Study Association Proto

Semi-annual Report 2020-2021

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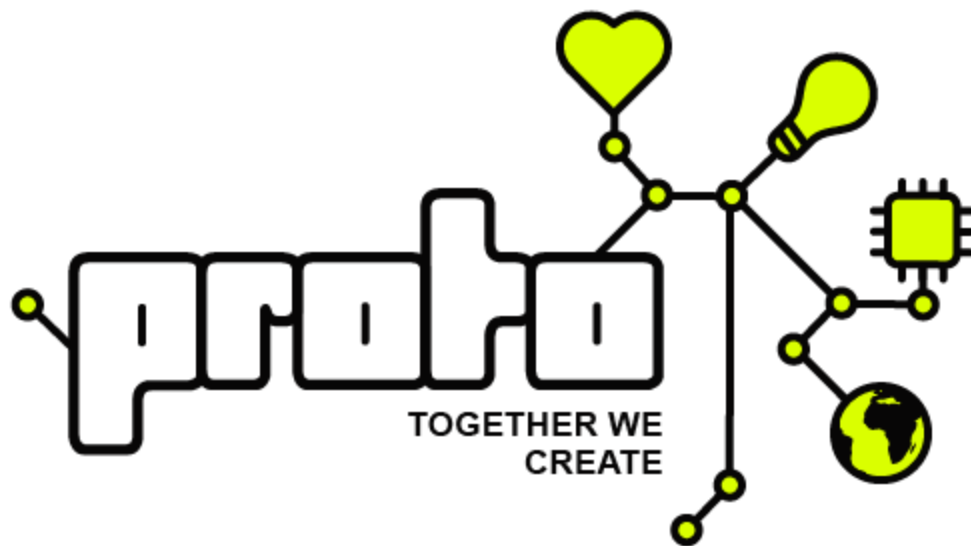
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1. Introduction

Since the change GMA at the start of September, a lot has changed both in- and outside of our
S.A. Proto. Less than a month after, no more physical activities were allowed and less and less
was allowed outside of everyone's own home.

Despite this unforeseen (and unwanted) development, a lot of surprising and fun things have
also happened. We as a board look back on a turbulent half year where we sometimes
struggled to motivate ourselves and others, but also learned to be more creative and adaptable
in situations where it seemed nothing was possible.

To reflect on our experiences, how those have reflected on S.A. Proto and to give members
more insight into these things, we have written this semi-annual report. For this report we took
the time to reflect on the policy we made at the start of the year and discuss the results of the
semi-annual survey. This survey was filled in by 21 respondents and the results can be found in
Appendix A.

In this report we also look to the future, for we still have half a year to go in this tenth year of
S.A. Proto's existence. In this half year a Lustrum is planned to take place, a second committee
market is planned, a new candidate board will hopefully be chosen and the redefining of a study
association in times of COVID-19 will continue to shape the rest of this academic year.

We hope you will stick with us for the ride and are as curious to see what the future brings for
S.A. Proto as we are, since nothing is set in stone and everything is possible.

Much love,
Board 10.0 of S.A. Proto 🖤

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3. COVID-19

3.1. Protopolis

3.1.1. General use

When it was open, the Protopolis functioned mostly as an office for the board. Members could come in and chill or get a snack, but if the full board was present there was only one other person allowed in the room (a maximum of five people was set for the Protopolis) so there was very little space or time to use the Protopolis for relaxation. As was written in our policy plan, the toasting iron has not been used by anyone. The fact that the toasting iron was not used was part of our policy. The oven was sometimes used by (board) members. This happened so infrequently that we did not feel like there might be a risk of virus transmission there. The limited use of the oven was not necessarily our policy, but we think that because the policy was in place for the toasting iron members assumed the same for the oven.

Multiple disinfectants were present in the Protopolis: one on the coffee table, one on the kitchen counter and one underneath the OmNomCom screen. These were not used often since disinfectant poles were placed in front of every door into the SmartXp. We noticed quite a low number of daily visitors, so most of the time the people who did visit, could stay in the Protopolis for as long as they wanted. However, whenever it got busy and multiple people wanted to stop by within a short time frame, we notified people that they should not stay in the room for too long and acted strictly when people did not adhere to this request. At these moments we ushered members out of the room. It being so busy also sometimes meant that a board member had to wait outside of the room until they could get in. This was a bit disruptive to the workflow at times but did give an opportunity to talk to members who were also waiting outside or standing inside, so overall it was not necessarily a bad thing.

A contact list was put down in the room every morning when the Protopolis opened again at the end of November, which was filled in by most people who stayed in the room for longer than five minutes. This list was not required by the UT, which is why it was not obligatory for everyone who entered. Fortunately, none of the lists have had to be used for contacting members about possible (indirect) contact with contagious members (these would be identified through either the COVID-application from the government or a notification from the member in question). Sometimes members did not fully adhere to the rules set, but when we addressed them people always listened.

Once we are allowed to open the Protopolis again, the same precautions will be taken and intended use will be maintained until the limit of five people inside the room is lifted.

Survey respondents said that they approve of the measures that were taken. The results also showed that despite the measures, the people who came to the Protopolis still felt welcome there.

3.1.2.   Food & Drinks

Coffee was placed outside of the Protopolis together with cups, sugar, et cetera. This was utilised quite a lot by people. As the end of the calendar year drew near less people came by for coffee, so coffee was made on demand and people got their coffee inside.

As for the OmNomCom itself, this was used mostly by members who already used it in the past. Whether this was because the new members did not know they could use it or because of another reason, we do not know. Once the Protopolis opens again and we have fully stocked shelves, we will promote the OmNomCom to all members to hopefully bring more new members to the Protopolis as well. Due to the changes in regulations that happened quite regularly, no new orders were placed. As soon as the Protopolis is able to open again an order will be placed with Makro to restock the shelves. For this order, we will keep in mind the fact that the Protopolis might have to close again before we sell everything. We will do this by thinking about the size and preservability of items.

3.1.3.   Boardroom

In our policy plan, we wanted to try and see if we could use the Boardroom as a chill space for members instead of the Protopolis since only very few people were allowed inside our association room next to the board. Due to the fact that only two people were allowed inside the Boardroom at any given time, we decided against using this space for relaxation. Once the limit of people inside of a room is lifted, the Protopolis will be used as a chilling space again.

3.2.   Activism

Throughout the academic year so far, the advice always remained to stay at home as much as possible. This is why no committees have been able to meet in person on campus and we as a board have not encouraged or facilitated this either. See the Active members section of this document for more information on activism within Proto in the first part of this academic year.

3.3.   Activities

At the end of September, the Dutch government put a cap of 40 people on outside activities and of 30 on inside activities. However, the University of Twente and events bureau decided to not allow any more physical activities until further notice. Lots of ideas and plans were proposed for activities where online and physical were mixed, but these proposals were also denied. For more information on the activities that did happen, see the Activities section of this document.

120 4.   Action Plan

4.1.   Protopolis Policy

4.1.1.   General

The lay-out of the Protopolis was changed so that 1.5m distance could be kept by all board members working in the room as well as other people entering. To facilitate this, one couch was
125 removed from the Protopolis. For now, we are planning to bring the Protopolis back to its original interior once the 1.5m distance rule is lifted since more members can be in the room that way. We will also buy a new couch to replace the one we threw away if this happens during this academic year. A reservation for this couch will be made if this is needed. Protube has been broken since the start of the academic year, but alternatives were found using the programs
130 Jukebox and Awaves. Due to difficulties with YouTube, no progress has been made with fixing the original Protube.

4.1.2.   Opening hours

The opening times differed slightly from what was written in the policy plan. Instead of 15:30, the room was open until at least 16:00. Usually, one board member would stay in the room until
135 about 18:00. This was never officially mentioned, since we wanted to have set opening and closing times and the possibility to leave a little earlier if we wanted to, but if asked we would answer with the time that the last board member was actually planning on leaving. Since the contact hours changed a lot, the phone in the Protopolis was forwarded to the phone of the Officer of External Affairs.

140 4.1.3.   ProtOpeners

Since the Protopolis was closed for a big part of quartile 1 and the first weeks of quartile 2, there was hardly any need for ProtOpeners in the first half of this year. However, during the first weeks of the year, they were necessary. The board was sometimes quite late with communicating a need for a ProtOpener to the committee, but there was never an instance
145 where the room had to close during opening times because of this. Sometimes the late communication was a result of unforeseen events such as a delivery error for a Foundation ICE barbecue that had to be fixed while all other board members had previous engagements, or an activity that was organised ad rem due to unexpected new possibilities back in September.

4.1.4.   Cleaning

150 Due to the Protopolis being closed, the only clean-up in quartile 1 was the morning after the GMM. In quartile 2 there was a cleaning moment when the Protopolis opened up again. The storage near Educafe was also cleaned just before the winter break. A news article on the COVID-19 hygiene was not made, instead a separate COVID-19 page was created on the Proto website with a link to the COVID-19 policy plan.

4.1.5. Keys

155 The code to the safe has not been changed since the start of the academic year, since the Protopolis was closed for a long time; for about two thirds of the academic year, nobody entered the Protopolis. The code will be changed as soon as the Protopolis opens up again in 2021.

4.1.6. Mugs

160 Since there was a limit of 5 people in the Protopolis and a national non-travelling advice in place, we decided not to have a mug clearing until all members can travel to the Protopolis without breaking rules set by the Dutch government.

4.2. Activity Policy

4.2.1. Committee Introduction

165 No general function trainings have been held yet. The board still intends to have these trainings after the second committee market. Thus far there have not been enough new members for specific functions to warrant a general training. Some individual trainings have been held with members who requested it or who were encouraged by a board member to follow a training. These trainings seem to have gone well since all new committee members picked up the
170 necessary skills and are functioning well within their committees.

4.2.2. Committee size

Maximum committee size has not been an issue in any committee, mainly due to the lack of new committee members. Some committees currently have to work with too few members. Our hope is that a second (physical) committee market will help to solve this problem. Committees
175 that require extra help will also be promoted on social media. The committees that do not find enough members after all this will be taken over by the board if their tasks are very important, or made non-active for this year.

4.2.3. Committee communication

All communication thus far had to be online, no committee has had a physical meeting since the
180 start of the year. Despite this, communication has been decent overall. Most committee meetings have still taken place during the break. This time slot has still proven to be best for most members. Committees will still be encouraged to hold physical meetings once this is allowed and deemed wise considering current measures. For this the schedule proposed in the COVID-19 policy plan will be used.

185 The board believes that holding physical meetings can greatly help with meeting efficiency as well as committee bonding. Once it is allowed again we will also try to organise additional physical team buildings for committees.

4.2.4.

4.2.5. Activity distribution

There certainly has not been an overload of activities in the previous months. Committees as well as the board have found it difficult to think of new activities to hold online and since there is a limited number of active committees at the moment, the amount of activities that can be organised is limited. Online activities have also proven to be not very well visited, which has lowered both committee motivation and the board's motivation to organise more activities. The board is currently experimenting with new ways to stay motivated, with varying degrees of success. Among these experiments is a daily energising exercise to wake everyone up and prepare for the day in a fun way. Our hope is to soon be able to organise more physical activities again.

As for the activities that we can currently organise, in the survey it was made clear by respondents that they would like some activities that involve more than sitting behind a screen. We are encouraging committees to come up with activities that involve a physical aspect in the shape of packages to engage attendees of activities with more than just a screen. Since respondents said that Discord was their preferred platform for activities, we will try to host our activities there as much as possible. As for the number of activities that are being organised, members would like to see more but also understand that this is not always possible. They would especially like to see more creative activities.

4.2.6. ProtoDay

Proto Days have not been held for most of the year. For the short period where they were possible, the activities were well-received. In its place, the board has started to organise a Discord chill session every Wednesday during the break. Attendance to these sessions has not been great, but due to the low effort nature and the value for the members that do attend, the board will continue with these sessions.

4.2.7. Event promotion

Poster promotion has not been an option so far. Committees had to rely on WhatsApp and Instagram promotion alone. The GraphiCie has helped out in making some interesting graphics for activities to post on Instagram or to use on WhatsApp. Throughout the survey respondents indicate that they feel like promotion is often done quite late. We have implemented a new system for our board meetings where activities appear on our radar further out than previously (four weeks instead of two). We have also implemented a Google Calendar to plan all promotions so that we don't spam members. We hope that these two things will help with making promotion feel less last-minute. Respondents also say that they would like to see more creativity in the promotion of events such as videos or other original ideas. We will try to push committees to come up with original ways of event promotion in the future.

4.3.   Member Policy

4.3.1.   Member acquisition

During the bachelor and master Kick-In, a short presentation was given about what Proto does and how members can sign up. This sign-up took place online and has become the standard way of signing up for Proto. The sign-up moment during the bachelor faculty Kick-In was a success, but the promotion in the I-Tech Kick-In did not seem very successful. Only a small part
of the I-Tech students attending the Kick-In were present for our presentation and we only received two or three sign-ups afterwards. A short talk was also given during a group lecture of all master students, but this did not seem a lot more effective. We will try to get a study association sign-up moment incorporated into the master Kick-In program for the winter Kick-In as well as the coming summer Kick-In since this seems to be the most effective.
The second part of the Integration Week had to be cancelled at the last minute, on the evening of the first day it was announced that no physical events would be allowed anymore until further notice.

4.3.2.   Member involvement

With the online events, it was really a question of trial and error for which activities worked.
Some activities that worked the first time did not attract any people the second time around. For example an Among Us activity attracted 24 people while the second time the same event only got 12 sign-ups. Game shows also proved to not be very popular while online workshops on interesting topics received great interest (a sign language workshop for example). We think this is due to the fact that it is something new that people haven't done that often as well as that it's
more interactive than simply sitting behind a screen and pressing buttons. A full list of activities in the first half year and their sign-up numbers can be found in Appendix B.

The lack of physical activities gave us time to work on student mental health. A workgroup was set up with members of various study association boards to discuss various problems and work on plans to try and better these issues. As a result of one of the workgroup sessions some
committees were asked if they wanted to add a 'personal round' to their agendas, which was implemented by some under the 'announcements' agenda point. Discussions are also currently taking place with the Student Union about a mental health forum. A page about mental health was added to the website, but this page is very much a work in progress.

4.3.3.   Board accessibility

4.3.3.1.   General Accessibility

From the results of the semi-annual survey that was sent out before this GMA, the overall board accessibility seems to be quite good. Respondents say that they feel that the board is easily approachable with questions and problems and there is no difficulty involved in contacting them. However, some respondents do note that sometimes they feel that their feedback is not taken
seriously or some things are acted on too late. We suspect that this is because we sometimes don't communicate our stance back to the giver of feedback, which was also a point some respondents raised. Lastly, some respondents note that for activities often things such as

promotion, acting on new situations and handling financial requests are arranged too late. We have put a system in place during our board meetings to hopefully prevent this from happening again. Overall the board received a 7.6 average functioning grade from respondents.

We will try to be more communicative regarding feedback in the upcoming half year by discussing feedback more in-depth and producing the outcome in a public place if the type of feedback allows for it. A lot of respondents mention that they feel that when things are communicated this sometimes happens quite late, depending on the board member. This is something that we have also noticed amongst ourselves and will try to work on this further in the next half year to ensure that the communication between board and members goes as smoothly as possible.

4.3.3.2.   Member well-being

Respondents' opinions are a little mixed on the involvement of the well-being of members. Some say that they would like to see more initiatives regarding mental health whilst others mention that they don't want us to take this up since they don't feel that it is our place as a study association board to do so. We will look into ways of finding a middle ground here to offer more support for those who need it whilst not overstepping members' boundaries.

4.3.3.3.   Social media presence

Some respondents said that they would like to see more from the board on social media. We will look into more things we can do to expand our online presence.

4.3.4.   Open Board Meetings

At the start of the year, two Open Board Meetings were organised. At the second Open Board Meeting, nobody actually showed up and at the first only three people were present. We tried to make the meeting agendas as relevant as possible by putting agenda points on it that we would otherwise have discussed at a regular board meeting, but this did not seem to attract more people. Because of this we decided to postpone these meetings until a time where Open Board Meetings can be held in-person again.

