

INTERNATIONAL FELDENKRAIS FEDERATION

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EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY

22 May 1997

Minutes

The extraordinary assembly was opened at 1:45 PM.

Objective for Meeting

The IFF is working to update the constitution to solidify the current structure, eliminating unnecessary passages.

Discussion of Article 5:

Changes are needed to further clarify requirements for members to be groups that are representative of a membership through a democratic process. Founder members are no longer needed to be listed in the statutes. The list of them will continue to be in the appendices of the statutes.

Revised Article 5 was adopted as follows:

Article 5

The association is composed of adherent individuals and recognized bodies (professional groups, associations and guilds of French and other nationalities). It includes full members and associate members. The General Assembly may in addition confer the title of honorary member upon people who merit it by reasons of their contribution to the development of the Feldenkrais Method or their support of the IFF. This title confers upon those who have obtained it the right to participate in the General Assembly without having to pay an annual fee.

Full members are individuals and recognized bodies with a democratic process working in the association's sphere of action who are in agreement with its aim and who wish to support its action. Founder members are listed in Appendix 1. Associate members are those individuals and recognized legal bodies who do not fulfill the criteria for adherence laid down by the General Assembly, and who wish only to use the services of the association and to participate in the programs of research, co-operation and development.

Discussion of Article 9:

These changes eliminate the sentence about the first election which is no longer necessary and bring the Statutes into line with changes voted in to the internal regulation, stating that the position of vice president can take over for president if necessary.

Revised Article 9 was adopted as follows:

Article 9

The IFF association is administered by a Board whose members, elected by the General Assembly for a period of three years from among the full members of the association, number between six and twelve individuals. This number is fixed by decision of the General Assembly. One third of the Board of Directors is renewed annually. The mandate of members standing down is renewable. The General Assembly elects a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Directors, as well as Substitutes. Should a vacancy occur in the office of President, the Vice President fills the post until the following General Assembly. Should a vacancy occur in the office of Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, the Board elects a replacement from among the current Board members or elected substitutes, to serve until the following General Assembly. Should a vacancy occur in a Director position, the first substitute fills, by right, the post of the departing member of the Board of Directors, until the following General Assembly. The appointed officer or substitute will proceed to a reflection in order to fill the vacant officer or

director. Voting by proxy and voting by correspondence are admissible. The Board of Directors may delegate to certain of its members or others in accordance with its needs, powers and duties. Internal Regulations determine how candidatures are submitted for voting.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie Rich Humiston, Secretary