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# 19<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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18/02/2015

Present: Jesse Vullings, Esther Baar, Jan Willem Bruggeman, Henriette Hoogervorst, Eoin Grua, Job Zegers, Jelmer Nagtegaal, Victorine Milliano, Sophia Pontellier, Claire, Sanna McGregor, Joran Iedema, Jacob Adriana, Willem Pije, David, Jaron Zonneveld, Jerome Mies, Benjamin Nolan, Aneesh, Beau Nieuwenhuijs,

## The Agenda

1. Opening  
Jesse opens the GA and thanks everybody for attending.
2. Sequential ordering of the agenda  
Jesse goes over the proposed agenda; there are no remarks so the agenda is approved.
3. Additional Board Members  
Esther again explains the boards' reasoning for changing the statutes. She furthermore explains the proposed solution in case of a tie in the board: if after two meetings the board still isn't able to come to a decision and has asked advisory council for advice but is still unable to resolve the issue, the board (majority) has to agree that the issue will be taken up to the GA.
  - Q1: (Job) Could you please explain the voting procedure and what it means to abstain?
  - A1: Esther explains that choosing to abstain means that you are against the motion as proposed, not against it in principle.The motion is passed. The votes are as follows:  
In favor: 88  
Against: 3  
Abstaining: 7  
Total: 98
4. Membership fee  
Jesse explains that the membership fee is currently 40 euros, and this board had 10 euros extra to spend due to left over money from last years board. In the future, especially because the association is growing, this amount will no longer suffice, also because there will most likely not be any more money left over after this year. Jesse/the board proposes to increase the membership fee by 15 euros to 55 euros, the 10 years
  - Q2: (Jelmer) Have you talked to management about this?
  - A2: (Jesse) Yes we have talked to MT about this, they say that we have to get a positive response from the GA/members and then the board submits a proposal to the school about this.
  - Q3: (Jelmer) Will the additional 15 euro be allocated from AUC or will members have to pay 15 euro more?
  - A3: (JW) This is up to AUC to determine (if it is reallocated or added to the tuition fee).
  - Q4: (Victorine) Have you explored the option of getting this money from external parties?

- A4: (Jesse) Yes, we are looking into acquisition already but this membership fee increase will most likely be necessary regardless, and JW adds that this amount is continuous and independent of contracts/liabilities.

The votes are as follows:

In favor: 76

Against: 17

Abstaining: 5

Total: 98

5. The audit committee

Jesse welcomes the audit committee and asks them to present their half-year results. Ivana notes an improvement in the updating of financial records, leading to increased accuracy and transparency. Moreover, they suggest a subscription to an accounting program, and to separate the audit for AUCafé and TEDx. Finally, they suggest doing a market analysis for merchandise before ordering it to make sure things are bought responsibly (will actually get sold).

6. The AUCSA Budget

a. Events

- i. The GA approves the budget.

b. Merchandise

- i. Q5: (Sophia) I noticed that you didn't write anything down for merchandise. Does that mean you are breaking even?

A5: (JW) We break even and the profit made goes back into purchasing the new merchandise; the net result is zero because of this.

- ii. The GA approves the budget.

c. Other

- i. The GA approves the budget.

7. Committee Budgets

a. AIMUN

- i. The GA approves the budget.

b. Catch

- i. Roos van der Deijl proposes a 10 euro discount (from 5) on 30 sweatpants for sports players (?) from unforeseen costs. There are 19 in favor, 35 against, 18 abstain; there are 3 proxies in favor, 3 proxies against, and 5 abstain. The motion does not pass unfortunately.

- ii. The GA approves the budget.

c. ASUSA

- i. Teun Strikkers motions to add 30 euros to the energy conference for an extra speaker from unforeseen costs. The GA approves this motion.

- ii. Teun Strikkers wants to reallocate 50 euros from the toys from trash workshop to the energy conference. The GA approves this motion.

- iii. The GA approves the new budget.

d. Cuisine

- i. Beau would like to increase the equipment by 50 euros for a new blender from unforeseen costs. Q6: (Sophia) Cuisine do you already have a blender? A6 (Beau) The blender broke. The GA approves this motion

- ii. The GA approves the new budget.

e. AUCafé

- i. Q7: (Clarie) Why would there be a negative difference if the old one is higher than the new one?

A7: (Jesse) Their income is less that's why the new cost is lower.

- ii. Maarten motions for 100 euros of transition money and would like to reallocate this from their 'atmosphere creation'. A8: (Maarten) The

transition wasn't taken into account at the beginning of the year and wasn't in the budget. Q9: (Sanna) I'm slightly confused, if your transition has already passed and you spent the money why do you need more money now? And can you still get reimbursed for an expense you've already made if you ask for approval afterwards? (JW) The GA can decide to approve an expense if the board doesn't. A10: (Willem) This money is for the reimbursing of the transition that took place in December. A10.2: (Willem) This money was spent from people's own money and they would now like to get this reimbursed. There are 49 people in favor, 17 against, and 3 abstain; 3 proxies in favor, 3 against, and 5 abstain. The GA approves this motion.