4.3.5.   Active members

Twelve new active members have been found, which is less than we had hoped for. Probably a big cause for this is that the physical committee market, which was supposed to take place on the last day of the Integration Week, had to be moved to the online environment. Very few people showed up to this committee market apart from the helpers, but it was nice to see that (old) committee members were still very willing to help out with the committee market. Since a lot of the older active members left their committees at the end of last year or the start of this year, a lot of committees are now left without any members. For most committees this is fortunately not a problem since they would not be able to work on anything regardless of the amount of members in the committee.

Christmas cards were sent to all active members and we hope to be able to organise some sort
of active member activity for them later in the year. We also hope to be able to hand out active
member appreciation presents in person instead of sending them through the mail.

In the survey, 41.7% of active members mentioned that they don't necessarily feel appreciated
by S.A. Proto. This is of course far from what we want, so we will look into finding ways of
appreciating our active members more. Respondents mention that they feel that their board
responsibles aren't always as motivated, so this might also have something to do with the
feeling of active members feeling underappreciated. We are currently trying various motivational
methods within our board and plan on introducing the effective ones for committees that would
like to also try them out.

4.3.6.   Master students

Master students have indicated that they are really looking for a community within the program.
However, since all activities had to be moved online, we have seen very few I-Tech students
turn up at activities. There have not yet been any master specific activities. There are no plans
in place for this right now since the InteracCie does not have any members and we feel that it is
more beneficial to build a community with all our members in times where fragmentation is
already happening all around us. Due to the digital nature of activities no activities together with
companies have been organised thus far, so offering master students more career-related
activities has not been possible. In the coming half year the board will focus more on
career-related activities to keep our master students involved in the association if the situation
allows for it.

4.3.7.   Alumni

An online alumni day was organised, which was quite successful. Members of the staff gave
interesting and funny presentations and a lot of people were present and enjoyed themselves.
The alumni panel will also take place later in the year, where a number of Alumni and staff will
give presentations for other students to watch and learn about the career development of
Alumni and the options for themselves once the students become Alumni. It is definitely a good
idea to keep organising at least one such alumni event each year. The online aspect might
actually be beneficial to this since alumni are not restricted by distance to Enschede. To keep in
contact with our Alumni there will also be at least one Alumni email this year with some fun
information about current staff and students and a promotion for becoming a donor of the
association.

4.3.8.   Evaluation

We decided against sending out quarterly evaluations since the EducaCie currently sends out a
lot of Google forms throughout the modules to check on students' progress. We want to avoid
spamming anyone, so we decided to abandon the quarterly evaluations we planned for in our
policy plan.

Apart from surveys, the online Good Idea Board has been used a lot by members to propose ideas. These ideas are discussed during either regular or open board meetings. The outcome of the ideas will from now on be added to the weekly newsletter after they are discussed. Talking to people separately for feedback has not really been an option so far this year. Since in the semi-annual survey it was said that more feedback moments would be appreciated, we will try to ask for feedback in more private settings digitally. Hopefully we will be able to ask individual in-person feedback more after the lockdown measures have lifted.

4.4.   Educational Policy

4.4.1.   Informing the students

Apparently some members still do not know who the Officer of Educational Affairs is, though the Officer of Educational Affairs has tried to be present on Whatsapp and through mail to make students aware of what is going on behind the scenes. To make sure more members know who the Officer of Educational Affairs is they will make a social media post to re-introduce themselves and the EducaCie. Apart from that they will stay active in the different Whatsapp groups and be sure to send at least one educational mail each quartile.

An evaluation of the first module has been made and was received quite well by the staff. An evaluation of the second module is also on its way.

4.4.2.   Educational communication

4.4.2.1.   Educational email

It is sometimes hard to find the right content to be worthwhile to send to all the students, especially for the master students. Despite this, there has been at least one educational email sent each quartile for the bachelor students and one email during the first semester to the master students.

4.4.2.2.   Proto website

A menu item with educational information has been added to the website. This menu item also features a page with useful links to information regarding CreaTe and I-Tech and another page with explanations about online systems used by the UT. During the next half year the Officer of Educational affairs will also improve the educational section of the website and DokuWiki with links to more educational resources. For example, programming courses or software tutorials.

4.4.2.3.   Other communication

The Officer of Educational Affairs is present in the Whatsapp groups of the different years of CreaTe and the I-Tech community. Next to that teachers are still asked to announce any education-related activities organised by Proto. Hopefully, education can also be included in the Proto podcast if it catches on.

4.4.3.   Flowchart

There has not yet been an update of the CreaTe flowchart, since this has been put on the backburner during the first part of the year. However, it will be updated before the end of the

academic year. The same goes for the plan to create an I-Tech flowchart. For this, the Officer of Educational affairs will contact some of the I-Tech staff and students to see if an I-Tech flowchart could be useful and what information should be included.

4.4.4. Practice material database

Thanks to some very active first year students the practice material database has gained quite some summaries and practise tests. No other study associations have been contacted yet about the accessibility of their study material. However, this is on the planning for the second half of the year.

4.4.5. Study material sale

4.4.5.1. Book sale

Despite having to take over the role of IAPC, the book sale has not been a large problem for the Officer of Educational Affairs and they have not needed help from the books committee. The communication with StudyStore regarding the book sale runs smoothly and there have been little to no complaints from students nor staff.

4.4.5.2. Sketching sets

Unlike the book sale, the sale of sketching sets for module two has been a major problem. At first the order seemed to be fine, but on delivery we found out that none of the blue pencils had been delivered and a backorder was made instead. Unfortunately, the supplier kept pushing the delivery date forward without notice until we eventually canceled the back order. We are still left with the problem of either returning the money to the students, finding some alternative product to deliver or making a public donation.

4.4.6. Education panels

4.4.6.1. CRITEEC

Unfortunately, the CRITEEC is still not fully reestablished and although there has been a change in chair, the committee still has not done any surveys on any of the first two modules. Hopefully, they will become active again in the second half of the year. The Officer of Educational Affairs will discuss with the study coordinators and the CRITEEC about the future of the committee.

4.4.6.2. Accreditation of Creative Technology

The accreditation report has been finished and the proof visitation went well. The Officer of Educational Affairs has not been very involved with the accreditation but did read the report and keeps up to date on the progress.

4.4.7. Educational Committee (EducaCie)

4.4.7.1. The committee

Unfortunately, the committee has not yet had a formal introductory social media post. The plan is to still have a committee introduction done during the second half of the year. The committee

has been actively organising study nights despite the limitations from government and university regulations.

4.4.7.2.   (Bi-)Weekly surveys

The EducaCie has picked up the task of making a weekly survey for the first year students and a bi-weekly survey for the second year CreaTe students. The goal of the surveys is to keep a close eye on the progress and well being of the students, because it can be hard to keep up with the curriculum with classes being online. The results are summarised and shared with the relevant staff. So, far the (bi-)weekly surveys are being filled out by a handful of students each time and the information has been quite useful and very much appreciated by the staff.

4.4.7.3.   Minor & master market

The committee has also organised an online minor market and will later organise a master market as well. The organisation of the minor market did not go as smoothly as hoped, as most work was placed on one person who was already quite busy. It was hard to find speakers for the minor market and not many students showed up for the event. This was also due to the fact that the event had to be held online and probably also because there was no free lunch provided. The committee has also internally evaluated the organisation of the minor market. For the master market the committee will try to involve more of the older or previous committee members to help successfully organise the event and better distribute the workload and perhaps even try to deliver free lunch to the participants.

4.4.7.4.   Splitting the committee

The committee has been successfully split into Y1/Y2 and Y3/I-Tech, giving the committee a lot more time to discuss the points brought up by the students. The Y1/Y2 group is more involved in organising study nights and the minor/master market. The Y3/I-Tech group is still kept in the loop about these events and are also welcome to help if they like, but the meetings are focused more on just the feedback from these students.

4.4.7.5.   Communication with the CRITEEC

As mentioned in the paragraph about the CRITEEC, the committee has not been active and there has not been any communication between the EducaCie and the CRITEEC.

4.4.8.   Study nights

The physical study nights were very popular, especially when these were the only in-person activities the association could organise. The students seemed quite eager to attend any in-person activities they could. The fully online study nights are less popular, but there are still enough attendees to keep organising them. Especially because these do not require much work from the committee apart from promotion, it is still valuable to organise them.

4.5.   External Policy

4.5.1.   External support

4.5.1.1.   Financial sponsorship

Acquiring sponsorship has proven to be an extra challenge in times of COVID-19. Most companies are willing to help out and think of fun activities to do, but financial sponsorship is generally put on hold until physical activities are allowed again. Currently there is a very limited number of options besides promotion on our website or through social media. Other possibilities are currently being explored, for example: company attendance at other (online) events or more creative workshop topics.

Some online lunch lectures have been tried, but attendance is not that great at these lectures. The Officer of External Affairs does still believe that it is possible to reach the target of 6000 euros. Currently more than half of the required target has already been reached. This money is still largely "to be received", as some contracts still have to be set up and some invoices still have to be sent.

4.5.1.2.   Creative sponsorship

Negotiations for Lustrum activity sponsorship are still ongoing. Some interested companies have already been found.

The Beiaard has also been contacted to organise a beer tasting which will hopefully result in a price discount for this event.

Other possibilities of prize handouts at events are also being discussed.

4.5.2.   Member discount

No further development has been made on member discounts. For now, no further efforts will be made to get more member discounts. Since there have been no updates on discounts in previous years either, this subtopic will only be covered in future GMMs if there is a new update.

4.5.3.   Acquisition Committee

The Acquisition Committee has set up some new company contacts this year, which have been further pursued by the Officer of External Affairs.

A company dinner was again planned to take place this year, however due to many uncertainties the likelihood of that still taking place this year is lowered. For now, the committee decided to wait until a physical dinner is possible again.

In general, committee motivation has been a bit low this year, mainly due to the lack of anything substantial to do or the lack of anything to do with a new company once it has been found.

No new members have been found for the Acquisition Committee, which will be very necessary in the near future. The committee will get social media promotion in addition to the committee market to hopefully draw in new members.

4.5.4.   External promotion policy

A collaborative activity with Inter-Actief is on its way and being discussed. It was decided to wait until after the current lockdown is over to fill in most of the details.

Apart from that, for module 7, a collaboration has also been set up with Stress and Inter-Actief for a workshop regarding starting your own company. This workshop will take place in March.

External promotions by other associations are sometimes mentioned in the weekly newsletter or on Instagram for lack of an external promotion poster board.

4.6. Financial Policy

4.6.1. Usage of surplus sponsorship

In case the association collects a surplus amount of money due to sponsorships, the money will be distributed according the following table:

Destination	Amount (€)
Active Member Appreciation	500
Protopolis reservation	300
Liquidity increase	Rest

The first €500 will go to active member appreciation, if possible this will be used for the active member activity. If the government regulations don't allow for an active member activity to take place, the board will think of another way to use this to show their appreciation for their members. When there is still a surplus amount left, €300 will be put in a reservation for the Protopolis which the next board can use to improve the association room. In case there is still a surplus amount left after that, it will be used to increase Proto's liquidity.

4.7. Other Policies

4.7.1. Sustainability

We have tried to act more with sustainability in mind, but COVID-19 has made the use of single-use items more necessary. However, as mentioned in our policy, once we can open up the Protopolis again for a longer time we will restock the OmNomCom shelves with more sustainable items. This was also requested quite often in the survey. We also try to buy our single-use items in the most sustainable form possible (for example, reusable face masks will be ordered in February) and items that are used during activities can be taken home or kept by participants afterwards for them to re-use.

4.7.2. Social Media

Social media has been our main form of communication with our members. Instagram is used to promote all bigger activities and to show a variety of other things. The board is experimenting with showing 'a day in the life of a board member'. So far only one board member has shown a day but the reception has been good, so this will be continued for the other board members during the search for the next candidate board. To make sure the board stays on top of social media in the future we will create a schedule with promotional posts but also with other pictures and imagery such as a Valentines recipe book in our Instagram story or a compilation of creations from previous events.
Whatsapp promotion is generally received well according to the survey, 81% of respondents say that Whatsapp is one of their preferred ways of contact with S.A. Proto and 83.3% heard of activities via WhatsApp. This might be due to a lower quantity of activities that have to be promoted. The GraphiCie has made some graphics for special promotions.

Facebook has thus far only been used for company promotions. However, since we feel that interest in Facebook is slowly fading among students this is not seen as an issue. On the other hand, to still cater to some older students and those who still do actively check Facebook the board will try to add some non-company related events to the Facebook page.

In the survey, it was made clear that respondents don't see a lot of Proto. We were a little hesitant about posting too much since we didn't want to spam our members, but we will try to post more materials on our social media channels to increase the amount of things people see from us.

4.7.3. Digitisation

Just before the start of the academic year the membership contract signing got digitised. Next to that, some research has been done into what documents should be kept in which form. The conclusion was that most documents should be kept in their original form in which they were received, this means that contracts received digitally should be kept in digital form. On the other hand that also meant that contracts signed on paper can not be digitised and thrown away, but should be kept physically instead. Attention has since been given to sending these documents in digital form only. Next to that, external parties have been asked to send their documents to us in digital form as well. Proto has its own cloud storage which is used to keep these documents in an orderly manner.

4.7.4. Foundation ICE

The budget plan of the trip has been approved by the General Member Assembly of Proto, so the Foundation can now apply for a loan from the University. The educational courses have started as well. Due to the growing uncertainty of travelling abroad in 2021, a group of study trip organisation representatives meets monthly to discuss the situation. There are more associations organising their study trip in these strange times and they all feel that sharing knowledge is beneficial right now. The Foundation is also in contact with embassies and other relevant organisations. On top of that, the Foundation is tackling legal and financial complications associated with possible cancellation or postponement of the study trip, such as the refunding of income earned through case work. For now the trip is still scheduled to take place, but the ICE board and participants are aware of the fact that the trip will most likely have to be postponed to the summer of 2022. This has been discussed with the staff members involved in the organisation as well, who are on board with this decision. A final decision will be made at the start of April 2021.

4.7.5. Societies

The first societies have been approved and are already hard at work. Before each society was approved, we asked them for their financial plans to make sure that they will not end up in trouble with funding of the service they are planning to provide. A trial period was not set in motion for these societies since we felt that it would be unreasonable to fairly judge a society on their work in the first ten weeks in times of COVID. Once the situation goes back to normal, trial

periods and quarterly evaluations will also be reinstated for then-new societies. If a previously
approved society has not made any progress since their approval up until this reinstatement
point, they will also get a trial period as described in the societies document on the DokuWiki.
Every society has been appointed a contact person within the board. This person is there to
answer questions and to approve all plans of the society before any financial risks can be taken
by the society.

The societies that have been approved so far are the TaartCie, Sk8erbois, and the Lustrum
Songciety.

4.7.6.   Proto Podcast

Due to interest from many members, a start has been made with a Proto podcast. A first
episode has been recorded. If the podcast is well-received and the people working on it also
want to continue seriously working on the podcast, we will look into making this into a new
committee. The podcast is still working on the specifics regarding the promotion and hosting of
the podcast once it is ready for publication.

5.   Committees
5.1.   Forming Committees

Committee formation has been tough. Sadly, a physical committee market could not take place.
An alternative was organised on Discord, but this did not prove very successful; only about four
people showed up besides the helpers from the committees. With the lack of most physical
activities it has been hard to show potential new members what committees do. Our hope is that
a second committee market can take place physically in the coming months. However, some
new members have been found through the committee market and Whatsapp- and peer
promotion and they have generally enjoyed themselves in the committees. In the survey
respondents indicated that they didn't necessarily feel like enough was done to find new
members for committees. We are preparing a social media highlight post for some committees
and will also start committee introductions after that. Hopefully, together with the committee
market that is planned this will be enough to fill our committees up to a satisfactory level. A tip
was given to send out a general email with information about the committees, we will also look
into this.

5.2.   Activity Committee Extraordinaire

This committee has already organised several activities, but unfortunately those had to be
altered extremely (Capture the Flag) or cancelled (Murder MACEtery). The committee continues
to work on a secret activity during the Lustrum period and hopes to be able to organise some of
the altered or cancelled activities later in the year.

5.3.   Acquisition Committee

See 4.5.3 Acquisition Committee.

5.4. Almanac

The Almanac has finished the first test print and will start actively promoting the book in March. All articles and text from other parties has been collected. There were some issues with the content that had to be created by the committee itself as the workload, as some members could not complete their parts in time due to other responsibilities outside the committee. Fortunately, this was easily solved by redistributing these tasks. It was hard to find companies that wanted to sponsor the almanac, but do-groups could also purchase pages, which were very popular. All in all, a total of €470,- in sponsorship has been collected so far. There will be a pre-order during March and the book will be ordered at the start of April, to hopefully be delivered to our members just after the Lustrum week.

