

**RESOLUTIONS OF THE XLII SESSION OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS
JUSTICE STUDIES CENTER OF THE AMERICAS**

In Santiago de Chile on December 4 and 11, 2020 at 10 a.m. (Chile time), the Board of Directors met via video conference. In attendance were Daniel Petrone (President), George Thomson (Vice President) and Board members Margarita de Hegedus, Jenny Murphy, Patricia Pérez and Maytrie Kuldip. The meeting was also attended by Board members-elect Benjamin Berger, María del Carmen Maldonado and María Victoria Rivas as observers. By virtue of Article 13 of its Statutes and Articles 18 and 19 of its Regulations, the Board hereby resolves:

1. To approve the 2020 Annual Report and Financial Report. This is the first semester report, which was submitted to the Board during the XXXIX session last July 23 and 24 and the second semester report, which was submitted in advance and presented during this session by the Executive Director. The Financial Report includes a projection through December 2020, and estimates moving from a deficit of US\$-130,885 (situation through June) and US\$-42,925 (situation through September), to an annual budget surplus of US\$59,321.
2. To congratulate the Executive Director and staff of JSCA for the measures taken to increase the Center's income by securing new consultancies, organizing remote training activities and executing the GAC and INL projects despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. They have worked remotely and controlled spending so that the Center closed the year with a surplus after having faced a significant deficit mid-year.
3. To approve the job description for the Executive Director, including the final changes made during this Board meeting, which include: a) requiring that each applicant hold a law degree; and b) establishing graduate studies in law, administration or public policy as desirable training. The approved job description is attached as Annex I and forms an integral part of these resolutions.
4. To approve the document "Search, Selection and Appointment Process for the JSCA Executive Director: Tasks, Responsibilities and Deadlines" proposed by the Executive Director for the search and selection of the person who will serve as JSCA Executive Director between 2022 and 2025. The approved job description is attached as Annex II and forms an integral part of these resolutions.
5. To approve the JSCA Plan of Action and Budget for 2021, which were presented and submitted by the Executive Director in advance.
6. To especially recognize the efforts made by the Executive Director to identify new donors, partner institutions and funding sources to develop the strategic objectives and activities proposed by the leadership. These include the agreement reached with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) with INL funds, the German International Cooperation Agency (GIZ-DIRAJus), GIZ-Berlin

(with funds from the German Ministry of Foreign Relations), Fundación Konrad Adenauer (KAS) and prospective collaborations with DAI (the USAID “ConJusticia” project in Mexico) and ABA ROLI (INL project in Mexico), among others.

7. To encourage all Board members to make their best effort to procure voluntary contributions from their home countries, financing for future sessions of the Board of Directors and other initiatives focused on new or existing sources of financing that allow for the development of JSCA’s autonomous technical mission in their respective countries and ideally at the regional level.
8. To approve the audit of the institution’s financial statements for 2018 and 2019 contained in the corrected version of the external auditing firm’s report in accordance with the instructions of the Board of Directors.
9. To ratify the agreements signed by the Executive Director during the second half of 2020 (see the attached document “Agreements”), leaving the agreement with Dalian University pending.
10. To unanimously elect Jenny Murphy President and Daniel Petrone Vice President of the Board of Directors in accordance with Articles 11 and 12 of the Regulations for the period beginning on January 1, 2021.
11. To bid farewell to and thank Daniel Petrone (President) and George Thomson (Vice President) for serving in their leadership positions during 2019 and 2020. They were very active and played a key role in increasing JSCA’s presence in the region and in strengthening its institutional structure.
12. To bid farewell to and thank George Thomson of Canada and Margarita de Hegedus of Uruguay for their service as they complete their terms as members of the JSCA Board of Directors. George Thomson served as a Board member for the second time. This term began in 2015 and ended in 2020. Margarita de Hegedus served as a Board member from 2018 to 2020.
13. To ask the Executive Director to take the steps necessary to organize a Board meeting for March 2021 at the date, in the location and in the mode to be arranged with the President at the appropriate time.


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