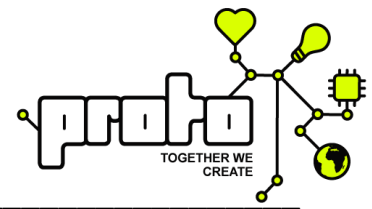


General Member Meeting



11/04/2018, 20:00

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1. Opening

5 Sander opens the meeting at 20:05.

2. Announcements

Unfortunately, Jaimy was unable to join us because of sickness. Therefore, the half-yearly financial report will no longer be up for voting but purely for review. It will up for voting in another GMM soon.

10 Jonathan makes an announcement that the document with the proposed changes to the part on the Board of Advisors in the House Rules was based on an outdated version of the House Rules. A change was made on a GMM in February of 2015, and this version was never uploaded to the website. On the Proto Wiki, a PDF can be found with the updated proposal.

15 Quinten asks everyone to lean or tap on the table as it makes hearing the recording back a lot more painful for the ears.

3. Quorum

There are 14 votes.

4. Fixing the agenda

20 Peter wants to request a vote on the admission of Charonne Smit and himself to the Audit committee. As this should have been on the agenda to be able to vote on it, this will happen in a future GMM.

Sander: As mentioned before, the half-yearly financial report will not be up for voting but for review.

25 5. Previous minutes

a. GMM 06/09/2017

Frank: There are a lot of weird style errors, as if it was put through Google Translate.

30 Frank: I have a question to Claudia based on line 70, there was an action point for her to send an evaluation of the lustrum, is this done yet?

Sander: We have not received this yet.

Frank: On line 225, Dennis gets coffee. I would like to exclude this part and hang it in the wall of success in Proto. On line 390 it suddenly
35 continues in Dutch, in several other parts as well.

On line 520 there is an action point for Kasper, has there been communication with Atlantis about the master market?

Xadya: This has been done, check the previous minutes.

Frank: Line 705 is Dutch again. As for line 880-885: There is a mention
40 of a recording but this should probably be put into text. On line 1075: I'm not sure what exactly it is I said here.

Frank: Has one of Sarah's moms become a member?

Sarah: No, this will still happen though.

Frank: Please make a note where the person who is taking minutes
45 changes.

Xadya: Have my adaptations to the yearly report have been made?

Sander: This has not happened yet, I will make this an action point for myself.

Voting: Approval of the minutes with mentioned changes.

50 For: 9

Against: 0

Blank: 0

Abstain: 5

Approved with aforementioned changes.

55 6. Documents received

a. Proposal for changing the Rules and Regulations with regards to the Board of
Advisors

Jonathan: This was set up from the Board of Advisors and approved by
the board.

60 Frank: Should the Board of Advisors check the board? Is the Board of
Advisors in service of the GMM or the board?

Ruben: The Board of Advisors is a committee of the board, aimed to
provide both requested and unrequested advice. If the Board of

65 Advisors feels unheard, they can feel unappreciated. One idea could be that if the board does not follow through with an advice, they notify the Board of Advisors with a good reason.

Frank: I think this could take away the focus of actual executing your board tasks, it is a lot of hassle to provide documents like that and the reasons should already be in the minutes of the board meetings so if 70 the Board of Advisors wants to know the reason, they can find out that way.

Jonathan: Not all advice has to be executed, a lot of advice comes in the shape of tips. It's not 'you should do this', it's more like 'you could do this'

75 *Frank drops some stuff and knocks over Quinten's laptop charger.*

Jonathan: I have a quick question for the GMM: Should the Board of Advisors have a checking function towards the board?

Yes: 10

No: 3

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Peter: Three votes here are from the Board of Advisors though, isn't that weird?

Jonathan: We're allowed to vote, we are a part of the GMM.

85 *Jonathan asks the same question around the room excluding the Board of Advisors, there is still a majority of Yes.*

Jonathan: It might be an idea to investigate this within the association.

Jonathan: Is anyone opposed to anything else in the document, taking the mentioned changes into account? If not, I'll make a new version in the break.

90 Dennis: It's a bit iffy to change the proposition House Rules on a GMM with this little people.

Sarah: It was on the agenda though so if people wanted to voice their opinion, they would be here. Also, bigger changes have been made on GMM's with fewer people.

95 *Voting: Approval of the alteration of the Rules and Regulations*

This point is delayed to await Jonathan's changes.

7. Half-yearly report

Front page

Xadya: What is going to happen with HMI?

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Sarah: I talked to staff yesterday, there was some unclarity on who had to make the first step. A meeting is now being planned with the relevant parties.

Jonathan: Watch out for the spelling and style errors.