5.5. Alumni Committee

The tasks of the Alumni committee have been taken on by one of the board members as no other committee members were found. So far this has not been a problem as there is a lot of cooperation from the study programme. Also see 4.3.6 Alumni.

5.6. Camp Committee

The Camp committee has been on hold since the start of the year. There is still plenty of enthusiasm in the committee to organise a camp, but it simply has not been possible in the past months. The likelihood of a Camp still taking place before the end of the year is very low. A possibility to have one larger camp for first years as well as second years will be investigated for the start of the next academic year.

5.7. Culture Committee

One member left the committee this year, but luckily another joined as well. This year the committee only organised one activity, which had quite a low turnout. A Bob Ross activity is being prepared, for which the idea came from the good idea board, and other associations organised a similar activity quite successfully as well. This makes us expect this activity to be more successful than the first one.

5.8. DisCo

At the start of the year, a few meetings were held. During these it was decided that the committee would not organise anything themselves until the 1,5m distance rule was lifted by the University.

5.9. DIYCie

Last year, a new DIYCie was started which resulted in a total of two DIYCies, DIYCie 1.0 being the already existing one and DIYCie 2.0 being the newly started one.

5.9.1. DIYCie 1.0

At the beginning of this academic year, the DIYCie 1.0 workshop finally took place. The workshop went well, although the planning was a bit off compared to reality. This feedback has also been passed on to DIYCie 2.0 to prevent this in future workshops. After the workshop was held, the DIYCie 1.0 committee was disbanded.

5.9.2. DIYCie 2.0

During this academic year, quite some members of DIYCie 2.0 had trouble finding motivation to work on preparing the workshop, especially with the absence of evenings to work on the prototype together. This resulted in the committee to shift to another goal. The committee came up with some smaller projects. The committee will start prototyping and working out these smaller projects soon and hopefully be able to organise a smaller workshop in the near future (if the regulations allow for it).

5.10. EducaCie

See 4.4.7 Educational Committee.

5.11. EmergenCie

Two new members joined the EmergenCie this year. A number of the older members have already had their refresher course for the ERO training, but for some those courses were cancelled due to COVID-19. Since there are currently no physical activities that need an ERO, this is not a problem at the moment. A design for a new, elastic ERO strap has been made and has been ordered. These new straps were needed because the old ones were extremely difficult to put on by yourself. Some experimenting was done with elastics and the straps that were still lying around to see if that would already make the straps easier to put on, but this did not work out.

5.12. ENTROPcY

ENTROPcY is currently on hold. The committee decided to wait with organising activities until physical activities will be possible again.

5.13. First Year Committee

Halfway through the first semester a member change took place. The committee now has two first year members, next to the second year and board responsible. The committee has organised a game show and a well-visited Harry Potter themed evening so far. Plans for new activities are made as the COVID-situation surrounding activities evolves; this means that they have some activity ideas laying around for the online as well as the physical realm.

5.14. FishCie

The FishCie has been hard at work with keeping the fish alive without the possibility to visit Proto every day. So far this has proven successful since all of the fish are still alive. Plans for

redecoration of the fish bowl are still in progress but they are currently on hold. A budget plan
also still has to be made.

5.15. Gala Committee

The Gala Committee currently consists of two members. Since a gala as we know it will most likely be impossible to organise this academic year, the decision was made to organise a gala dinner instead. Together with the Lustrum Committee it was decided that the dinner would serve as the Lustrum dinner for the tenth birthday of S.A. Proto. A theme has been decided and will be revealed later this quartile, pre-activities have been set and an external location has been found to host the dinner. The committee is also working on an alternative plan in case a physical dinner will not be possible on the 20th of April.

5.16. GraphiCie

The GraphiCie has switched completely to making social media posts instead of the regular posters. To have all information for the designers easily accessible, a couple of Trello cards have been added to the committee's Trello board with information and downloadable templates. Unfortunately the committee has not been able to find a new chair, though for now there is an interim-chair. No meetings have been planned after the initial switching of the board responsible. There has also been a lack of feedback by committee members on designs posted on the Trello. Despite all this, everything is going well and designs are still looking great and finished on time.

5.17. Guild of Drafters

The Guild of Drafters has been mainly inactive in the past half year. The plan is to have a refreshing course for Drafters once this is allowed again, since most have not been able to draft for a very long time.

5.18. Handyman Committee

The Handyman Committee has been working on creating a glow sign for members to put together. The day the distribution was supposed to start, the University had to close due to COVID-19 measures and the building packages could not be finished since Alfred was too busy on the day before this distribution day. As soon as the University opens again and Alfred's services are once again available on a regular basis, the packages will be finished and a new sign-up will most likely be opened.

5.19. Have You Tried Turning It Off And On Again committee

Two new members have been found for the committee at the start of this academic year. Both these new members already have some programming experience which proves really useful. They are currently learning more about Proto's systems and are already working on some extra features for the Proto website. The committee is currently looking into the implementation of G-Suite as a new email and possibly storage solution. G-Workspace would allow for easier committee mailings and automatically shared drive folders. The Protube has not been fixed yet due to lack of experience and of time to create an alternative.

5.20.   Integration Week Committee

The Integration week was a week planned with 5 activities at the start of the year to replace a lack of Kick-In activities. Initially, the plan was to make these activities exclusive to first years. However, there were not enough sign-ups for most activities, so it was decided to also promote the activities to older years. But sadly, the Integration Week turned out to be the first week where lockdown measures were reinstalled, which is why only one of the planned activities actually took place. This activity was visited quite well.

There are currently no plans to continue with the Integration Week next year. If the Kick-In can happen in a usual fashion, the Integration week will most likely not be necessary. However, if the Kick-In will still be lacking in activities the next board can decide to continue with the Integration Week Committee next year.

5.21.   InteracCie

The InteracCie has unfortunately not been able to find new members and for now stays inactive. The board will focus more on organising activities aimed at master students and hopefully get them excited about our association. They aim to organise at least two activities for master students in the coming half year.

5.22.   Kick-In Committee

No progress has been made thus far on starting a new Kick-In Committee, which will be necessary very soon, in order to prepare for the next Kick-In. The committee will be promoted to first years students on the next committee market as well as on Instagram.

A switch in task division has been made for the Kick-In Committee. With the current lack of interest for the Committee, the board decided it was necessary to place a board member on the committee with more experience in organising the Kick-In. Thus, responsibility for the Kick-In committee will be taken over from Jonathan Matarazzi by Sebastiaan van Loon.

5.23.   Lustrum Committee

The Lustrum committee is well on its way in preparing activities, some of which have already taken place. The activities thus far, although limited to online, have been well received.

For upcoming activities the committee is making scenarios for various levels of possibilities. The committee is trying to prepare for having only online activities but hope is still being held to organise some physical activities.

The Lustrum Committee is currently exploring a number of collaborations with other committees, among which are the SportCie, the Gala Committee and the ACE.

The Committee still has a great number of activities scheduled: a Beer Tasting, Robot Wars, a Talent Show, as well as many other activities which will remain hidden for now.

5.24. OmNomCom

The Protopolis has been closed most of the time this academic year. This has resulted in no food orders being placed so far. There has been contact with Makro, and an order has been prepared for when the Protopolis opens again and members can come by to buy food again.
The Protopolis has been closed a while now, which has resulted in no stock checks happening yet. When the Protopolis opens again, the stock will be counted and checked for spoiled goods.

5.25. pLAN

The committee members are very much enjoying themselves. Despite the limitations due to the ongoing pandemic the committee still thinks of new and exciting activities. The different activities organised by the committee have had varying levels of success, but most of them had a decent attendance and were a lot of fun. The committee has also had a teambuilding where they played games together.

5.26. Protography

The Protography was present for a short while at some physical activities, which has resulted in at least some photos on the website. No attempts have been made at taking photos of online activities, since there was no enthusiasm for this within the committee.

5.27. ProtOpeners

See 4.1.3 ProtOpeners.

5.28. ProtoTrip

Unfortunately, the ProtoTrip had to be cancelled due to the ongoing pandemic and travel restrictions. Because of this, there has not been an effort to find new members for the committee. Hopefully the committee can be restarted next academic year with a bunch of new enthusiastic members.

5.29. SportCie

At the start of the academic year, two members left the SportCie. Luckily, a new member joined after the online committee market. The SportCie has had some troubles coming up with activities. Most normal SportCie activities weren't possible to be held online. The SportCie did come up with one activity, beer yoga, which was quite successful. Since the new lockdown, the SportCie went temporarily inactive until physical activities were (partly) possible again or until a good idea for an online activity surfaced.

5.30. Symposium Committee

The Symposium Committee has not yet been formed, due to lack of interest by members in other committees, which were deemed more important at the time. An effort will be made to start the committee this year. This will hopefully result in a new Symposium in the year 2021-2022. Further efforts for starting the committee will be taken over by Jonathan Matarazzi. This change was made because the Kick-In committee was moved to Sebastiaan van Loon and

another committee had to be switched back to Jonathan Matarazzi to keep the committee division balanced.

5.31.   TIPCie

770 The TIPCie has not been able to organise many drinks this year. A couple of drinks have taken place outside at the start of the year, which were generally well visited. The committee has been hard at work to make sure people adhered to the corona measures at these drinks, which has proven successful. A special corona coordinator was present at every drink as well as soap dispensers and special markings on the floor.

775 A special online beer tasting is currently planned to take place in collaboration with the Lustrum committee and the Beiaard.

A vote was held on the SBZ loan vs. gift discussion (see GMM 38 for clarification). It was decided SBZ will receive the needed funds via gift instead of loan, which leaves associations free to make up the lost money in whichever way they prefer.

780 Beer prices will still be higher for the foreseeable future, since we will not get the same discounts from Grolsch this year as previous years.

6. Final Words

We thank you for reading this document and hope it has provided some insight in the past and future half year of S.A. Proto. We understand that it's not the most cheerful semi-annual report you ever got to read which is why we're even more grateful that you did. Times are hard for everyone right now and we appreciate each and every one of you immensely for what you're doing for our wonderful association. Despite the fact that we're all apart physically, the support you continue to give to us makes it feel a little more like the Protopolis we all know and love. No matter where we are. We hope to see all of you again really soon and for now please stay safe, healthy and most of all happy.

With love,
Board 10.0 of S.A. Proto 🖤

7. Appendix A - Semi-annual Survey Results

The semi-annual survey was filled in by 21 people. For the open questions, summaries of the given answers will be sent as an erratum for the 40th GMM and added to the revised version of this semi-annual report.

7.1. General Information

7.1.1. For how long have you been a student (at the University of Twente or somewhere else)?
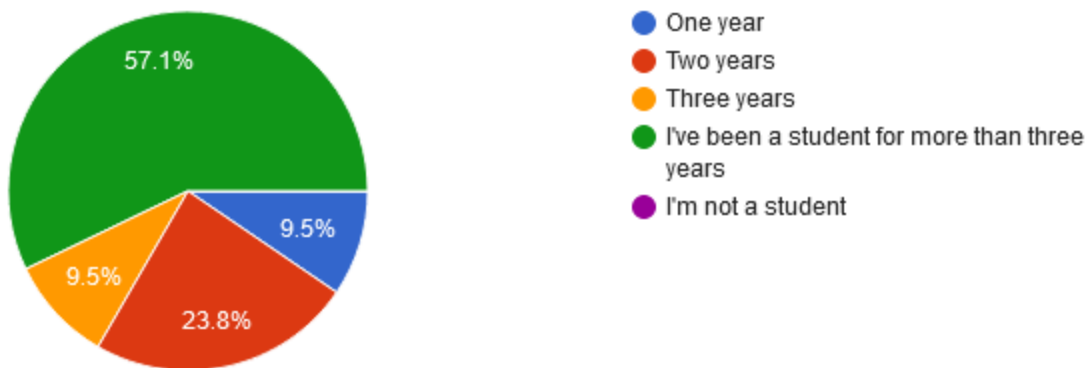
7.1.2. Do you consider yourself an active member of Proto?
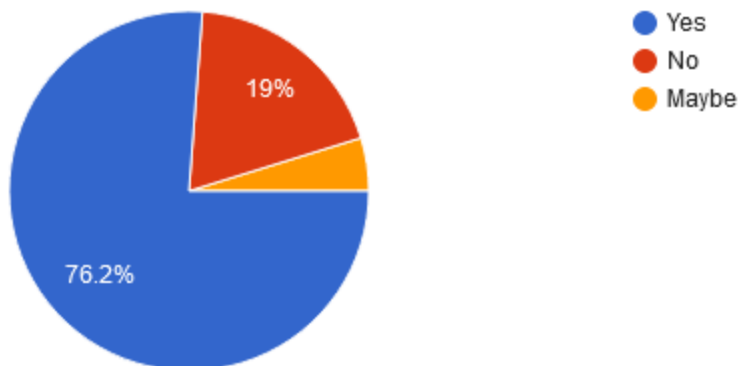
7.1.3.   Why do/don't you consider yourself an active member?

The respondents who considered themselves active members all indicated that they are a member of at least one committee and most of them also said to be going to (a lot of) Proto activities. The ones who did not consider themselves active thought so because they do not attend that many activities or are occupied with their activities at other associations.

