General Member Meeting



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5	Peter van der Burgt, Emiel Steegh, Maxim de Leeuw, Philippe Tuinman, Jeroen Ritmeester and Daniela the Leeuw are charged as board 8.0 of S.A. Proto
	Congratulations and thanks go around the room.
10	The break ends and the 28 th General Member Meeting of study association Proto resumes
15	12. Budget Plan 2018-2019 Continuing with presenting the budget plan for 2018-2019 presented with corrigendum (errata). Everything that is printed grey in the current document is from the original document, everything printed in black is new.
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	Participants: Maxim, Jaimy, Sarah, Jur, Ruben, Rens
30	There is a mistake in the part concerning the Jeroen's sponsoring. The liquidity is set to 0. This is because a mistake was made in the budget estimate being €9′500. Somehow this error missed the feedback rounds. The assembly is asked whether anyone is opposed to the budget plan stating that no liquidity will be built up this year, keeping in mind that all the

budgets are estimated generously with everything that ends up being surplus going directly in to the association's liquidity.

Jaimy is not opposed but mentions that having liquidity offers peace of mind, and therefore thinks planning it this way is not the best decision. On paper no liquidity is built directly so It looks like Proto is not building any liquidity at all.

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Sarah chimes in that liquidity is a useful thing to have, but it should be considered that in the previous years more liquidity was gained than had been planned for that year. This means that liquidity is well on its way towards the target liquidity for 2021-2022. But budgeting a liquidity gain of €0 is very low, nothing to be exact.

Jaimy and Sarah suggest looking into the sponsoring that will be gained and revising the current year plan for liquidity. The goal for sponsorship lies a little above the average and the plan of building no liquidity means that if Jeroen would fall short of his goal Proto loses liquidity

Jur joins the discussion. Near the end of Jur's board year (6.0) the liquidity plan was set in to motion. This plan entails adding €2′000 to the liquidity every year, for 5 years. The past year has been a good year meaning that the plan sits at €7′000 of the €10′000 final target. This means the liquidity gain that the plan prescribes this year has already been covered. If the sponsoring will fall short this year there is an "unforeseen budget" that can be used to cover the lack of sponsoring, as long as other budgets stay below their maximum.

The EEMCS subsidy is expected to be larger than what has been budgeted for this year, as the estimate is €58 lower than the actual subsidy of previous year and Proto is growing faster than other EEMCS associations because of the master Interaction Technology that became part of Proto.

Jur thinks it would be nice if the liquidity plan would be included in the budget plan but suggests voting in favour of the budget plan 2018-2019 considering that things will most likely turn out fine and if they don't there was enough liquidity to fall back on.

Sarah says that liquidity is built up in case money is needed soon, not in 5 years.

Jur points out that you should not pin yourself down on a plan however. The purpose of liquidity is breathing space and comfort, not saving money that necessarily has to be spent.

In an email Ruben sent he stated that he thought budgeting €2′000 was superfluous and that it would be a good idea to look for financial guidelines on how much reserves are necessary. He mentions Harambee's guideline for liquidity.

Sarah explains the Harambee guideline, but the explanation turns out to be made up. The actual guideline is: if a collection fails in the busiest month of the year, an association should still be able to pay everything they are supposed to pay for.

In the year of board 6.0 something similar happened and cost them €2′000. Jur mentions that it was not very ideal that this money came from his personal account, which is why the liquidity plan was put into place.

Calculations show that if in the most expensive month Proto's collection would fail €10'000 is required to be able to continue comfortably while still being able to pay for everything that needs to be paid.

Jur is somewhat confused as Ruben helped create the liquidity plan. However he agrees that it would be a good thing if the €2′000 for the plan would be budgeted and gained in 2018-2019 as

well. Mainly because this would mean the plan had been completed after its 3rd year instead of the 5th. A lot of liquidity would be great but it is not necessary and this creates the issues that people would want to start decreasing the liquidity. Just putting as much money in Proto's savings was never the plan.

Rens agrees with Jur that the liquidity in the budget plan should be approved in its current state and revised later for the half yearly GMM. Rens offers and proposes to sit with Maxim and look at the liquidity plan for the current year. Liquidity is usually most necessary during the Lustrum (although Proto has only had one as of now). Since Proto has built a fair deal of liquidity, and the Lustrum has just passed, it is not likely that problems will arise here. But to be sure a setting up liquidity plan specifically for the current year is suggested.

2.4.2 EEMCS Subsidy Interaction Technology

85 Participants: Maxim Frank, Sarah

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When will the subsidy for Interaction Technology be known?

This will be decided around February with all of the associations, but it may take some time before all the parties have signed off on this. This timing is ideal for the half yearly GMM.

Maxim will sit with Benno shortly and ask if he knows when this will come to the table.

There will most likely be some difficulties with Interaction Technology because the Human Media Interaction students will remain with Inter Actief and the whole ordeal is new.