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Abel: On the survey, I would like to see split up versions of these graphs.

Sarah: Frank, could you help us with that if need be?

Frank: Yes.

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Daniela: Line 105 is a part on a brainstorm regarding promotion, how is this brainstorm going?

Sander: There are no concrete plans for this yet.

Jonathan: On the survey, I think we can get a better impression of the results if we get the raw data.

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Frank: You could do this with the full graphs and written comments in an appendix.

Sander: I don't think releasing the written comments is very appropriate.

Jonathan: You could release numbers on the amount of written reactions.

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Philippe: What is going to be done about the missing schedule of the board room when Alfred is gone?

Jonathan: Technically yes, but it is still pretty hard to get our hands on the official schedule.

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Philippe: I'm happy the trash island went to the balcony.

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Daniela: When is the new function talk?

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Sander: We discussed this on the previous GMM as well, we were going to wait for the camp committee to be formed before checking if anyone needed training. Chairman is no longer required, the other functions will still be looked into.

a. Page 9

Philippe: Line 279 talks about the errors on the flowchart, who is going to fix this and when?

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Sarah: Me, as soon as I find the time.

b. Page 10

Philippe: Line 343, how is the planning of the minor market going?

Sarah: It is still being worked on.

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Frank: Quinten, congratulations on hitting your target. How did it suddenly get so high?

Quinten: I renewed some previous contracts.

c. P13

Peter: Regarding the food policy, as a TIPCie member I'm happy to see, as Audit committee not as much this would cost about €1800 annually.

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Sander: This was originally Jaimy's point but I'll try to answer it. The Guild of Drafters snuck into the helping committees and we want to try and support those committees by contributing with their food costs. If it proves to be too much, we could take them out.

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Jonathan: I'd rather see the amount go down than have the Guild of Drafters removed, €5 is enough for a Waaier meal.

Dennis: I would suggest having a meeting with the chairmen of the committees in question.

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Ruben: Why don't you take this up in the activity budget. You could make the organizing committee pay for the food and this could come from the participants fee as well.

Xadya: That's how it has gone the last few years. Other point: sometimes you can't leave as an ERO because of an open fire for instance, think about that when rewriting this.

d. Page 14

160 Abel: Has there been an evaluation on why certain people didn't join the camp this year and for what reasons? This might be nice for the survey at the end of the year.

Sander: There has not been an evaluation specifically for this but it's something the new committee could pick up.

165 e. Page 17

Xadya: "These people's futures will be discussed with them." I would scrap this from the report as you're publicly saying someone's future within committee is uncertain.

f. Page 19

170 Jonathan: There's something about the evaluation of the committee, but I don't see anything on the struggles within the committee, I believe there were some hardships not mentioned here.

Sander: Yes it is.

Sarah recites the part of the report that describes this.

175 Sander: Any general comments?

Peter: The Guild of Drafters and Videography are not mentioned on the assisting committees part of Appendix B.

Dennis: You could put the Guild of Drafters down for every drink in Appendix B.

180 Ruben: Great to see there are so many study nights.

8. Half-yearly financial report

Ruben: It is very sad the bookkeeping of the last two months is not up-to-date. Why is this?

185 Sarah: Work pressure and personal circumstances. I'm already helping Jaimy with the declarations and invoices.

Peter: As Audit committee I can confirm this, we're trying our best to finish everything in time.

Sarah: I'd like to personally thank the Audit committee for their effort.

Peter: Thanks, please also let the rest of the Audit committee know.

190 Ruben: Is there any prediction on when it will be finished.

Sander: We're no treasurers so unfortunately no.

Xadya: We're already out of printing budget, it's important for the board to have documents for instance during a GMM or any meeting, you should find some sort of solution for this.

195 As for the part on the good idea budget: it says "there have not been plans for the rest of the budget but we welcome new ideas", however whenever I give an idea I hear there's no money. So which is it? I'd rather hear you don't like my idea than keep being lied to about there not being money.

Sarah: I'm not sure why this is worded like this, I'm sorry.

200 9. Break

A break is held from 21:45 till 22:10.

After the break, Jonathan shows the updated alteration of the Rules and Regulations.

205 Frank: In the minutes of the original discussion on this topic on the GMM of 09-09-2012 the same discussion was held with the same arguments. The reason for Article 5 at the time was to reduce grey area for the Board of Advisors.

Dennis: There is also a part on neglect in 1.2, I presume this points to the first part where the Board of Advisors checks the decisions taken on the GMM.

210 What if the board neglects other tasks?

Jonathan: I think we are talking about neglect in the widest sense.

Dennis: What about financial parts?

