Statutes

Adjustments Statutes (English). A vote will take place about the contents of the text below, not their literal wording. After approval the dutch version of the text will be sent to our notary.

Explanation:

Article 3(3) (Artikel 3 Lid 3) of the Statutes:

The definition of primary members (gewonde leden) has to be changed to include students of the MSc Interaction Technology.

We want to do this by no longer directly writing out these studies but referring to the studies that are allied to S.A. Proto according to the University of Twente and our Rules and Regulations where we include a list of these studies. We want to do this because:

- 1. The arrangements about what studies belong to which associations are oral. According to the secretariat there are no official documents or place(s) online that confirm these arrangements.
- 2. If the studies allied to Proto change in anyway this can be changed in a timely fashion (without having to wait for a budget for the notary to update the statutes), giving primary members their rights as soon as possible.

Primary members will then be defined as members that are enrolled in a study allied to S.A. Proto as described in the R&R.

Article 16(4) (Artikel 16, lid 4) of the Statutes

During the OS GMA of the 28th of February, a question was raised about the voting rights of extraordinary (secondary) members.

Extraordinary or Secondary members are paying members of S.A. Proto that are by definition not a primary member, honorary member or donor.

Currently the association's statutes deny secondary members a right to voting. However this contravenes "Het Nederlands Wetboek 2:38 lid 1" which reads

Behoudens het in het volgende artikel bepaalde, hebben alle leden die niet geschorst zijn, toegang tot de algemene vergadering en hebben daar ieder één stem; een geschorst lid heeft toegang tot de vergadering waarin het besluit tot schorsing wordt behandeld, en is bevoegd daarover het woord te voeren. De statuten kunnen aan bepaalde leden meer dan één stem toekennen.

Roughly translated:

According to this article, all members who are not suspended, have access to the General Member Assembly and each have one vote; a suspended member has access to the Assembly in which the decision to suspend the member is dealt with, and is allowed to speak on the matter. The Statues can allot certain members more than one vote.

This means that all members of an association have the compulsory right to voting, withholding members their right to voting is in violation of the law, this means two things:

- All member of S.A. Proto (ordinary, extraordinary and honorary) members have the right to voting as long as the statutes remain unchanged
- The rights and/or definition of the types of members have to be changed in the statutes, these are the three options we want to discuss
 - 1. Extraordinary members are entitled to voting as well
 - 2. Change the rights of donors in the HR and make secondary members into donors. Currently donors do not also become a member of the association. The problem would be that an annual check would have to take place to see if all donors would like to remain donors. It is unconfirmed if Proto may automatically collect donations annually
 - 3. Make a payment plan available that gives people the rights that secondary would currently have according to our statutes. However payment plans like these have their own difficulties to overcome as regulations like these come with rights and duties for their holders.