7.2.   Education

7.2.1.   To which study program are you enrolled?
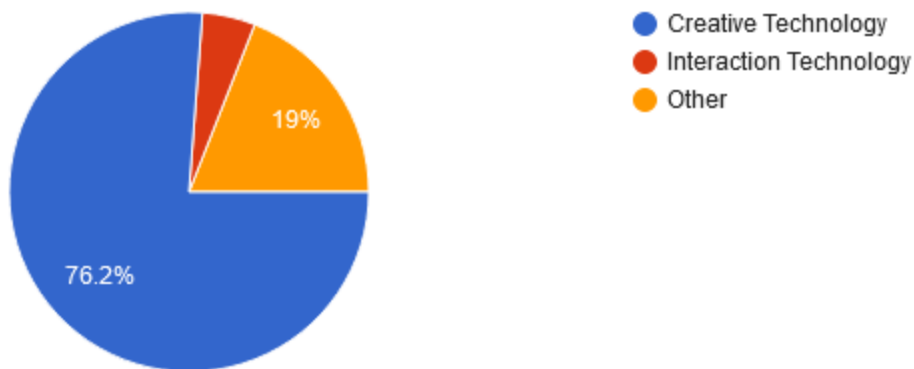
7.2.2.   Proto provides me with sufficient educational information (flowchart, mail, overviews)
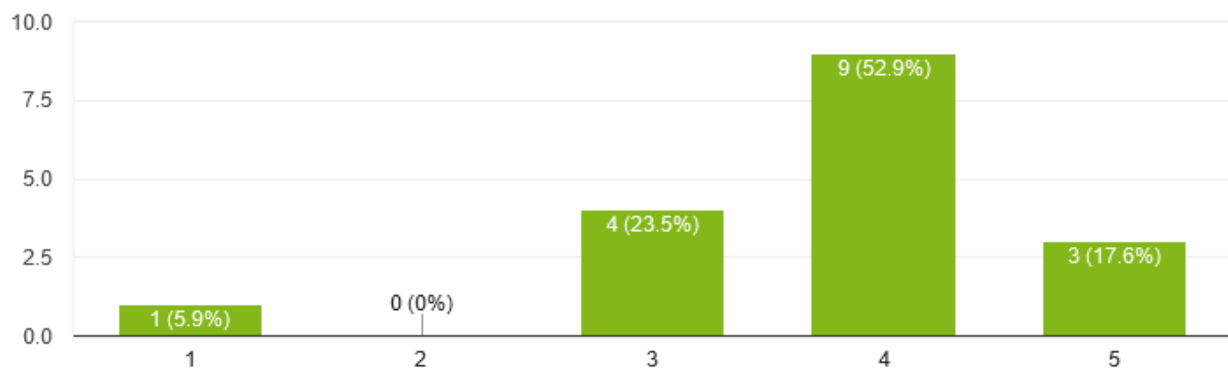
7.2.3. I know who to go to whenever there are problems within the study
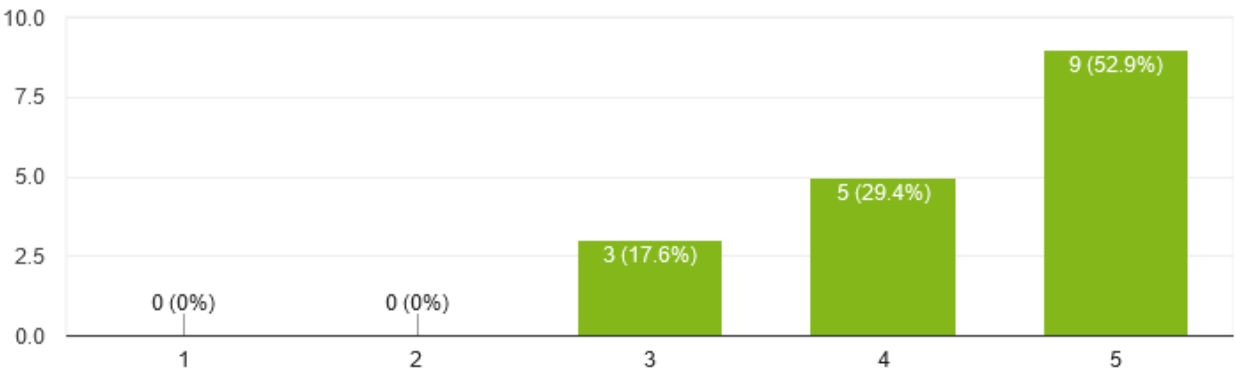
7.2.4. I feel like my educational problems and complaints are taken seriously
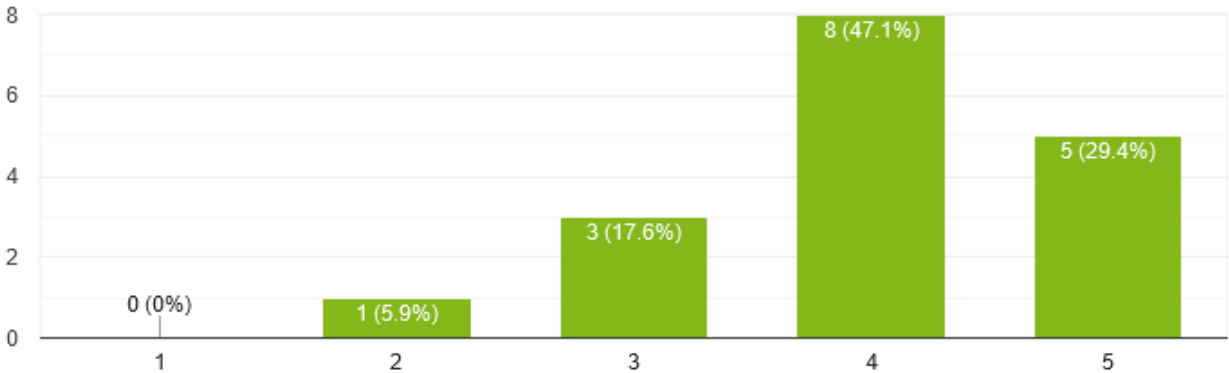
7.2.5. I feel like the educational mail I receive is useful
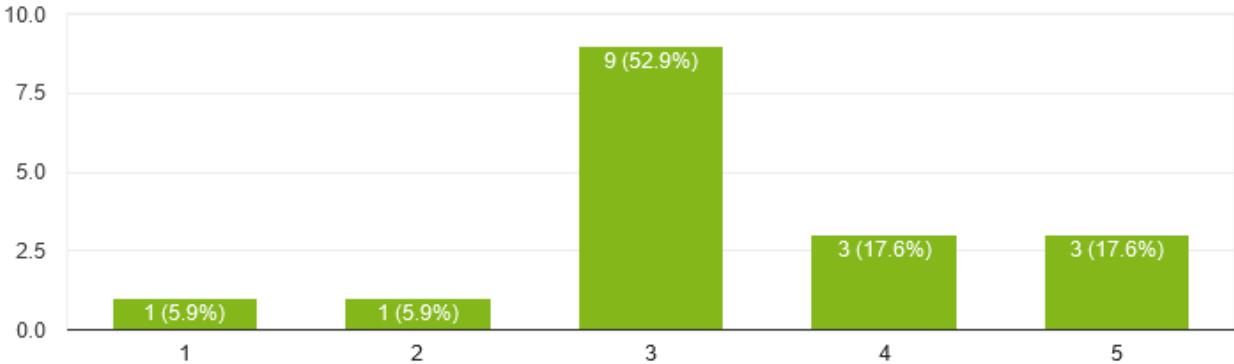
7.2.6. What is your opinion on the educational resources provided by Proto?

The overall reaction to the educational resources provided by S.A. Proto was positive. Respondents did indicate that most of the resources are not very relevant anymore after the second year. One respondent found the distribution of the sketching sets by S.A. Proto fantastic. Respondents mostly found the study nights useful.

7.2.7. What is your opinion on the educational emails from Proto?

The reaction on these emails was mixed. Some respondents indicated that they had not received them or were not subscribed to their educational mails. The ones who did receive it indicated that they found them decent. One respondent said that they might not be read by a lot of people since Proto is often not necessarily presented as an educational association.

7.2.8. What information would you like to see in the educational emails from Proto?

Respondents would like to get updates on the program and regarding upcoming educational activities. They would also like to see some information on classes in their current and upcoming semester as well as interesting projects set up in their study program. They would also like to see more on who to contact in case of questions. One respondent also said that they were interested in the accreditation of Creative Technology.

7.3. General questions about S.A. Proto

7.3.1. What would you like to see from a study association in times of COVID-19?

Respondents said that they would like to see more online activities with a physical aspect so that it was not simply interacting with your computer as would be the case for game nights et cetera. An example that was given was the EL-wire sign activity. Respondents indicated that they were mostly looking for ways to connect with their peers and new things that they had never done before or could not do by themselves.

7.3.2. Proto is a well-organised association
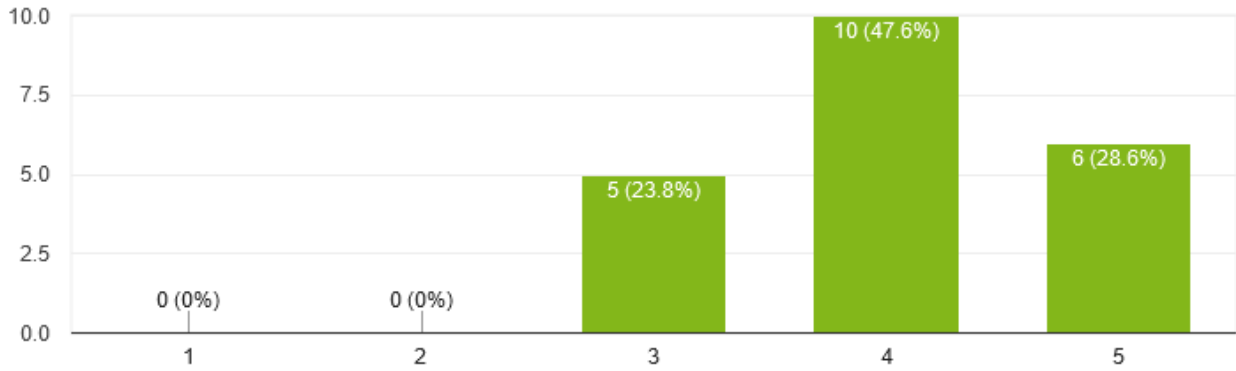
7.3.3. Proto acts with my needs in mind
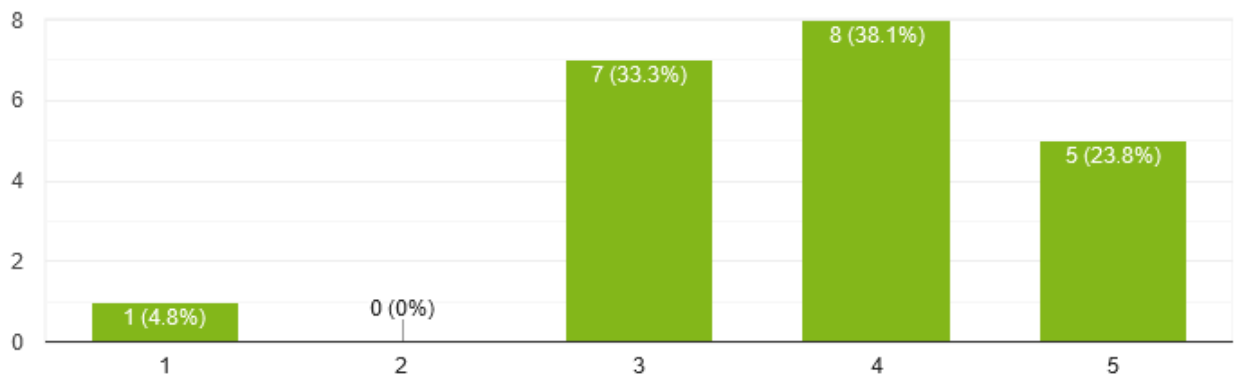
7.3.4. The overall ambiance within Proto is good
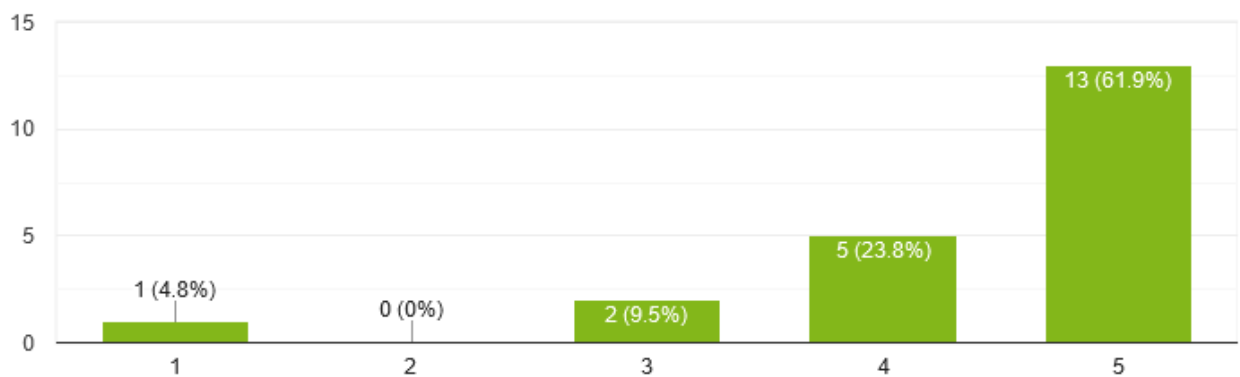
7.3.5. I feel accepted within the association
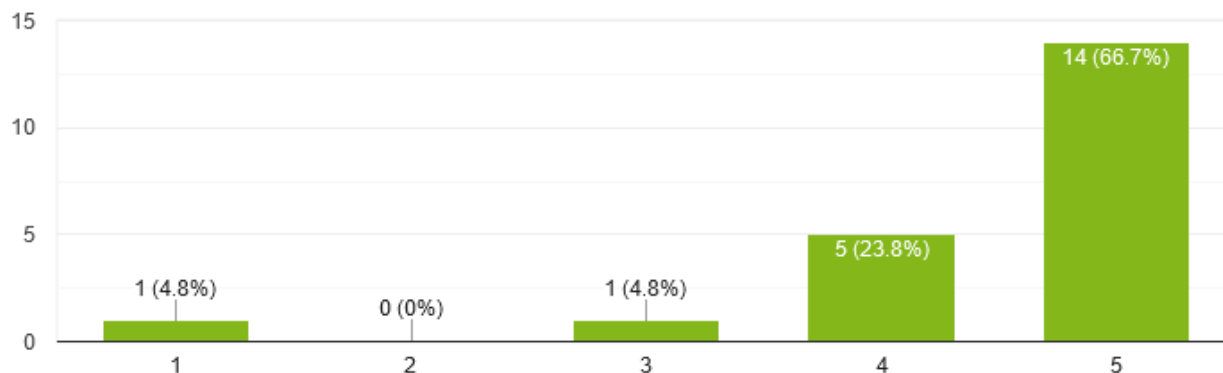
7.3.6. I feel like I can develop myself within Proto (i.e. through committee work, discussion topics, interesting activities)
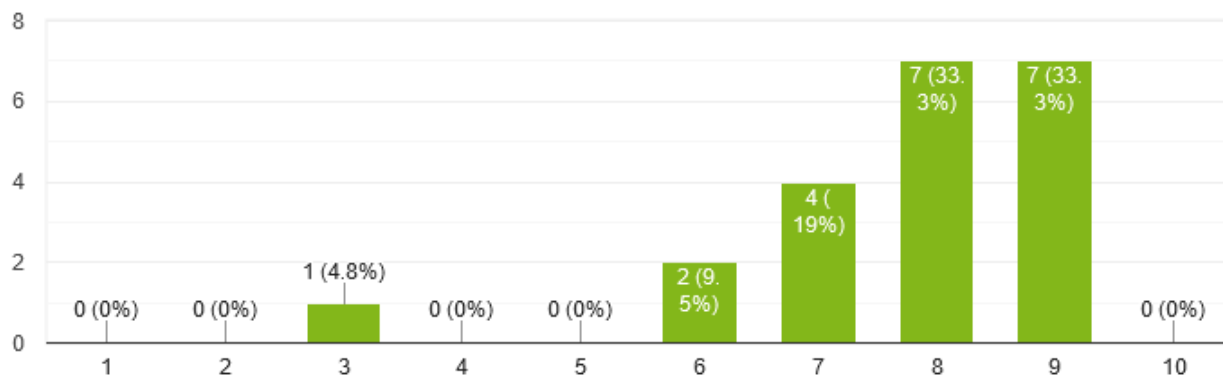
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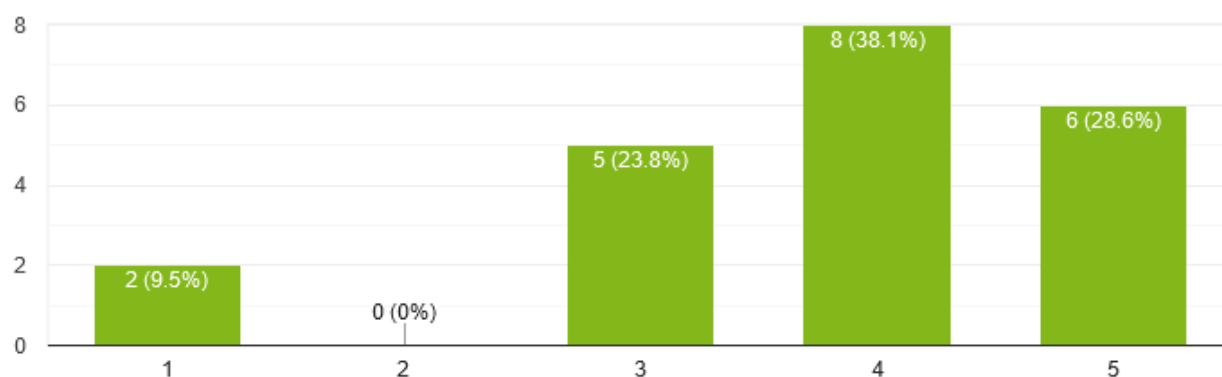
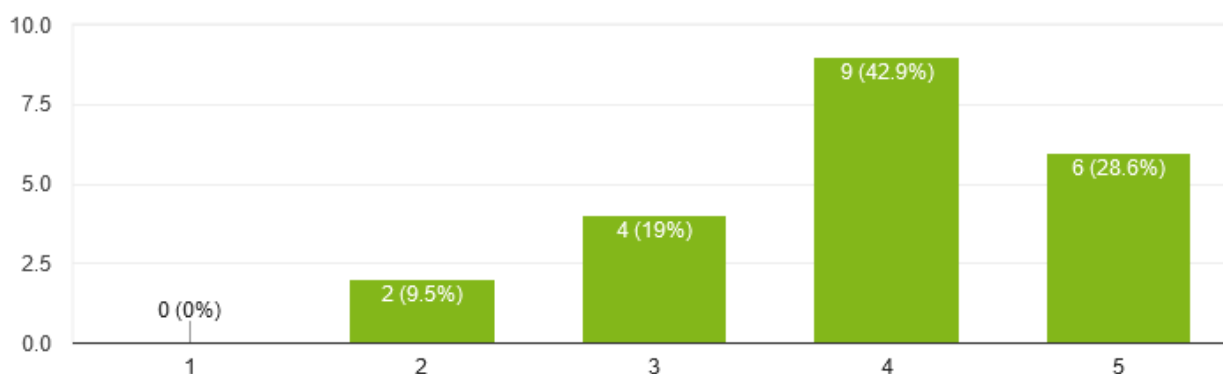### 7.3.7. I see enough of Proto (i.e. activity promotion, service promotion, involvement in your study)
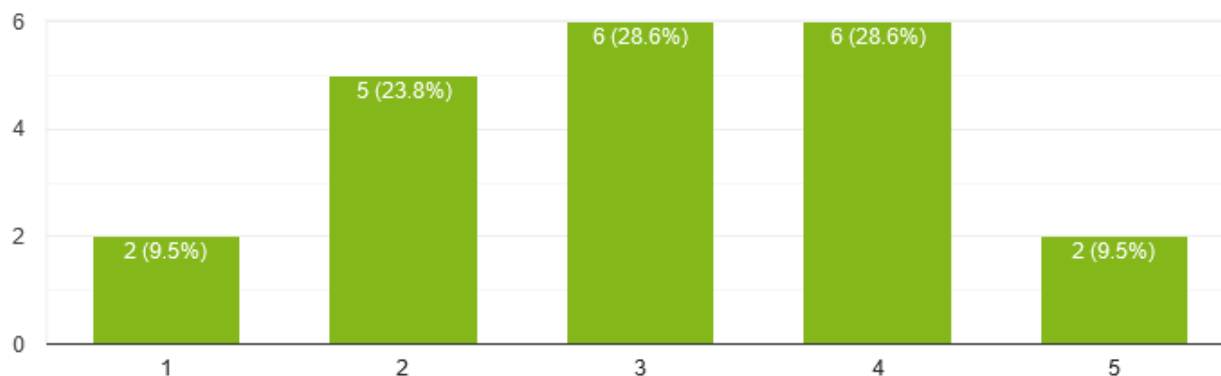
7.3.8. What grade would you give Proto as an assocation?