Frank & Jonathan: The Audit committee has more authority on financial pieces but they can of course also come to the Board of Advisors.

215 Xadya: I think it would be good if the Board of Advisors can provide advice regarding the context financial situations, since there might be personal reasons involved which the Audit committee would not need to know. It might also be better to leave it grey area on purpose.

220 Dennis: I just want to reduce confusion but having it in the minutes like this is enough.

Voting: Approval of the alteration of the Rules and Regulations

For: 8

Against: 0

Blank: 0

225 Abstain: 3

The updated alteration of the Rules and Regulations regarding the Board of Advisors has been approved!

10. Static policy plan

a. Front page

230 Jonathan: There are a lot of spelling errors, and there's no colophon with all of the changes.

b. Page 4

235 Xadya: I thought at some point it was said on a GMM that it would be nice to have an introductory part in the Static Policy Plan what it is for, to show long term goals and show what did and did not go well on the long term.

c. Page 7

Xadya: The piece on the board room should be removed.

d. Page 9

240 Xadya: The Have You Tried Turning It Off And On Again committee should be removed from assisting committees. The part on committee communication should also be reviewed since there is no consistency with the part of committee size.

Frank: ProtOpeners is also not an assisting committee.

245 Jonathan: You could word it in such a way that committees should strive for 7 people, and add exceptions in the committee-specific parts. As for the Have You Tried Turning It Off And On committee, I don't think their size should be infinite but rather that their amount of maximum members should be worded differently.

250 e. Page 11

Frank: This part on the committee constitution drink is a new idea?

Sander: No, this was already a thing, it is simply worded differently.

Xadya: If it's optional, I would put it in the yearly report and not in the static policy plan.

255 f. Page 13

Frank: Educational panels can also be found in 4.4.5. This was already present in the last version but should probably be deleted now that we are talking about it again.

g. Page 16

260 Jonathan: I think it's great that there is a part on the financial security between Foundation ICE and Proto but I still don't get it.

Sarah: Basically, the study trip needs a loan and the University is willing to provide that but only to study associations so technically we're only a funnel.

265 Jonathan: What if the study trip can't pay back the loan, is Proto financially screwed then?

Xadya: It would probably be good to include that this is the only way subsidy can be requested in advance and that they will need to provide proof of the trip to OS to get it back.

270 Jonathan: But what if a student can't pay for the trip, is Proto responsible for them or will the University remove the debt? I just want to know who's responsible in case something goes wrong and I want to believe everything is safe but these are large numbers and I don't want Proto to suffer because of a mistake.

275 Sarah: I will find out exactly who is financially responsible in the end.

Action point Sarah: Find out who is financially responsible for the study trip if something goes wrong.

h. Page 18

280 Philippe: I would like the part on the do-group selection to be part of the static policy plan.

Xadya: That's not that smart yet because it has not even been executed once, so it would be better to wait with this.

Philippe: But it was said on the change of boards GMM that this would be done.

285 Xadya: That is not smart. If it turns out this doesn't work and needs to be changed again it has to go through here again.

Sander: If next year it is decided to be a good idea it can be included.

Xadya: On the part of not having a gala with Astatine and Atlantis: we had one lustrum where this was the case. I would take this out and wait and see what happens the next lustrum before putting this in.

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Jonathan: My version does not match yours here.

Sander: Yes, we're missing a whitespace. This will be fixed.

i. Page 19

Xadya: P.S.C. Lee Ho is in there twice and I think Guild of Drafters would have to be removed since it just started.

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Dennis: I would put this part under the TIPCiE and add the Guild of Drafters.

The piece on Guild of Drafters should be worded better.

Voting: Approval of the alteration of the static policy plan

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Nobody is opposed to approving the piece with aforementioned changes.

11. Any other business

Dennis: Shouldn't the same guidelines for the Board of Advisors apply for the Audit committee?

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Xadya: We talked about it and we thought it was a good idea, they are working on it.

12. Survey

Peter: Will there be a Committee Constitution Drink?

Sander: It is in the planning, yes.

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Ruben: Is the new candidate board known amongst you?

Sander: Yes

Frank: Did you know I can do this?

Frank bangs his head with his laptop stands to produce a hollow sound.

Sander: You're sounding less hollow than last time.

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Xadya: You think so?

Xadya: There will be new plants.

Frank: I forgot what I wanted to ask, do you remember Sander?

Sander: No.

Frank: Is there a drink afterwards?

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Quinten: Yes, it's in the invitation as well.

Frank: How did the first year student experience the GMM?

Frank calls Maartje Hannah, everybody scolds him.

Maartje: I think it was quite interesting.

13. Closing

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Sander closes the meeting at 22:54.