2.7 Active Member Activity 2018/2019

Participants: Maxim, Sarah, Jaimy

95 Why is budget for the Active Member Activity (AMA) €1′700? this is €300 more than previous year.

Because a trend was noticed where it became progressively more expensive to take the members on the AMA. The previous year did not proceed ideally and the member count keeps increasing.

More members does not mean more active members, the latter usually stagnates around 100. The €300 could have been used for another budget, maybe a smaller increase would have been more appropriate

More committees were added to Proto in the past year, this has previously not been reflected in the AMA budget as they were created halfway through the year.

Do additional committees justify the €300 increase?

If you want to host a very extraordinary AMA increasing the budget with this increase still won't cut it.

If Proto suddenly gains a lot of new active members, not counting replaced active members, the increase feels more reasonable. Last years budget did not cut it because there were too many active members but because of an issue with the busses, so this is not representative for the normal order of business.

110 It seems there may be room for improvement in this budget, Maxim will keep this in mind.

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125	4.9 Printing
	Participants: Maxim, Frank, Jonathan.
	The explanation here states that printing downstairs on the university Xerox printer is as expensive as printing in Proto.
130	The printer downstairs is more expensive because of transaction cost of 0,3 cents on top of the 5 cents per page the two printers share. Master students (like Frank) need to print a lot, therefore the small difference in costs will add up over time. People that print a lot (like Frank) usually prefer the Xerox printer because it prints much faster, and breaks down much less often. The Xerox printer is also beneficial to sustainability as it can print on
135	two sides (without having to reverse an entire stack of paper after printing half) The discussion is closed as this has been discussed in the last GMM and that decision will not be changed.
140	Someone had not been paying attention and would like to say something about the previous page. The previous page is discovered to be 5 pages back, the attention is turned to page 6 once more.
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	3.17 SportCie

145 Participants: Maxim, Jaimy

It is understandable that the budget for the SportCie has been decreased, but €150 seems like way too much. The current budget of €350 is about how much the Batavieren Race and the StAf cost last year. With this budget the SportCie would most likely only be able to participate in those 2 events.

The new budget was based on last year's settlement.

SportCie has almost solely hosted events that did not require budget last year, something they hope to change this year as they would like to host bigger events of their own. The current budget leaves very little space for that. It wouldn't need to be much but the SportCie would like an increase in their budget.

This is the first time for Maxim hearing about the change of plans from the SportCie.

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3.12 Dies Committee

Participants: Maxim, Jaimy, Sarah, Rens

According to the Dies the budget planned for this year is way too low. Last year they spent €700 without buying extra things even. Since the Crazy Kangaroo is gone the committee has to pay for the hall for the dies party, as the Crazy Kangaroo used to supply their hall for free. Renting a hall costs about €150 so decreasing the budget by €200 leaves very little budget for the committee.

Sarah has made the financial settlement of the dies this year. The committee had a lot of budget left, which resulted in the dies dinner only costing the participants €8, and the dies cantus only €3. She thinks that the budget cut in the current plan is fair because the committee had €400 left previous dies. Jaimy does not agree.

The Audit Committee, old Audit Committee and similar people have discussed this topic and come to the consensus that Proto should let committees go over their budget if they really have to, and should not try to stop them from organising if they have overspent. Some committees go over their budget, some have never used their budget entirely.

Do keep an eye on the budgets, sit down with a committee if they think they need to overspend, see what they have and if they really need more. Do not change the budget plan over this matter, do look at it again for the rebudgeting.

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6.2 OmNomCom & 7 Appendix A

185 Participants: Maxim, Jaimy, Rens

For clarity it is explained that on this page you will find the budget for the OmNomCom and the Have You Tried Turning It Off And On Again committee (HYTTIOAOAc).

Why is the budget plan for the OmNomCom located on this page but the budget plan for the HYTTIOAOAc located in the appendix?

190 It would look better to have both in the appendix.

The totals of the HYTTIOAOAc are omitted, it would make it easier for the reader if these were added. The totals will be added to the document.

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A vote is called on passing the budget plan for 2018-2019 with the proposed changes.

The vote is passed with no one opposed.

200 The assembly applauds

Some people scream 'vo

13. The discharge and charge of the Board of Advisors

Abel Gerritse, Jonathan Juursema, Kevin Vogelzang, Frank Lammers and Xadya van Bruxvoort are discharged as the Board of Advisors of S.A. Proto.

Dennis Vinke, Sarah Hoekstra, Xadya van Bruxvoort, Jonathan Juursema, Frank Lammers and Kevin Vogelzang are charged as the Board of Advisors of S.A. Proto.

210 Participants: Philippe, Rens, Jonathan, Frank

Rens expresses curiosity on how there will be dealt with Sarah Hoekstra and possibly others living away from the University of Twente or having vastly different schedules.

Meetings will be held outside of college times, and a large part of work of the Board of Advisors (BoA) happens online. There are still others on the Board of Advisors that will often be present in or near Protopolis, namely Xadya, Frank, Kevin and Dennis.

Past year Abel Gerritse was part of the Board of Advisors, in this year he was sometimes present

during meetings through calls, this worked out well.