- iii. Maarten motions for a 100 euro reallocation from cloth for curtains to a barbecue for the new bartenders. A14: (Willem) When we started we didn't know all of these amounts and what was needed and how much it would cost, and we realize now that the bartenders are so vital so we'd rather move some money to that from the furnishings that are now turning out to not be that necessary. Yaron Zonneveld adds that some of the refurbishing was also done by the municipality. Dante feels that the money that isn't going to be spent anyway on furniture should just go back into the big pot and be redistributed to all committees from there. Willem explains that there is an educational value to the transition and that it isn't only for fun. Jerome adds that if the barcrew is properly trained, the café will be run better and result in a higher income. There are 32 in favor, 33 against, and 15 abstain; 2 proxies in favor, 5 against, and 4 abstain. The motion does not pass.
- iv. JW proposes to remove the 200 euros unforeseen costs in the AUCafé budget and put this back into the big pot. The GA approves this motion.
- v. Henriette motions to remove the 100 euros from cloth for curtains and put this back in the big pot. The GA approves this motion.
- vi. Q11: (David) How come you have so much money unspent? A11: (Willem) In the first few months it was unsure how much AUCafé had to pay for themselves and what the municipality would pay for, and just now the renovations are coming together, so the money will be spent this semester.
- vii. The GA approves the new budget.
- f. Curiosity
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- g. Debating
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- h. HandsOn
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- i. InPrint
  - i. Q12: (
    - A12: (JW) We pre-disapproved a cost but after inferring about it we decided to agree to it.
  - ii. The GA approves the budget.
- j. Junket
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- k. Lingua
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- l. AUC Literary Society
  - i. The GA approves the budget.

- m. AUCMAC
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- n. OnStage
  - i. Jesse explains that Marijk previously funded the choir but that the board would like this to continue, so the board will fund 500 euros for this (half) and the participants match the rest.
  - ii. Jesse further explains that the income is 1000 and the AUCSA pays for half of this.
  - iii. The GA approves the budget.
- o. PlayUC
  - i. Job Zegers motions for 40 euros from unforeseen costs for a new game called Cards against Excellence. The GA approves the motion.
  - ii. Job motions for 23 euros from unforeseen costs for a Settlers of Catan expansion pack. The GA approves the budget.
  - iii. The GA approves the budget.
- p. Pubquiz
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- q. Screen
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- r. Scriptus
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- s. Solace
  - i. The GA approves the budget.
- t. Art
  - i. Yanesh motions to remove 250 euros from workshops (2.2 and 2.1) income because they think they won't achieve this. The GA approves this motion.
  - ii. The GA approves the new budget.
- u. TEDxAUCollege
  - i. Benjamin Nolan motions for an additional 250 euros for their pitch night from unforeseen costs. Ben explains that the venue was very big and was eventually even given for free, but they still have to pay this 1000 euros. There are 48 people in favor, 1 against, and 14 abstain; 2 proxies in favor, 0 against, 9 proxies abstain. The GA approves the motion.
  - ii. The GA approves the new budget.
- v. Yearbook
  - i. Max motions for 8 euros extra for photo equipment from unforeseen costs. The GA approves this motion.
  - ii. The GA approves the new budget.
- w. Zen
  - i. Tara motions for 60 euros for transition from unforeseen costs. The GA approves this budget.
  - ii. Tara proposes to reallocate 15 euros from the lock to yoga mat cleaning. The GA approves the budget.
  - iii. The GA approves the new budget.
- x. Sparc
  - i. Aneesh motions for 11 months of server costs, so an increase of 1,43 euros. The GA approves this motion.
  - ii. Aneesh motions to reallocate 11 from the power strip and 1 euro from unforeseen costs for a domain name. The GA approves this motion.
  - iii. The GA approves the new budget.
- y. XVII

- i. Lucas explains that he feels that the purpose of the committee is almost entirely lost by the taking out of the printing costs; Dante replies that the board took these out because the board didn't want to spend so much money on a new committee and because the price per issue is very high as well; Lucas and Charlotte reply that they would be willing to compromise by decreasing the amount of issues or quality of the issue. Sanna notes that the most interesting part of editing is the actual making of the magazine, the actual printing/receiving of the item isn't the most exciting part.
  - ii. Lucas motions for 434 euros from the unforeseen costs to go to the printing costs of the magazine. There are 18 people in favor, 36 against, and 11 abstain; there are 2 proxies in favor, 5 against, and 4 abstain. The motion does not pass.
  - iii. The GA approves the budget.
  - z. Dormfest
    - i. The GA approves the budget.
  - aa. Means
    - i. The GA approves the budget.
  - bb. UCSRN
    - i. The GA approves the budget.
  - cc. Women's Week
    - i. Anneke would like to reallocate 20 euros from guest speakers and divide this over 2 workshops (10 euros each).
    - ii. The GA approves the budget.
8. Total AUCSA Budget
- a. Vote
    - i. The GA approves the entire budget. Woohoo!

Signature Jesse Vullingsh (Chair)  
20/3/2015



Signature Esther Baar (Secretary)  
20/3/2015



Proxies:

Nicholas Handfield Jones - Whitney Mok

Jerome Mies - Basil van Wijk, Paco Mens

Job Zeegers - Thomas Bavin

Joris Teer - Lia Sinnige

Maarten de Zeeuw - Ruby de Hart

Camiel Wijffels - Aram Zegeerius

Anneke Vries - Brande Guesnet

Beau Nieuwenhuijs - Thomas Duurland

Aneesh Roy - Nick Holtappels

Yin – Blijde Ligthart