

27 February 2019 Minutes

Attended:	Apologies:	Secretariat
Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair) &		
Selamawit Bekele	Christy Hanson	Lucica Ditiu
Timur Abdullaev		Jenniffer Dietrich
Pierre Blais		Catie Rosado
Amy Bloom		
Paula Fujiwara		
David Lewinsohn		
Malgosia Grzemska (for Tereza		
Kasaeva)		
Nyma Malik		
Austin Obiefuna		
Aaron Oxley		
Victor Ramathesele		
Cheri Vincent		

Minutes of Discussion	Outcome(s)
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1. 32nd Board Meeting: next Board mtg dates

The Executive Director described how the dates of other organization's board meetings and global events, as well as holiday seasons, were taken into consideration to arrive at the following three possible windows for the next Board Meeting: Stop TB's Executive Director described how the dates for other global partners' board meetings and events, as well as holiday seasons were taken into consideration to arrive at the following three possible windows for the next Board meeting:

- 22-25 October
- 3-7 December
- 9-14 December

The Secretariat has already started working with partners in Indonesia, and there is a mutual agreement to plan for a high-level side-event to the Board meeting. Executive Committee members shared their concerns regarding the proposed dates in October as they are too close to the Union Conference and the TB Science Meeting, which is scheduled to happen two days before the main Conference. The Executive Committee was inclined towards the first date in December.

 The Executive Committee will reflect upon the dates proposed and take a decision at the next meeting call.

2. Governance: Board Membership - Open Seats

The Governance and Board Relations Officer opened this agenda item by recollecting the Committee's discussion about Open Seats during the meeting in October 2018 as

The Executive
Committee
acknowledged
France's high-level



well as the background document shared at that time. The two Open Seats of the Board are unencumbered.

The Secretariat proposed to invite two new donors to join the Board by sharing one of the two Open Seats. The Executive Director described the engagement of France and Japan concerning the Stop TB Partnership, the Secretariat and TB in general. The Executive Committee members had an extensive discussion about the inclusion of these two new donors to the Board which are summarized as:

- The Executive Committee supports the idea of more donors on the Board which is important for the Partnership and TB in general in order to recognize and encourage additional donor engagement.
- Japan's financial contribution is encouraging and should be supported. Japan's leadership in universal health coverage and other global health priorities, and recent financial contribution to the Partnership is greatly appreciated by the Committee.
- The Committee emphasized both prospect donor members and their efforts for raising more funding for TB should be encouraged.

- engagement with the Board of many years in the past as well as Japan's interest in returning strongly to the Stop TB Partnership.
- The Executive Committee approved the extension of an invitation for Japan and France to join the Board on a shared seat.

3. Board Leadership Change: Board Chair Selection

The Governance and Board Relations Officer provided an update to the Executive Committee on the revised timeline for the selection of the Chair of the Board. To allow countries to go through election times and political changes, the deadline for nomination is extended to May 31, 2019.

The Executive Director encouraged Executive Committee members to identify candidates. Furthermore, members suggested the Secretariat should approach MPs and the Global TB Caucus for suggestions and nominations.

The Governance Manual does not have restrictions in terms of region of representation or high-burden, nor rotation between hemispheres of where the next Chair of the Board should come from. Thus, it was discussed the focus for the selection committee should be on securing the strongest candidate.

Securing a leader from a high-burden Asian country was suggested by members of the

committee, but preference was given on identifying a strong global leader and incorporating the high-burden country criteria for selection. The Board Chair Nomination Sub-Committee will consider these criteria during their deliberations.

 The Secretariat will follow up on the Executive Committee's advice to contact the Global TB Caucus for Board Chair nominations.

4. Global Fund Strategy Committee

The Executive Director shared Catalytic Funding prioritization is on the upcoming Global Fund Strategic Committee meeting agenda and noted two documents were circulated from the Secretariat confidentially, to show the degree of detail and the work that the Global Fund Secretariat has done. The ED called for a united position from all TB stakeholders to secure the funds needed for TB.

Under TB, funding is proposed to continue the work on finding and treating missing people, including preventive therapy and MDR-TB, and adding providing technical capacity to contribute to the ongoing efforts of finding and treating all Catalytic funding might also include pots for multi-country proposals as well as capacity building and providing technical assistance.

- The Executive Committee members will send comments by email.
- The Secretariat will share the notes from the





The Global Fund Secretariat presents different scenarios of how much will be available for catalytic funding depending on the overall amount that will be available during the next funding period. The Chair of the Executive Committee requested Committee members to send their comments in writing to the Secretariat in the next two weeks.	situation room call.
5.AOB	
Next Executive Committee Conference Call will be in April 2019.	Stop TB Secretariat to send out a doodle poll and subsequent calendar invites for the next 3 months.