew: Hi Lawrence, op will dial out to you in a moment

Julie Hedlund: All: I have unsynced the document so you can move it.

Mary Wong: The consensus call (when the time comes) will also take place on the mailing list, and last approx 2 weeks (per usual practice).

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:@Terri thanks, am dialing in and waiting for approval

Terri Agnew:@Lawrence - advising the op

Mary Wong: If this suggestion is to be adopted, perhaps consider a time limit for that appointment?

Mary Wong: E.g. by the time of the next Council meeting at the latest?

Angie Graves:sorry--am in a loud place

Angie Graves: You addresed my point

Angie Graves: Thank you.

Amr Elsadr:@Mary: That sounds OK by me. What if (and this is very unlikely) the Council fails to elect a chair during a second election round?

Mary Wong:@Amr, I meant to have an interim from the vacant House, not the duration of the interim appointment

Amr Elsadr:@Anne: Apologies, I'm not sure I understand the question.

Amr Elsadr:@Mary: Understood. I meant to ask that if the deadline to appoint an interim is over, but the council persists in failing to elect a chair. This may mean an additional 30 days.

Amr Elsadr: Would make sense to extend the interim appointment election, wouldn't it?

Mary Wong:@Anne, yes, exactly

Amr Elsadr:Sorry. My last comment made no sense. :)

Amr Elsadr: I meant that it would make sense to extend the deadline by which an interim can be appointed.

Mary Wong:@Amr, haha no worries. My suggestion is meant to not delay Council biz further by having NO chair and NO second VC.

Amr Elsadr:OK. Thanks for the context Mary. That sounds good to me.

Mary Wong:@Anne, that seems logical too (apply deadline for interim appointment to Scenario 3 too).

Amr Elsadr:I believe the bylaws (30 day provision) only applies to Council chair elections, not VC appointments. Is that right?

Mary Wong:@Amr, yes

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben:Sorry I got disconnected. Connectivity is poor, even voice line. I try to follow the chat as good as I can

Amr Elsadr: Welcome WUK.

Julie Hedlund:@Amr: Yes, I think that is right.

Amr Elsadr:@WUK: Welcome back. I'll warn you though, I'm not making much sense in the chat today. :(

Terri Agnew: Wolf-Ulrich is only on AC at the moment

Amr Elsadr:@Anne: Sounds good.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:can you shed some light on this

Mary Wong:So Scenario 4 would kick in if the deadline for interim appointments (e.g. by the next Council meeting) is NOT met.

Julie Hedlund:@Mary: That's my understanding.

Mary Wong:And under Scenario 4, the "last resort" interm Chair (the non-voting NCA) would be interim Chair until the Chair is elected conclusively, which under the Procedures would be approx a max of 2 months out (normally).

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: i think that flies

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:i dont see a problem with an interim Vice chair running for a vice chair

Amr Elsadr:@Anne: Yes. VCs are appointed/selected by a House, not elected.

Angie Graves: Thank you for the SCENARIO 3 note

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben 2:Under scenario 4 there shouldn't be a break in council business until VCs are appointed or the non-voting NCA takes place

Terri Agnew: Welcome Martin Silva

Julie Hedlund:@Amr: What if we just strike "non-voting NCA"?

Mary Wong:@Wolf-Ulrich, that is why staff suggested having a deadline for the House(s) to make the interim appointment, i.e. by the time of the next Council meeting.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: the Non-voting NCA presently by the GNSO OP IS eligible to run for council chair, so if same were to hold office for a short while to run an election it should surfice

Amr Elsadr:@Julie: I would be OK with that, but am really just wondering whether or not there is some sort of conflict. I'm not actually sure.

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben 2:why not appoint interim VCs on the spot, meaning directly following the meeting where the chair election failed? I guess all SG leading reps should be available to assist...

Amr Elsadr:@Lawrence: You are correct, but we are talking about vice-chair, not chair. I don't think there are limitations on that either, but should probably check.

Mary Wong:@Wolf-Ulrich, maybe that can be phrased as the ideal scenario, but failing that, have a maximum deadline? Just in case.

Anne Aikman-Scalese (IPC):@ Wolf-Ulrich - House may not be able to agree that quickly as to who should serve

Amr Elsadr:Like I said, I see no problem with the non-voting NCA being appointed as an interim chair under scenario 4. It's scenario 3 that I'm wondering about.

Martin Silva:Hi all, struggling with a weird connection here but I think I'll manage to be on for the rest of the meeting.

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben 2:hanks Mary, agree

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben 2:T...

Julie Hedlund:@Amr: The Procedures are silent on NCAs and Vice Chairs. They say, "a. Each house shall select a Council Vice-Chair from within its respective house.."

Julie Hedlund:That;s all.

Mary Wong:@Amr, wouldn't that be up to the House?

Amr Elsadr:@Anne: a non-voting NCA is not from within a house.

Amr Elsadr:Thanks Julie. That's helpful.

Amr Elsadr:@Mary: +1

Amr Elsadr:@Anne: Yes. I believe that is best.

Mary Wong: The only thing staff can think of is perhaps this is the kind of situation where having a neutral non-voting person may be preferable?

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:+1 i agree also

Sara Bockey:@Anne, I agree as well.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: that the non voting NCA should be left out.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:of option 3

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:senerio 4 would serve as a stimulant to ensuring that election faliure does not get to this point

Amr Elsadr: Agree with Mary.

Amr Elsadr: Apologies. I missed pretty much everything Mary just said. Had dropped off the call.

Amr Elsadr:been dropped off.

Amr Elsadr:Back now.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:Once an election fails and it is officially announced (which is a 2 day time frame), the process to resheduling and conducting another election should proceed and be in place in the time frame we agree

Sara Bockey: I like the idea of a prescribe timeline to make them make a decision sooner rather than later, but I'm not familiar with how Council works ...but that is my inclination

Amr Elsadr:Well...

Amr Elsadr: Practical.:)

Amr Elsadr:Some of those agrees are old.

Angie Graves: Mine was old

Amr Elsadr: How about a deadline of one week before the following Council meeting?

Mary Wong:10 calendar days?

Julie Hedlund:@Lawrence -- there has only been one failed election --

in Dublin. The Vice Chairs were continuing and handled the election and business.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:great

Amr Elsadr:In Dublin, the NCPH managed to reach some decisions before the week was over.

Mary Wong:Sure, Anne

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: thanks for that julie

Julie Hedlund: @ Anne: We are probably better off holding the call at the usual time.

Amr Elsadr: Can we also continue this on-list? Try to take advantage of time between calls?

Julie Hedlund: Rather than a Doodle.

Julie Hedlund:@Amr: Yes, on the list.

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts:so it looks like a 2 week time frame could work out well

Amr Elsadr:Thanks all. Bye.

Martin Silva:Thank you!

Angie Graves:thanks

Sara Bockey: thank you all

Lawrence Olawale-Roberts: thanks for the time, bye now

Martin Silva:bye bye Mary Wong:Thanks all