7.4. Questions about the board of S.A. Proto

7.4.1. So far, I feel like the board is functioning well

7.4.2. I think this because...

Overall, respondents seem to feel that the board is functioning quite well. However, multiple respondents indicated that the board performed some actions too late (promotion of activities, handling financial requests, handling according to new situations). Some also mention that they think more could be done with Proto's social media. Another respondent said that in their opinion, some board members could be more on top of their committees. It was also noted that especially in the beginning the board denied requests based on how time consuming they were whilst complaining about not having enough things to do. This respondent would like it if the board would cling to these opportunities more. Apart from that, respondents are satisfied with the functioning of the board.

7.4.3.   I feel like the board supports me
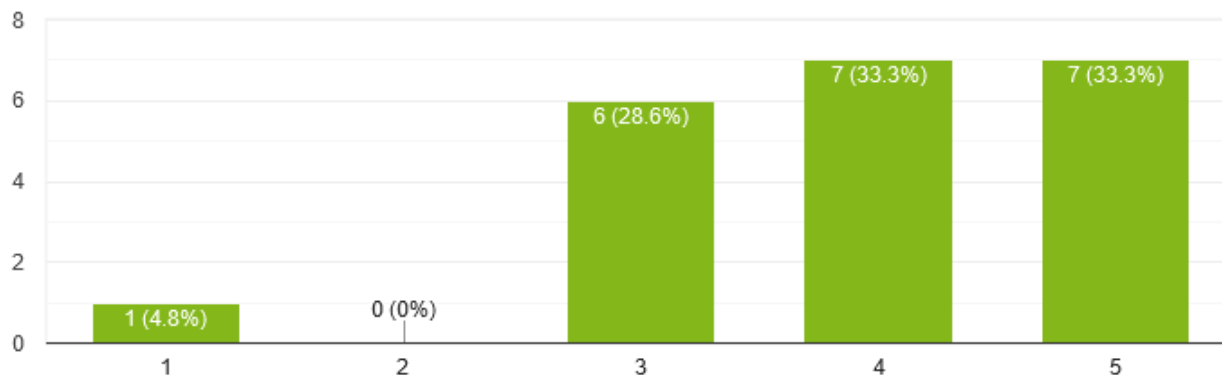
7.4.4.   I feel this because…

About half of the respondents mentioned that they did not necessarily feel supported by the board since they did not see much from them or had not really needed any support. The other half said that whenever they need the board, they are there but some would like to see more from 'behind the screens'.

7.4.5.   I can approach the board with questions or problems
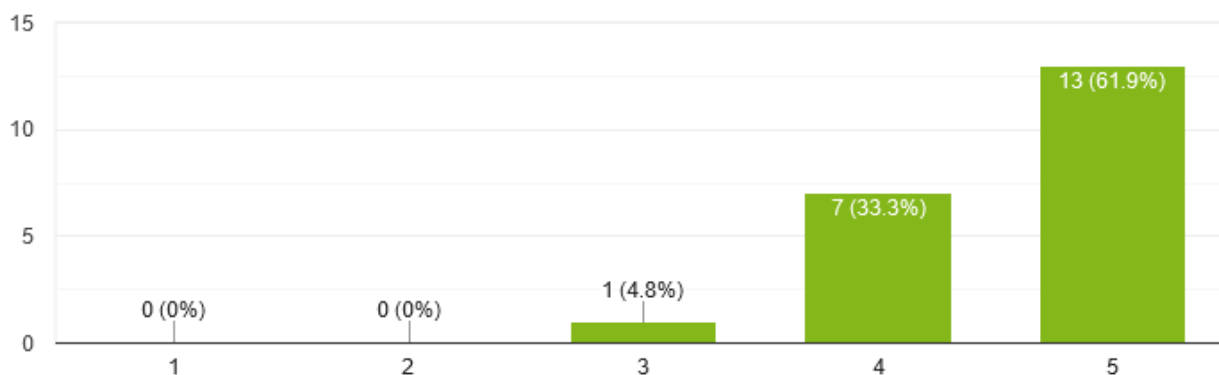
7.4.6.   I feel this because…

Respondents overall feel like they can approach the board with their questions or problems. The board is seen as open people who are easy to talk to and act personal.

7.4.7. The board is open for questions and feedback
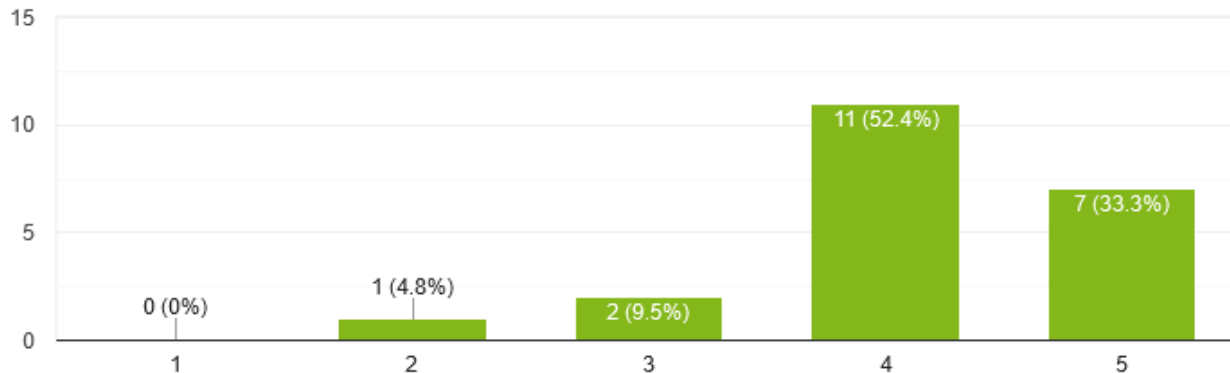
7.4.8. I feel this because…

The respondents' opinions on the board's openness for feedback are quite mixed. Some respondents indicate that their feedback is taken to heart whilst others comment that the board is not always accepting or does not take the feedback seriously. Some respondents also note that they have not seen a lot of opportunities to give feedback and would like more moments to provide feedback to the board.

7.4.9. It is clear who the board members are and what they can do for me
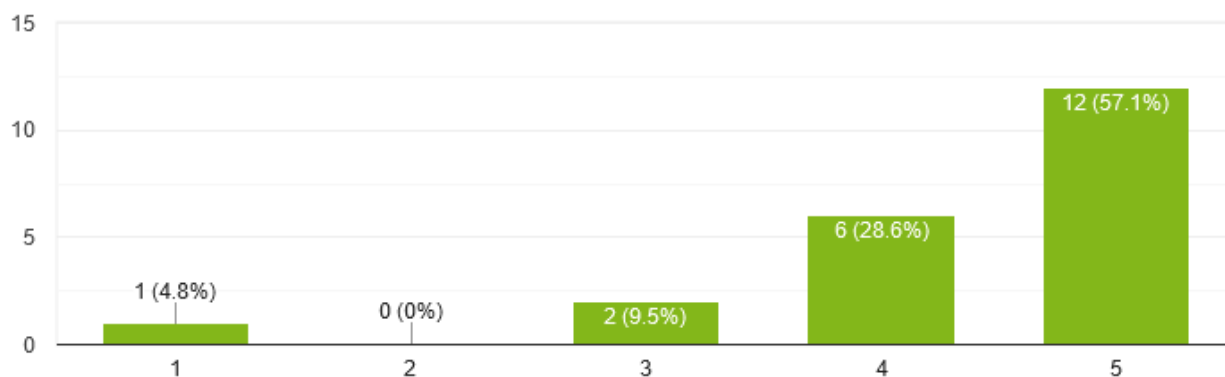
7.4.10. Which function belongs to which board member?

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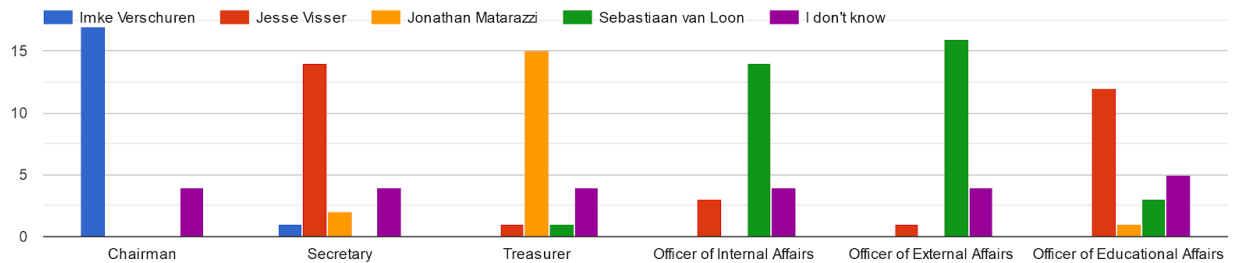
7.4.11. The board acts superior to the members
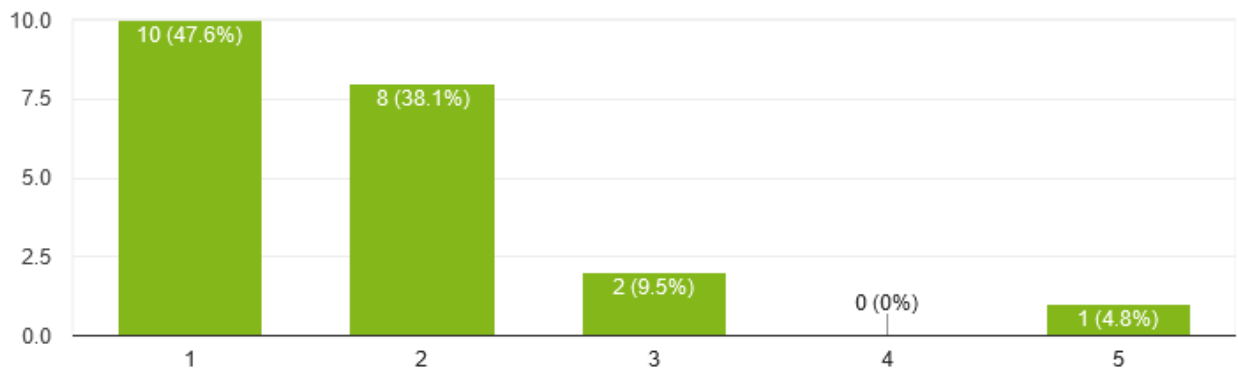
7.4.12. I feel this because…

Respondents say that they feel like the board is not very able to act superior, even if they wanted to.

885 7.4.13. The board is easy to communicate with
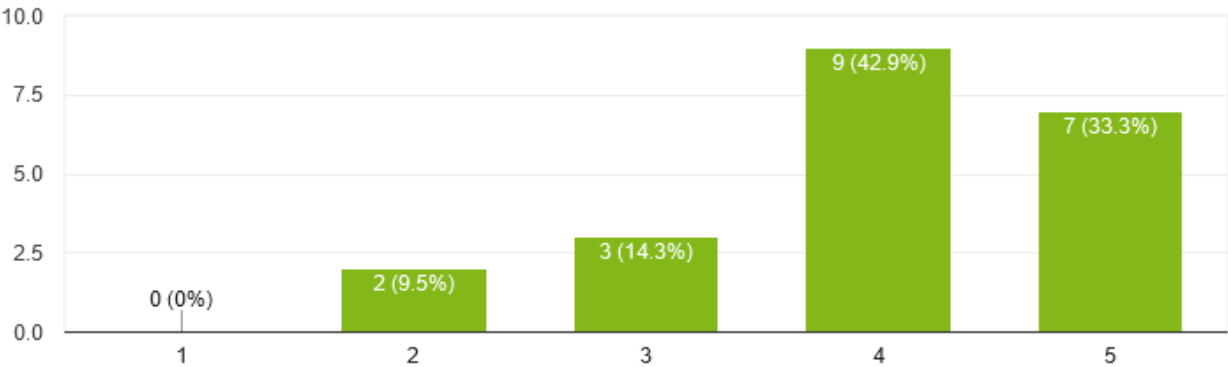
7.4.14. I feel this because…

Respondents found it hard to communicate with part of the board since some board members were not as easily accessible which made it hard to arrange certain things. Other respondents did not experience the same issues. Some respondents also liked the fact that the board
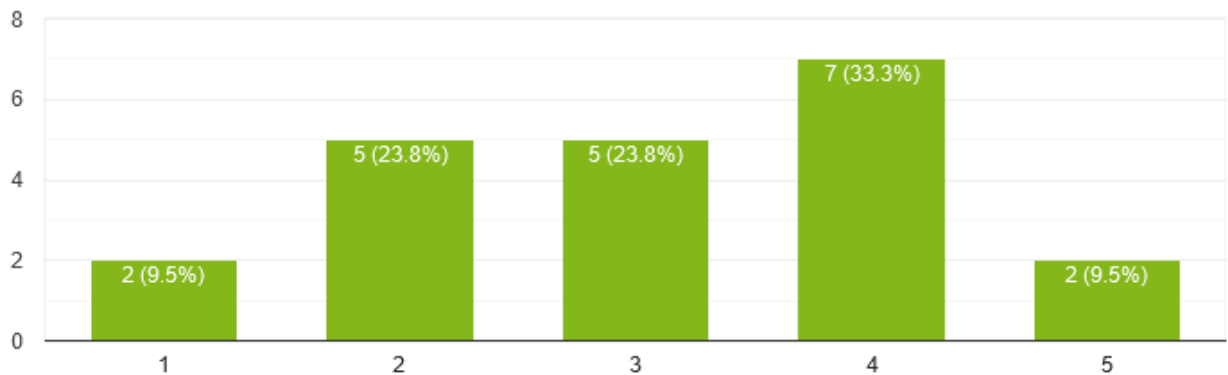890 reached out to them, for example with the coffee dates at the end of the Kick-In.

