
21ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

18/05/2015

Present: Jesse Vullings, Esther Baar, Jan Willem Bruggeman, Henriette Hoogervorst, Dante Grua, David Langerveld, Floris Cobben, Quinta Dijk, Tim Moolhuijsen, Stefanie Berendsen, Steffan Oberman, Thomas Litan, Sezgi Iyibilir, Jerome Mies, Storm Gibbons, Jasper Meijer, Lianne Bingen, Bram Jaarsma, Louis Cottin, Luuk van der Sterren, Lia Sinnige, Francesca Brennan

The Agenda

1. Opening
Jesse opens the GA and thanks everybody for coming.
2. Sequential ordering of the agenda
Jesse asks if there is anybody that would like to vote on the agenda. There isn't.
3. Advisory Council
Jesse thanks the advisory council for all their work this past year. He proposes the next Advisory Council consists of Esther Baar, Jan Willem Bruggeman, Stijn Gabriel, and Maria Gayed; the last two because they have shown commitment and interest in the AUCSA and would provide a useful and fresh perspective. The GA approves this board.
4. The audit committee
Jesse thanks the audit committee for all their work this past year. He proposes the next Audit committee consists of Jan Willem Bruggeman, Jelmer Koorn, and Lia den Daas. The GA approves of this board.
5. Honorary Members
The Board would like to appoint several members for their outstanding service and contribution to the AUCSA over the past three years. Aram Zegerius for creating and maintaining the wonderful MyAUC website as well as the email domain for the past two years and his dedication to the AUCSA; Michael Vermeer for his outstanding service and dedication in setting up AUCafé and Jeugdlab and his service to the AUCSA and the greater AUC community; Sanna McGregor for her notable and consistent dedication and hard work to all of the committees she has been in as well as several contributions made to the Board and association. Esther proposes on behalf of the AUCSA Board Jesse Vullings as well for his continuous loyalty, hard work, and enthusiasm to the creation and maintaining of the AUCafé and by coming in during the last semester and being an
6. Motion by Kelly
Kelly submitted a motion about running late for the AUCSA Board. The votes are as follows: In favor: 81; Against: 20; Abstain: 12. Proxies in favor: 38; against: 8; abstain: 18. The motion passes and Kelly is allowed to run for CAO.
7. Personal Statements of candidates
All of the candidates give their personal statement. The members can now vote on the new board.

Q1) (Esther) I was wondering as chair you lead the association, do you have a particular vision for the AUCSA for the upcoming year?

A1 (Floris): I would like to work on improving the committee transitions and increasing their efficiency throughout the year.

Q2) (Storm) Transitioning happens at the end of the year, what will your main focus be as a chair for the AUCSA up until that time?

A2 (Floris): I want to work on the development and implementation of the 6 board members (division of work, remaining efficient) and making sure that meetings and goals are achieved.

Q3) (Esther) Do you have any specific ideas or ways you envision yourself achieving these goals?

A3 (David): I would promote talking to committees and finding out what they struggle with and how to best help them with this; I also want to increase awareness of what the Board does throughout the year.

Q4) (Jasper) How would you actually improve transparency in the board? Are you talking about a personal level, do you mean updates, like every two weeks? Or what are your ideas?

A4 (Quinta): I would like to improve the transparency by making more use of website/Wiki and redirecting people to it

Q5) (Lianne) So you mentioned transparency as your main point, we've heard that one before, do you have any other points?

A5 (Quinta): This has been the point that I have been running with from the beginning and I feel that I have strong arguments for how to implement this.

Q6) (Michiel) You mentioned your previous experience, have you been involved in committees? What is your previous experience?

A6 (Thomas): At my secondary school I was in many committees, student council, and MUN boards, which taught me about working together with different people; I was also in the UCSRN tournament team.

Q7) (Bram) So I've heard you mentioned the UCSRN tournament, what happened with chess, I heard you asked an AUC student on the morning itself. What happened there? And what would you do to improve that next year?

A7 (Thomas): We were hoping to get a student before the day to lead the chess tournament who fell through at the last minute; we therefore had to improvise on the day itself by asking one of the chess competitors.

Q8) (Louis) Where did you get your awesome speech skills?

A8 (Steffan): Comes naturally.

Q9) (Luke) Can I ask you what your concrete plan is to be more approachable?

A9 (Steffan): I would like to have regular (also personal) meetings with all of the

committees and its members to talk about their goals and worries and see how I can facilitate them in achieving these.

Q10) (Francesca) Are you planning on going abroad next semester?

A10 (Jerome): I will be going abroad for the second semester and I believe that I can still make a successful contribution to the board even though I am only in the board for a semester.

Q11) (Lia) Speaking from experience, do you think this [going abroad for the second semester] adds an extra burden to the board, find replacement for your position, do you think this is unfair for your potential future board?

A11 (Jerome): I know that it's a lot of work for the remaining board members, but I think it will be not as bad because we can anticipate the transition and because there are more board members.

Q12) (Lia) When she talks about open office hours, what exactly does that mean?

A12 (Kelly): It would be a time for all committee members to come ask questions to their CAO.

Q13) (Storm) As she is studying abroad and will she come back in august and how will she deal that she does not have time to transition?

A13 (Kelly): I would not be able to attend the transition weekend/period but I will be back to help organize introduction week.

Q14) (Lia) In relation to the first question and as response to my first question. So you would then have regular office hours and committee office hours, regular office hours are not very well attended, do you think it will be doable to have so many office hours?

A14 (Kelly): What I experienced as a committee was that it was hard to get in touch with the CAO and I think this would help solve this problem.

8. Election Committee

The EC presents what they have worked on throughout the elections period. The EC exists because it installs a low threshold for applicants, so forcing them to carefully consider their application; for AUCSA members because it provides a useful inside perspective into the candidates; and for the candidates again because they receive advise about their position and going abroad. They looked at general board member as well as position specific characteristics and based their proposed board on this as well as letter of motivation, interview, and these characteristics. They propose Floris for chair, Tim for secretary, Stefanie for Treasurer, and Steffan, Jerome, and Sezgi for CAO.

Q15) (Jan-Willem) Because kelly just raised her motion now. So will she be included in the outcome of your advice?

A15 (Camiel): There was a deadline for applications that was installed in order to give the EC time to do their job properly and she missed it; so no, we did not include Kelly in our recommendation.

9. Voting

The results of the voting are as follows:

Chair	
Floris Cobben	116

David Langerveld	53
Abstain	21
Secretary	
Tim Moolhuijsen	112
Quinta Dijk	66
Abstain	12
Treasurer	
Stefanie Berendsen	164
Abstain	26
CAO	
Steffan Oberman	156
Sezgi Iyibilir	130
Jerome Mies	137
Kelly Streekstra	82
Thomas Litan	32
Abstain	31

- 10. AOB
- 11. Closing