Specifically in Sarah's case it will be fine as she likes to call with Proto anyway, a little too much maybe.

220 A small intermezzo with translation.

Jonathan, announcing himself: "Jonathan hier voor.."

(Jonathan here for...)

Jaimy, shouting from the assembly: "Jonathan, jongen, ga zitten."

(Jonathan, sit down, man)

225 Jonathan, kindly replies: "Nee, hou je bek slet"

(No, shut up bitch)

Jonathan catches his breath and waits for the assembly to calm down

Jonathan thinks that it is nice to have someone on the Board of Advisors that has a little distance from everything that is going on, this might give a more objective or outsider-type view on matters.

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14. The discharge and charge of the Audit Committee

Rens Kruining, Peter van der Burgt and Charonne Smit are discharged as members of the Audit Committee of S.A. Proto.

Jonathan Juursema, Hessel Bierma Kevin Vogelzang, Rens Kruining and Tom Onderwater are charged as the new Audit Committee of S.A. Proto.

Jaimy would like to add that it is really amazing for Maxim and compliment the new Audit Committee that this many people are interested in money the Audit Committee, as a small audit committee was a large obstacle for her.

In the context of "The statutes allow this", Jonathan wants to change and re-do the vote with Jur van Geel included so that it is clear that Jur is still in the Audit Committee.

A point that has been voted on and has been finished by swinging the gavel can be revised and voted on again directly after the gavel blow.

Both Jur and Rens will remain in the Audit Committee but the issue is that Rens was discharged and then charged again while Jur was never discharged, leading to possible confusion.

Coming back to agenda point 14.

Rens Kruining, Peter van der Burgt, Charonne Smit ...

Assembly: "and Jur"

250 ... and Jur van Geel are discharged as members of the Audit Committee of S.A. Proto.

Jonathan Juursema, Hessel Bierma Kevin Vogelzang, Rens Kruining, Tom Onderwater and Jùùùùr van Geel are charged as the new Audit Committee of S.A. Proto.

15. Any other Business

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There is no other business to be discussed

16. Question Round

260 Xadya would like to "screw the board over" with an action point regarding the statutes. She already knows the answer to her question, but wants to have it black on white.

Since May 2018 Proto may revise their statutes, will the board create a committee to do this. Emiel wants to dedicate himself to this cause. A committee will be formed, the Board of Advisors plus, essentially a group including the Board of Advisors and members from previous boards since the last statute update, to help with and advise on this matter.

This answer satisfies Xadya.

problem on to Emiel.

Jonathan has a question regarding the minutes of the GMM of 13 September 2011. These minutes are missing they, are not on the Proto DokuWiki.

270 Peter agrees, this issue had also come to his attention and he asked around. There are audio files of this GMM but the minutes no longer exist.

Jonathan is going to be very dickish but this was the Change of Boards GMM from founders to board 1.0, there are no minutes and considering during this GMM a lot of important documents have been passed, Jonathan would like to propose that in some way or another minutes of this GMM appear on the wiki.

Whenever Peter tried to play the audio files of this particular GMM back they were corrupt, so he hopes that there exists a copy of these audio files that is not corrupt and proceeds to pass the

After some thinking Emiel carefully replies that he will look into it.

280 Jonathan advises to ask the founders, board 1.0 and board 2.0 if they have something in the dark caverns of their porn collection or clues that may lead to the files before doing anything else.

Jonathan also wants to clarify that he is serious when he says that these minutes are important because they among other things contain statutory updates and those, he has heard, are important.

Jonathan leaves with "kusjes" (kisses) and leaves the microphone

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Frank approaches the microphone, the assembly awaits in awe and terror alike. The following is a transcription of the events that followed.

"Hallo"

290 (Hello)

"Ik heb hier een object, ik wil daar een vraag bij stellen door middel van een gedichtje"

(I have an object with me, I would like to ask a question about this object through the means of a poem)

A reception bell appears and is placed unto the table

295 "Een bel, een bel."

(A bell, a bell)

The bell is smashed, a loud ding can be heard echoing through the Smart Experience Laboratory

"Het maakt geluid"

(It produces sound)

300 "Vinden jullie dat ik jullie hiermee kwel?"

(Am I tormenting you with this?)

The assembly utters mixed reactions

"Nou, dat was de vraag"

(Well, that was my question)

305 Peter thanks Frank and he leaves to make way for Jonathan

"Hallo ik ben Jonathan ik wil graag vragen of er zo nog een borrel is"

(Hello I am Jonathan and I would like to as if there is a drink after this)

"Die is geregeld door oud bestuur 7.0"

(That has been taken care of by the old board 7.0)

"Dat is... Ja, dat is een antwoord op mijn vraag. Waar is die?"

(That is... Yes, that is an answer to my question. Where is it?)

"Naar alle waarschijnlijkheid op het binnenplein"

(In all likelihood on the courtyard.)

Jonathan proceeds to remain standing near the microphone

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17. Closing

Peter closes the GMM at 01:53 AM on Thursday 05 September 2018