7.4.15. Proto is being well-represented towards external parties (companies, other associations)
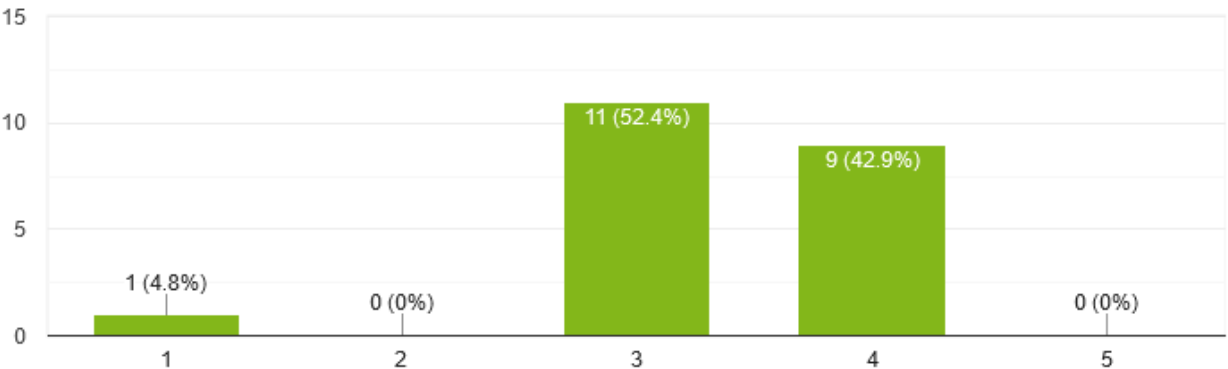
7.4.16. I feel this because…

The respondents have not really seen how the board represented the association to external
895 parties.

7.4.17. The board is involved with my wellbeing



7.4.18. I feel this because…

Most respondents feel like the board is not extremely involved in their wellbeing, but most explain that they do not want the board to be. Respondents do indicate that they would like to see more general activities regarding mental health.

7.4.19. What do you think the board has been doing so far?

Respondents think that the board has been
- Fulfilling their functions
- Having meetings
- Making the study run smoothly
- Organise activities
- Dealing with COVID-19
- Finding successors
- Stimulating people to become active

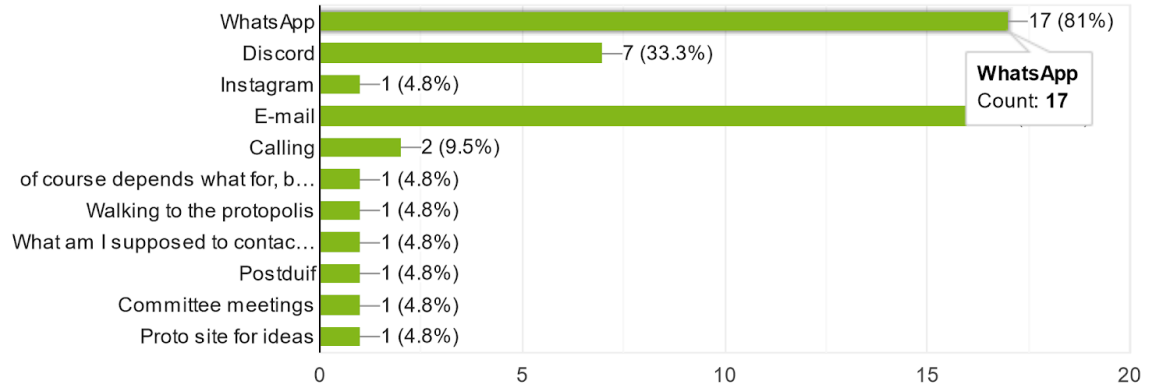### 7.4.20. What grade would you give the board?
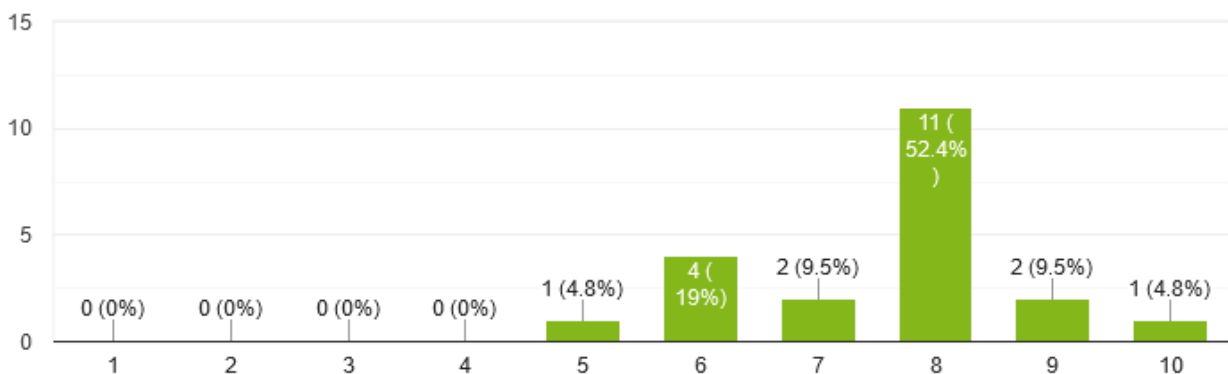
7.5. Questions about communication with S.A. Proto

7.5.1. Via where would you contact S.A. Proto?
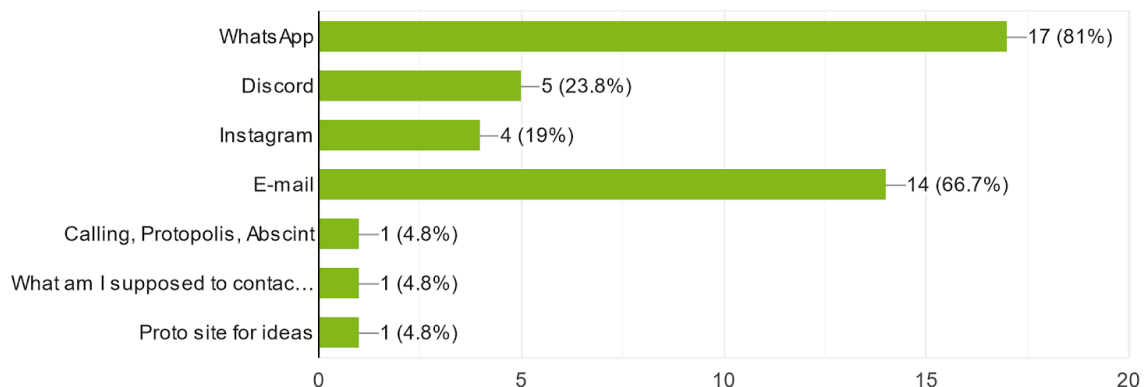
Via where would you contact S.A. Proto?
21 responses

Platform	Count
WhatsApp	17 (81%)
Discord	7 (33.3%)
Instagram	1 (4.8%)
E-mail	(no label)
Calling	2 (9.5%)
of course depends what for, b…	1 (4.8%)
Walking to the protopolis	1 (4.8%)
What am I supposed to contac…	1 (4.8%)
Postduif	1 (4.8%)
Committee meetings	1 (4.8%)
Proto site for ideas	1 (4.8%)

WhatsApp
Count: **17**

7.5.2. Which platforms do you prefer for communication from S.A. Proto?

**Which platforms do you prefer for communication from S.A. Proto?**
21 responses

Platform	Count
WhatsApp	17 (81%)
Discord	5 (23.8%)
Instagram	4 (19%)
E-mail	14 (66.7%)
Calling, Protopolis, Abscint	1 (4.8%)
What am I supposed to contac…	1 (4.8%)
Proto site for ideas	1 (4.8%)

7.5.3. Do you feel like the Discord server allows you to get in contact with other Proto members?

Do you feel like the Discord server allows you to get in contact with other Proto members?
21 responses

Yes
No
I don't know
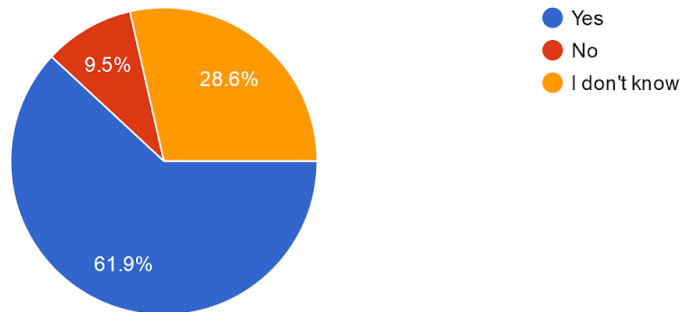
7.6. Questions about the annual goals of the board

7.6.1. What did you think of the COVID-measures the board enforced?

The respondents found the measures enforced by the board good, fair and logical but also quite sad.

7.6.2. Do you have any ideas on how we can help Proto thrive in times of COVID?

Respondents note that the most important things are non-standard activities and stuff they can do with their hands besides controlling their computer as well as making more use of social media channels. One respondent also said that they would like more space for initiatives by
members themselves.

7.7.   Questions about the Protopolis

7.7.1.   Have you been to the Protopolis this academic year?

Have you been to the Protopolis this academic year?
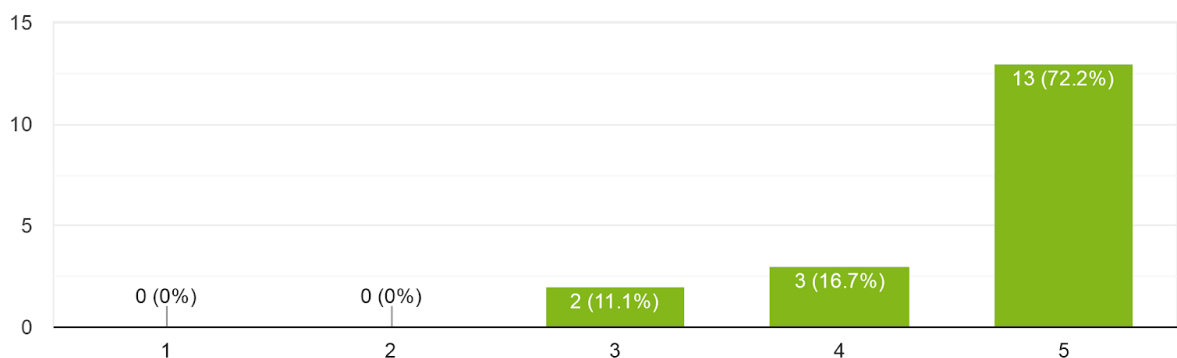21 responses

● Yes
● No

14.3%

85.7%
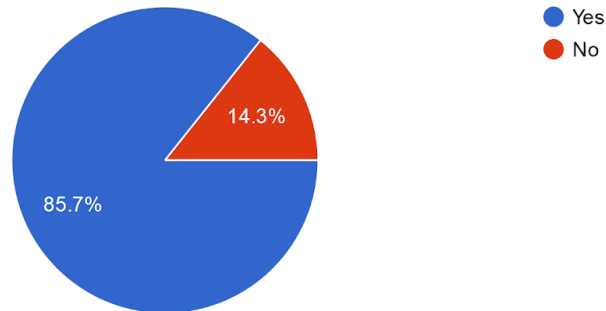
7.7.2.   Why have/haven't you been to the Protopolis?

Most respondents came to the Protopolis either because they found it nice to visit, because it
930   was a force of habit or to explore the association room for the first time. Some respondents also
visited for an activity.

7.7.3.   I feel like I am welcome in the Protopolis

I feel like I am welcome in the Protopolis
18 responses

7.7.4.   Protopolis is generally clean

Protopolis is generally clean
18 responses
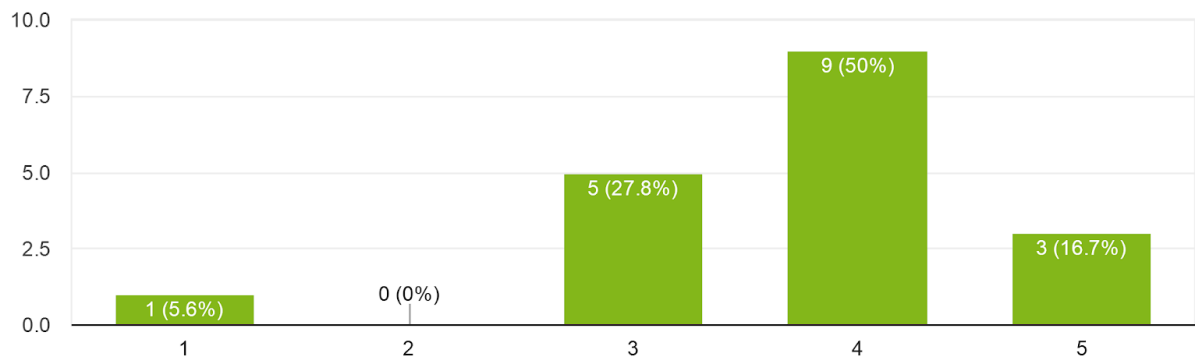
### 7.7.5.   What kind(s) of food would you like to see less/more of once the Protopolis is open?

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Respondents would like to see more healthy sustainable foods and drinks, but also some more fatty snacks. One respondent noted they would like to see Corona beer.

7.8.   Questions about the committees of S.A. Proto

7.8.1.   Are you a member of a committee within S.A. Proto?

Are you a member of a committee within S.A. Proto?
21 responses
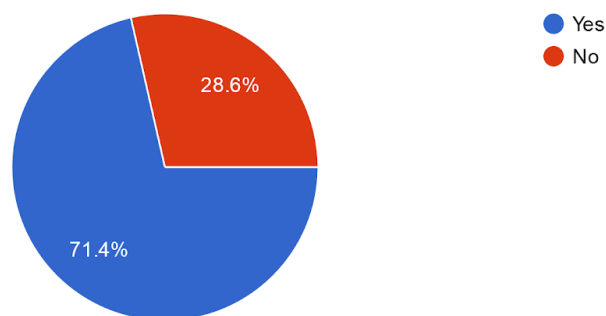
7.8.2.   Why are/aren't you a member of a committee within S.A. Proto?

The respondents who are members of committees indicated that they are part of these committees to grow their social network and work experience. They also say that they like to stay in touch with the association. The respondents who said they were not part of a committee were either active at another association or did not feel compelled to become active. No further
deliberation was given on this last statement.

7.8.3.   Is your committee active this academic year? (Only fill this in if you answered 'Yes' on the first question of this section)

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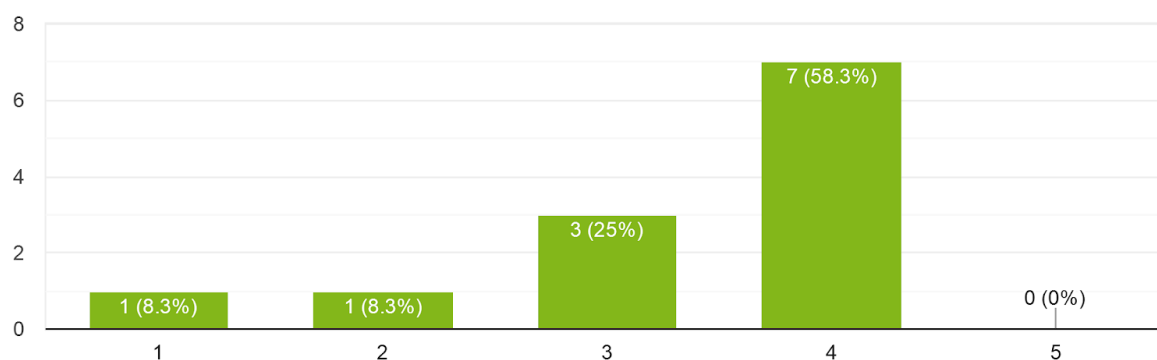
15 responses
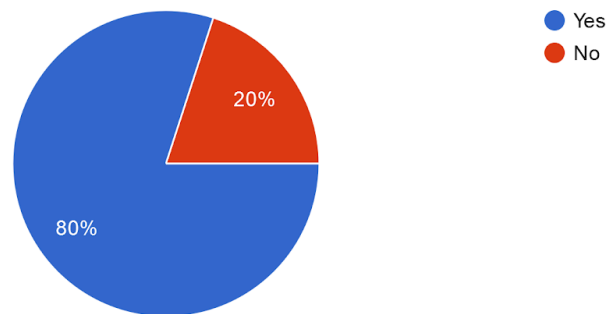
7.8.4. I enjoy being in a committee during this academic year

I enjoy being in a committee during this academic year

12 responses

7.8.5. I feel this way because...

950 The respondents' reactions are mixed since some feel that it connects them to people they would not meet during their normal study time. They all note that meetings are not as fun online and that motivation levels are sometimes low within committees. Some respondents are also quite sad that they have to keep cancelling their activities.

