

## Minutes of the ISA RC 10 Board Meeting held in Toronto on 19 July 2018 at

<u>10pm</u>

# Present

Isabel da Costa

Dasarath Chetty

Stefan Lücking

Volkmar Kreissig

Erik Lindhult

Azril Bacal Roij

Michela Freddano

Donatella Poliandro

Jurate Imbrasaite

### Welcome

Isabel da Costa welcomed all present and stated that the primary reason for a Board meeting immediately after the Business meeting was to elect the President, Vice – President, Secretary and Treasurer of RC 10 for the period 2018 – 2022.

### Elections

**Dasarath Chetty** was nominated for the position of President. Further nominations were called for by the Chair but there were none. Dasarath Chetty was elected President unopposed.

**Fatima Assuncao, Catherine Casey and Eleni Nina-Pazarzi** were nominated for the position of Vice- President. The Board decided that with the approval of the ISA all three nominees would serve as Vice-Presidents. A precedent had already been created in that there were two Vice-Presidents between 2014 and 2018.

Michela Freddano was nominated for the position of Secretary and was elected unopposed.

Volkmar Kreissig was nominated for the position of Treasurer and was elected unopposed.

The Board congratulated those elected to the Executive.

### New President's Remarks

Dasarath Chetty thanked colleagues for a vote of confidence.

He reiterated the following:

- Living in the most unequal society in the world exposes one to the manifestations of social inequality, its societal correlates and the underlying historical antecedents of continuing social injustice. Creating a better understanding of global inequality in the quest for social justice should be one driving force for RC 10 activities and programmes This is an area that I would like to concentrate on in collaboration with the many other RCs working in this field i.e. what is the role of public participation, organisational democracy and the goal of self management in this process?
- The Board needs to establish reasons for and address the decline in membership of RC 10 despite its ongoing international relevance
- The Board needs to work towards and encourage more RC 10 activities generally and North-South collaboration in particular
- The Board needs to raise funds to subsidize the increased participation of sociologists, especially those who may be affected by class, gender, race imbalances, in international conferences and workshops and to foster more global dialogue

He concluded by noting that he would organise a conference in Durban in 2019 and by calling for brief proposals from members for Conferences and Workshops so that a 4 year programme may be put in place.

Isabel da Costa closed the meeting with a vote of thanks.

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