



Dear Committee Members of HOPE,

Please forward this letter to the HOPE members in your countries.

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Last week, Kim Davies, our Secretary of HOPE, announced that she wanted to step down as Secretary of HOPE for a variety of family and personal reasons. It was a bit of a shock for the board, because for many years Kim was an excellent Secretary who we could rely on in the Board always. Kim had hoped that she would stay on until voting/replacement takes place, but Kim cannot do that now.

Yes, but we had to move on now.

HOPE's Internal Regulations state this about such a situation:

Section 4 – Board of Directors

4.3 Each member of the Board should have a Deputy, approved by the President, wherever possible.

4.4 The President, Secretary and Treasurer must send the approved deputies within the Board to the Board meetings if they are indisposed.

(so far the Internal Regulations)

The board is delighted that Deputy Secretary of HOPE, Shaun Dolan, was readily available. That is why we welcome Shaun to the Board, as Secretary ad interim until the HOPE Congress 2022 in Milan.

Shaun works as artist in residence at the Chelsea Community Hospital School (CCHS) in London. Shaun has done already a lot of things for students with a medical need. I loved his art project "Making Your Mark" and I really enjoyed the creative workshop in Moscow, where Queen Elizabeth suddenly appeared, after a lot of tearing and pasting with colored paper. The article in the Newsletter of HOPE about his trip to Armenia and his activities there must have inspired many hospital teachers. Shaun made his marks.

Kim Davies is indispensable and irreplaceable and we will miss Kim very much. Thank you Kim, on behalf of the HOPE members, for your impressive work for HOPE.

On behalf of the Board of HOPE, kind regards,

Jan Haverkate (President of HOPE)
The Netherlands, the 7th of September 2021