7.8.6.   I feel appreciated as an active member

I feel appreciated as an active member

12 responses
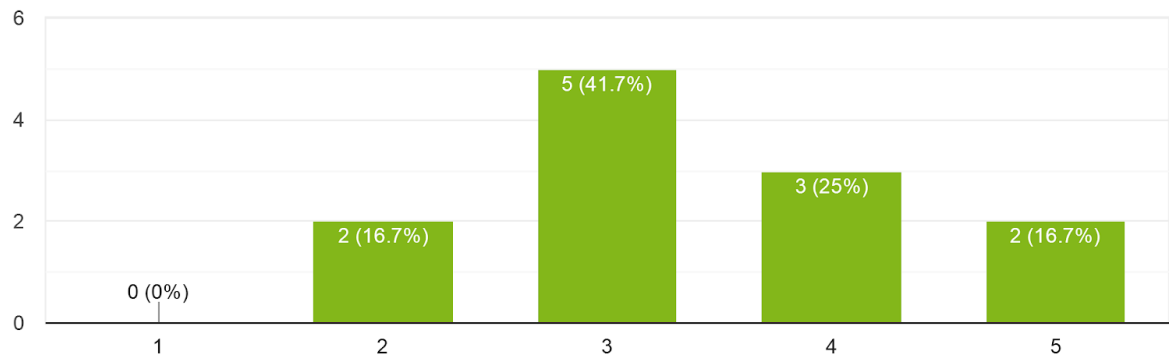
955 7.8.7.   I feel this way because…

Respondents don't necessarily feel appreciated since they have not seen any specific appreciation-related things happening. One respondent said that they don't really feel like an active member because the Proto hardcore feels very hard to enter and another said that they don't feel like they get the minimum level of appreciation.

960 ### 7.8.8. The committees I am in are well-organized

The committees I am in are well-organized

12 responses
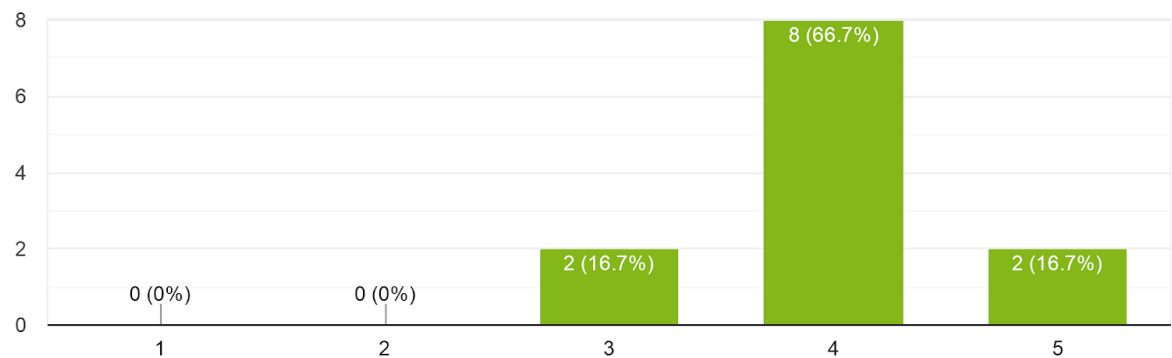
7.8.9. I feel this way because…

Respondents feel like most of the committees are well-organised since the structure is well-organised. They do feel that COVID-19 makes things a little bit less structured and one respondent notes that the EducaCie could be functioning more smoothly.
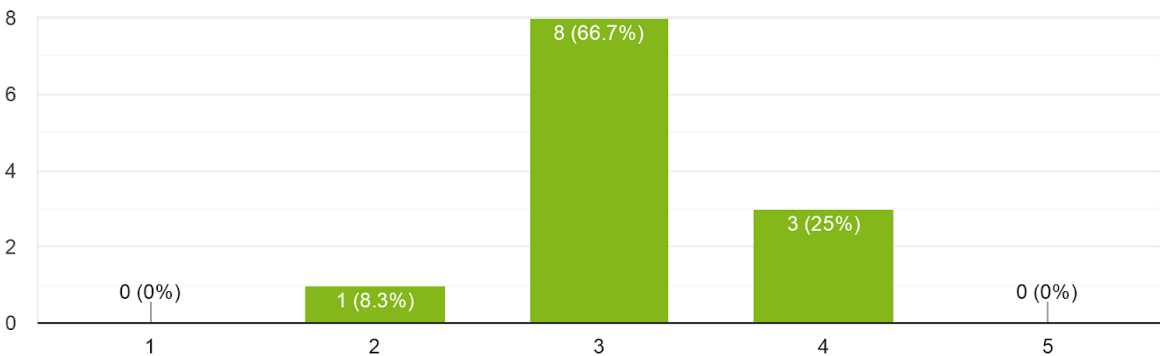
7.8.10.   I know where to go when there are problems within a committee

I know where to go when there are problems within a committee
12 responses
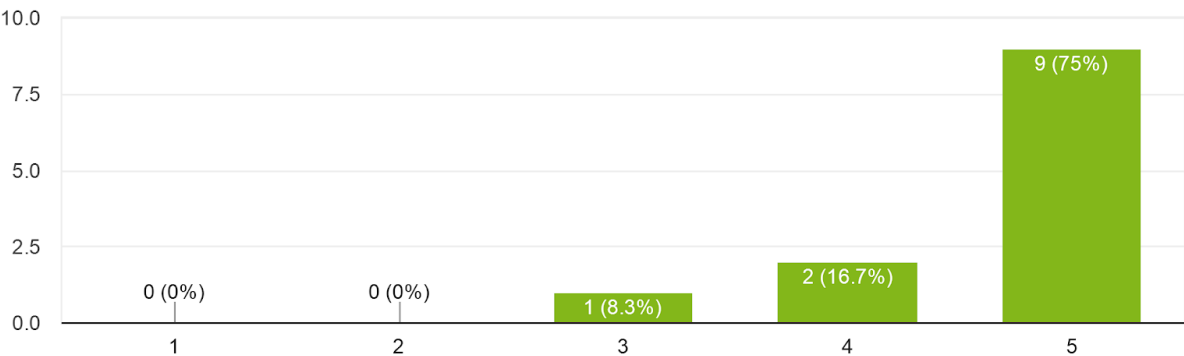
7.8.11.   I think enough was done to find new members for my committees

I think enough was done to find new members for my committees
12 responses

7.8.12.   I think this because…

Overall members think that enough effort was made to find members for new committees, if this did not pay off it was not necessarily a problem to them. Some respondents do note that more could have been done since they did not see a lot of promotion of committees besides the committee market in September.

7.8.13.   My board responsible helps keep my committees motivated

My board responsible helps keep my committees motivated

12 responses
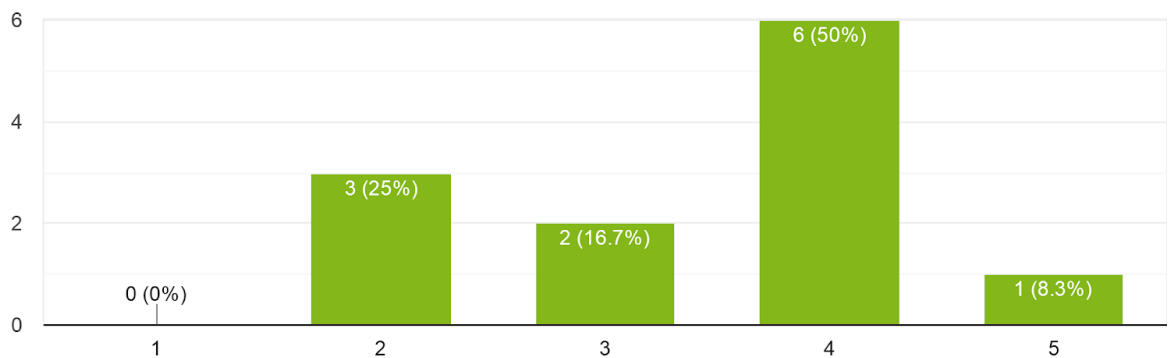
7.8.14.   I feel this way because…

Respondents that replied to this question feel like because the board members aren't always motivated, they can't properly motivate their committees. One respondent feels like their board responsibles don't act to their title or understand the essence of being a board responsible. They mention that the board responsible should act as a mediator instead of a regular committee member.

7.9.   Activities organised by S.A. Proto

7.9.1.   Have you attended an activity of S.A. Proto this academic year?

Have you attended an activity of S.A. Proto this academic year?
21 responses


- Yes
- No

14.3%

85.7%
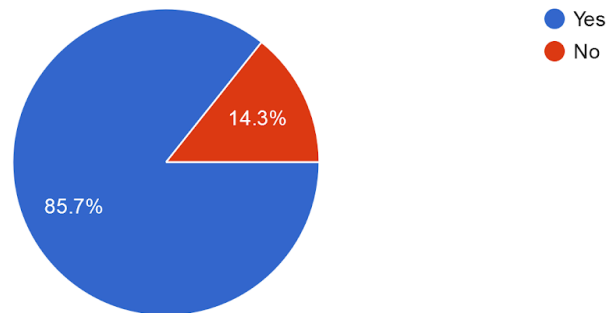
7.9.2.   Why did/didn't you attend an activity organised by S.A. Proto?

Respondents who attended activities did so to see their friends/make new ones, because they organised it or because they liked the activity that was being organised. The ones who did not join any activities did not do so because none of the organised activities appealed to them.

7.9.3.   How many activities have you attended since the start of this academic year?

How many activities have you attended since the start of this academic year?
18 responses

- Less than 5
- 5-10
- 10-15
- More than 15

27.8%

11.1%

55.6%
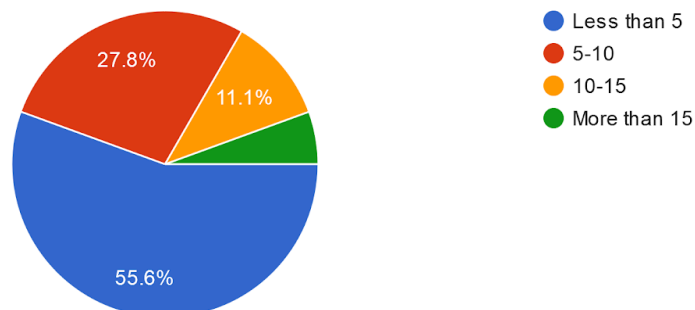
7.9.4.   I heard about the activity/activities through

I heard about the activity/activities through
18 responses
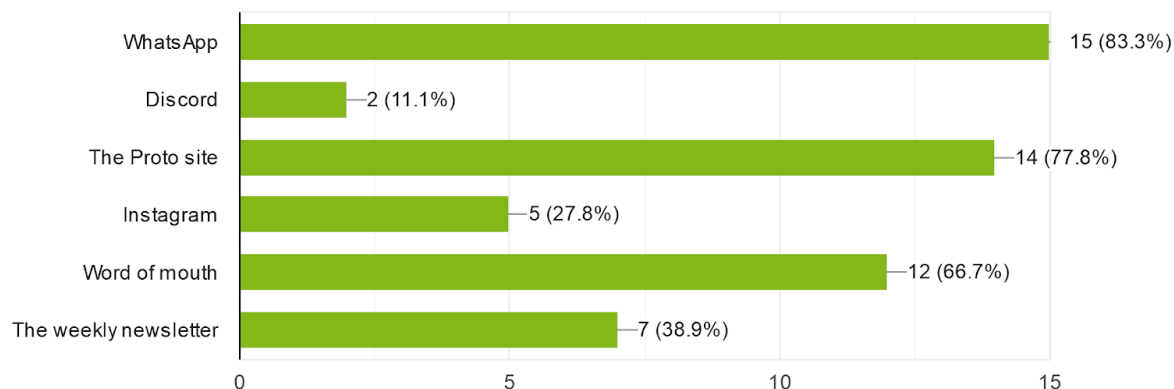
7.9.5.   Which was the most effective way of promoting activities?

Which was the most effective way of promoting activities?
18 responses
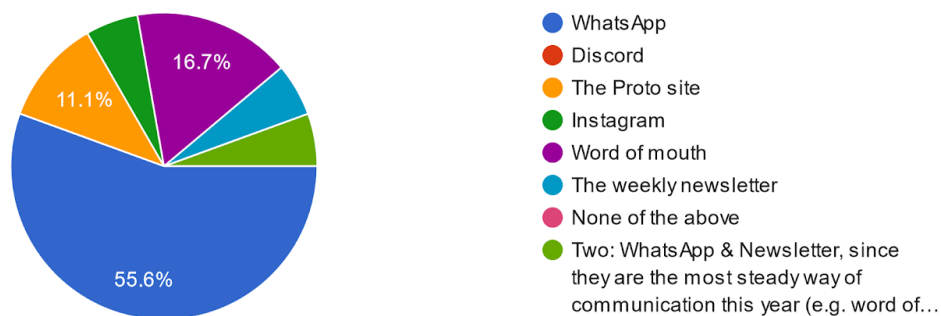
7.9.6.   I enjoyed the activities I participated in

I enjoyed the activities I participated in
18 responses
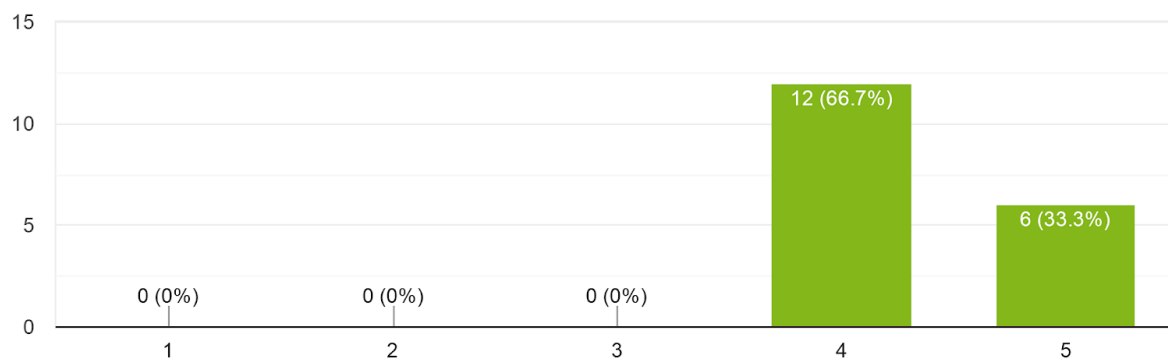
7.9.7.   The activities I participated in were chaotic

The activities I participated in were chaotic
18 responses

7.9.8.   What is your preferred platform for activities?

What is your preferred platform for activities?

18 responses

- Discord
- Zoom
- Teams
- Google Hangouts/Meets
- Skype

88.9%

7.9.9.   Do you have any additional comments about activities?

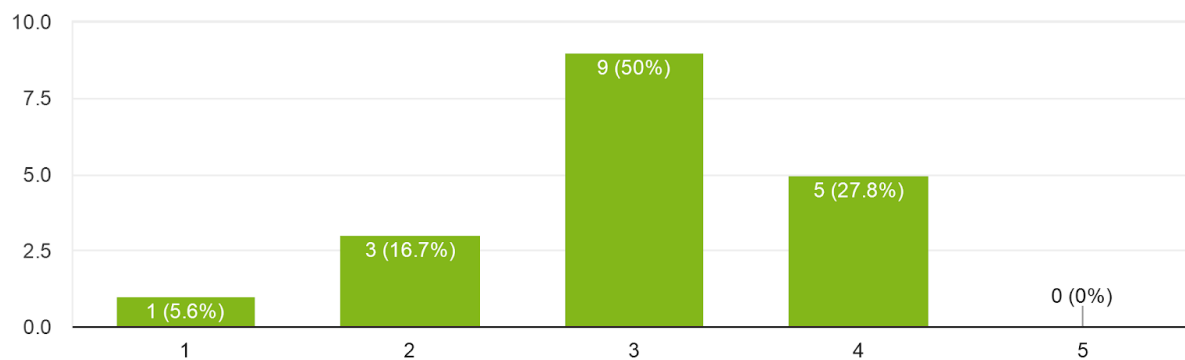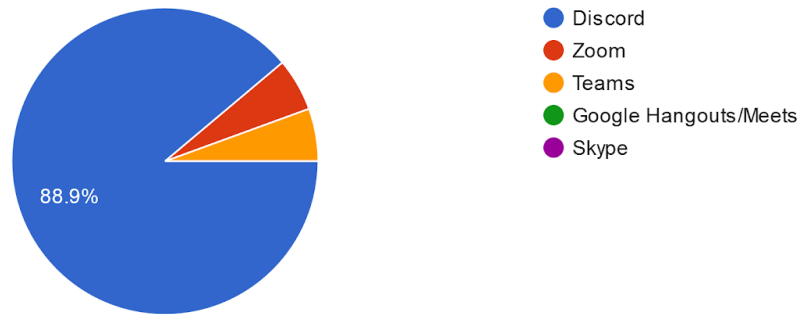Most respondents really emphasise that they want activities that put focus on physical additions as opposed to fully focussing on interactions with their computer. A consistency in platforms for events would also be appreciated and one respondent mentioned that they don't like using Zoom.

7.9.10.   I have seen promotion for activities by S.A. Proto.

I have seen promotion for activities by S.A. Proto.
21 responses

- Yes
- No

95.2%
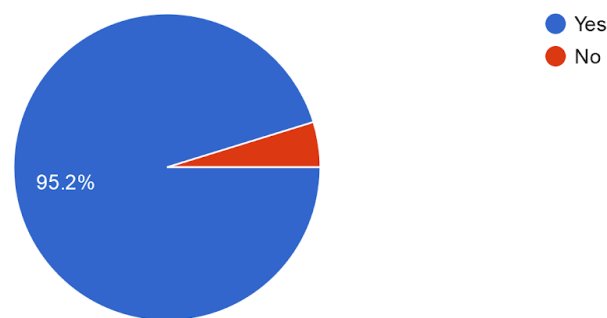
7.9.11.   Where did you see promotion for activities by S.A. Proto?

Where did you see promotion for activities by S.A. Proto?
21 responses

WhatsApp	18 (85.7%)
Discord	1 (4.8%)
The Proto site	15 (71.4%)
Instagram	9 (42.9%)
Word of mouth	10 (47.6%)
The weekly newsletter	14 (66.7%)
None of the above	1 (4.8%)
.	1 (4.8%)
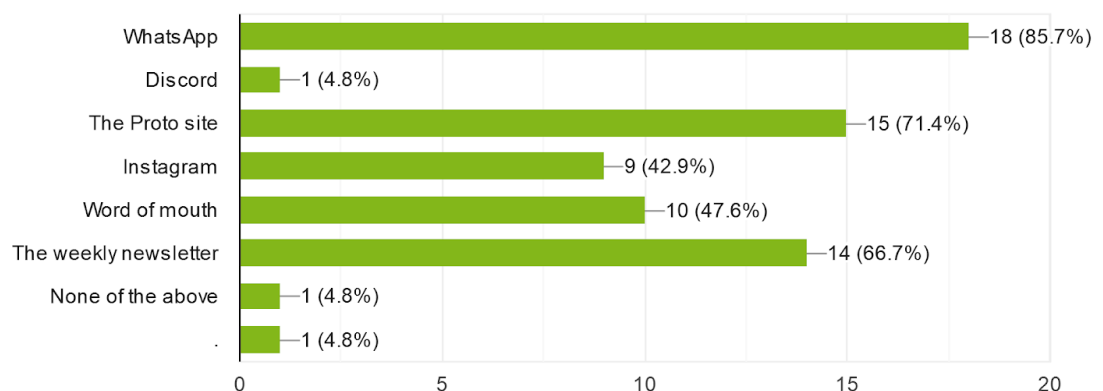
7.9.12. What did you think of the content in this promotion?

1000 Most respondents found the contents of the promotion nice and clear. Multiple respondents did note that more structure and clarity could be applied in certain promotions and that more promotion should have been done for a lot of activities since they feel that more hype is needed in this time.

7.9.13. Proto organises enough activities

Proto organises enough activities

21 responses
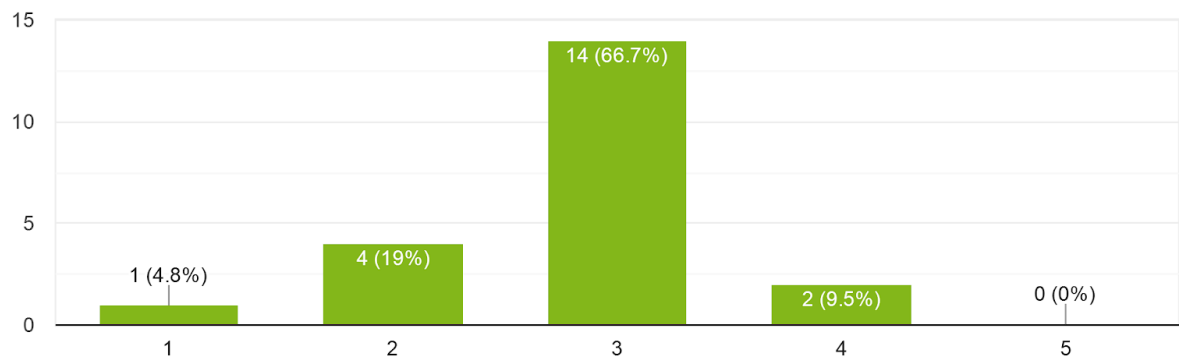
7.9.14.   The variety of activities is good

The variety of activities is good

21 responses

7.9.15.   I would like to see more of these activities

I would like to see more of these activities:

21 responses

Category	Value
Career	2 (9.5%)
Cultural	3 (14.3%)
Creative	11 (52.4%)
Educational	2 (9.5%)
Laidback activities	5 (23.8%)
Sports activities	5 (23.8%)
I've mentioned this before :)	1 (4.8%)
	1 (4.8%)
But not possible, RIP sportcie	1 (4.8%)
	1 (4.8%)
Why is this an obligatory question, non...	1 (4.8%)
	1 (4.8%)
idk	1 (4.8%)
Beer	1 (4.8%)
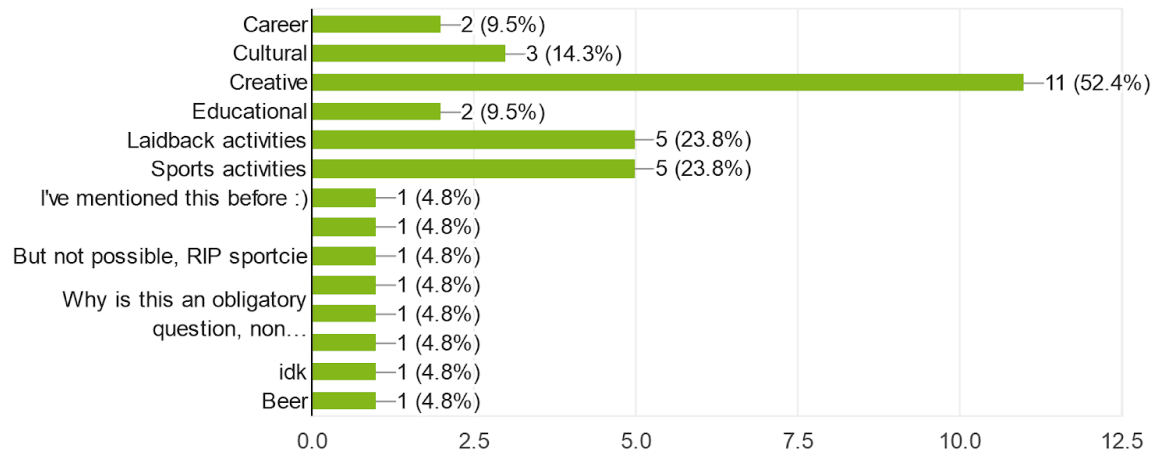
7.9.16.   There are too many of these activities:
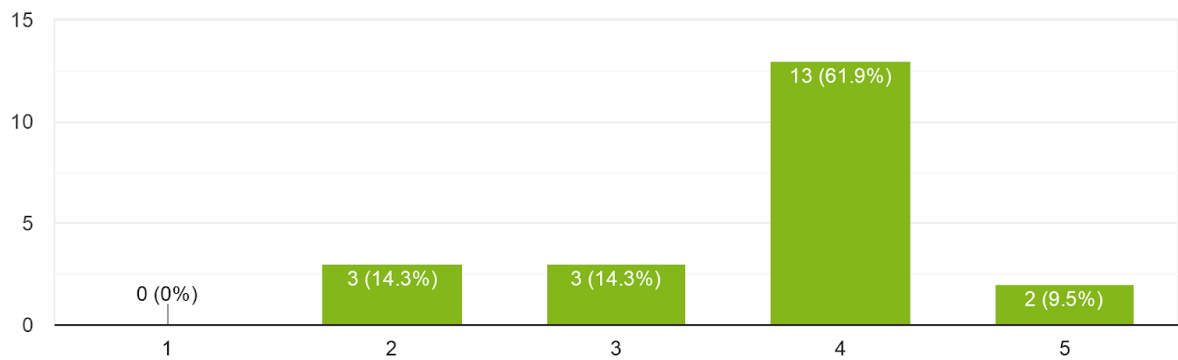
There are too many of these activities:

21 responses

Category	Value
Career	1 (4.8%)
Cultural	1 (4.8%)
Creative	0 (0%)
Educational	0 (0%)
Laidback activities	2 (9.5%)
Sports activities	1 (4.8%)
-	2 (9.5%)
None	2 (9.5%)
gaming	1 (4.8%)
there are no activities.	1 (4.8%)
Geen boeie ruurd	1 (4.8%)
.	1 (4.8%)
idk	1 (4.8%)
No	1 (4.8%)
n	1 (4.8%)
discord	1 (4.8%)
	1 (4.8%)
digital :(	1 (4.8%)
none	1 (4.8%)
not really	1 (4.8%)
Why is this a required field?	1 (4.8%)
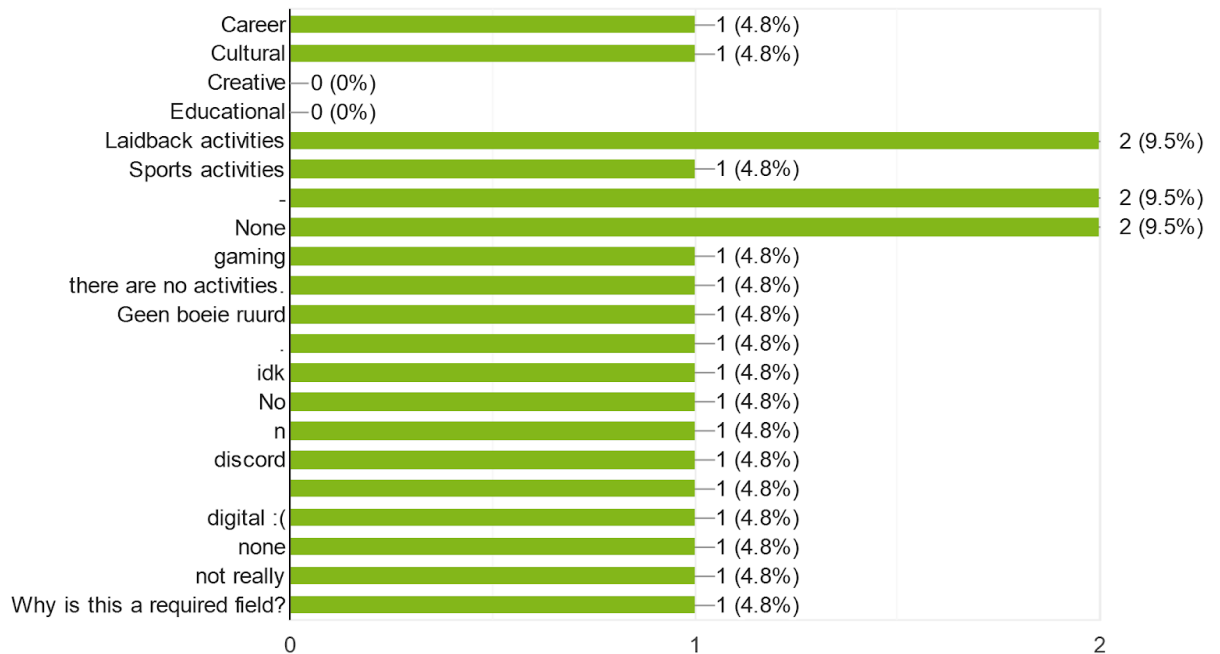
7.10.   Remaining comments

Overall, respondents left kind remaining comments to support the board. The board greatly
1010 appreciates this♡

8.   Appendix B - Activities September - January

Start time	Name of the activity	Organising committee(s)	sign-ups
09/02/2020 17:00	Wednesday Afternoon Drink	Association Board + TIPCie	-
16/09/2020 19:30	Sushi Workshop	Association Board	25
23/09/2020 12:45	Online lunch lecture: Java concurrency basics	Acquisition Committee	12
23/09/2020 17:00	Wednesday Afternoon Drink	Association Board + TIPCie	-
24/09/2020 19:00	Minecraft Hunger Games	pLAN	11
25/09/2020 09:00	Build your own interactive 25x25 LED panel[1]	DIYCie 1.0	45
28/09/2020 20:00	Board Game Night	pLAN	27
29/09/2020 18:00	Capture the Flag	ACE	15
01/10/2020 19:00	Procam online pubquiz	Acquisition Committee	9
02/10/2020 12:45	Online Committee Market	Association Board	50
12/10/2020 12:45	Online Lunch lecture Cosun Beet company	Acquisition Committee	-
12/10/2020 19:30	Create Y1: Studynight WebTech	EducaCie	12
15/10/2020 19:30	CreaTe Y2 Smart Tech: Study Night General	EducaCie	9
16/10/2020 14:00	Bachelor Graduation Ceremony	Faculty Staff	-
21/10/2020 19:30	CreaTe Y1: Study night Programming	EducaCie	25
27/10/2020 10:00	Magnet.me Digital Career Event	Acquisition Committee	-
28/10/2020 14:00	Open Board Meeting October	Association Board	-
29/10/2020 19:30	Create Y2 Interactive Media: Studynight & Playtesting	EducaCie	11
30/10/2020 10:00	CreaTe Y1 Module 2: Buy Your Sketching Sets!	Association Board	-
01/11/2020 12:45	GMM 39: Budget Plan Board 10.0	Association Board	9
05/11/2020 19:30	Among Us!	pLAN	24
11/11/2020 12:45	Lustrum HYPE presentation	Lustrum Committee	-
12/11/2020 12:00	Coffeetime	Association Board	-
17/11/2020 12:50	Online lunch lecture by Athom	Acquisition Committee	-

19/11/2020 12:00	Coffeetime and brainstorm	Association Board	-
19/11/2020 20:00	E(EMCS)-Sports tournament	EEMCS activity committee	21
23/11/2020 19:30	Among Us 2: Electric Boogaloo!	pLAN	12
26/11/2020 20:00	FYC Game Show	FYC	2
26/11/2020 12:00	Online chill session	Association Board	-
27/11/2020 12:45	Alumni Day	Alumni	1
30/11/2020 00:00	Student house games Enschede	Association Board	-
01/12/2020 20:00	Build your surprise gift together	Culture Committee	5
02/12/2020 12:00	Discord chillings	Association Board	-
04/12/2020 10:00	Placing your little shoe	Association Board	-
09/12/2020 9:00	Make Your Own Glow-Sign	Handyman Committee	25
09/12/2020 12:00	Discord chillings	Association Board	-
09/12/2020 14:00	Open Board Meeting	Association Board	-
10/12/2020 20:00	Beer Yoga	SportCie	13
14/12/2020 20:00	Gamble Night	Lustrum Committee	14
18/12/2020 00:00	Face mask design contest	Association Board	-
18/12/2020 20:00	CreaTe Winter Game Jam	CreaTe Staff	-
29/12/2020 19:30	Secret Santa	Association Board	8
05/01/2021 20:00	Sign Language Workshop	Association Board	41
11/01/2021 19:30	CreaTe Y2: Studynight Statistics	EducaCie	17
13/01/2021 12:00	Discord chillings	Association Board	-
14/01/2021 20:00	EEMCS Logo Reveal Stream	Association Board	7
18/01/2021 19:30	CreaTe Y2: Studynight P4AI	EducaCie	22
19/01/2021 12:30	Minor Market	EducaCie	13
20/01/2021 12:00	Discord chillings	Association Board	-
20/01/2021 19:30	CreaTe Y1: Study night P&PC	EducaCie	7
27/01/2021 12:00	Discord Chillon	Association Board	-
28/01/2021 19:30	Tai Chi with Erik	Association Board	11

[1]: Moved
[2]: Cancelled