

Minutes GMA Organisation of Study Associations

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Location: Online



Present Lieke Pullen (OSb 2021-I)
 Patrick van Oerle (OSb 2021-I)
 Lars Essenstam (OSb 2021-I)
 Imke Nijenbanning (OSb 2021-I)
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 Ruben den Hertog (OSB 2021-I)
 Jeanine ter Horst (Activism Grant Committee)
 Yorick Moleman (Supervisory Board Student Union)
 Dirk Koelewijn (De Ambitieuze Student)
 Kevin Witlox (UReka)
 Gerard Groot Obbink (C.T.S.G. Alembic)
 Meltem Lampe (S.V. Arago)
 Jan den Uijl (S.A. Astatine)
 Alexander de Ranitz (S.A. Atlantis)
 Koen Rispens (S.A. Communiqué)
 Nick van Nijen (ConceptT)
 Twan van der Ham (S.G. Daedalus)
 Christine Mulrane (S.V. Dimensie)
 Kristy Claassen (W.T.S. Ideefiks)
 Jelle Maas (I.C.T.S.V. Inter-Actief)
 Ryan Wakamiya (Komma)
 Koen Geurtsen (W.S.G. Isaac Newton)
 Thomas van Poppel (H.V. Ockham)
 Nikki Zandbergen (S.V. Onwijs)
 Lisette Masselink (S.V. Paradoks)
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 Sarah Jansen (CCB S.A. Proto)
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Secretary Patrick van Oerle (OSb 2021-I)



1 Opening

Lieke Pullen (OSb 2021-I) opens this General Members Assembly.

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2 Setting the agenda

The agenda is adopted without changes.

5 3 Notifications

3.1 OS Board

Lieke (OSb): Any grammar remarks on the pieces can be sent to secretary@os.utwente.nl. We have also received a letter from the Audit Committee. Since it is mostly informing, we will not extensively discuss it. Any questions regarding the letter can be sent to kasco@os.utwente.nl.

10 After April's GMA, we will host the First DatOS. We have already sent a link to you via mail and WhatsApp, so if you are feeling lonely during this lockdown, Mr Love might be able to help you. You can also ask former board members to sign up, if they want.

3.2 Study Associations

Jelle (Inter-Actief): There will be another chairmen outing this evening.

15 Meltem (Arago): As you might know, Arago will turn 50 this year. To celebrate this, we will organise a congress on the 1st of May, which is also open for other board members. It will not only be about physics, so it is also interesting for other students.

3.3 University Council Parties

20 Kevin (UReka): This cycle is not too eventful, the only thing is that there is a small update on the EER about proctoring. You have probably seen the guidelines which have been sent to students by the University. In general, most faculties have already said they won't be using proctoring so we don't expect it will be used too much. It is just for the possibility to use it, so if there are any problems regarding proctoring, feel free to contact the University Council.

25 Dirk (DAS): This morning we talked about the COVID-situation and what could be done in preparation with the event with the Dutch Minister of Education next Monday. If you have any ideas or questions you want to ask him, send it to the me or Maartje.

4 Minutes

4.1 Minutes GMA 18-02-2021 (Document 20210302)

The minutes of the GMA of 18-02-2021 are approved.

Decision

30 5 To-do List

There are no ongoing action points.



6 Activism Grants Model (Document 20210303)

Imke (Proto): I just have one small question. How will the grants be divided over the categories? Will first be the MUST category filled, then BOARDS EXTRA, SHOULD, et cetera until there are no grants left? Or will it be like this year, where it is distributed more evenly among the categories? 35

Imke (OSb): The grants will be divided from top to bottom, so first the MUST category, then BOARDS EXTRA, then SHOULD and so on until we run out of grants. This is also in line with the rest of the umbrellas, and the FOBOS regulations by the Student Union.

Jelle (Inter-Actief): It states that the document will immediately go into play and in January we have to send in the requests for this year. Do we then have to resend the requests when this document is approved? 40

Imke (OSb): You will receive an email about this probably today or tomorrow, which contains information on how to apply for grants you haven't applied for in October or if you want to change certain requests. Since we wanted the document to be ready this year, and didn't want to rush it, we are a bit behind the normal schedule for this year. The other umbrellas and the Student Union are aware of this, so that is fine. 45

Jelle (Inter-Actief): At some point it states that full proof should be handed in for the business courses. This is just something the ABC has to check, but a programme booklet should suffice, right? 50

Imke (OSb): A programme booklet will probably be fine, but also something about the hours that have been put into organising the business course should be included. If this is clear from the programme booklet, then it's fine indeed.

Lieke (OSb): Then if there are no more questions, we will proceed to voting whether or not to approve this document. You can vote using the link which is sent in the chat. 55

Decision *The OS FOBOS Model is approved without changes.*

7 Charging Book Contract Committee

Lieke (OSb): We have found 5 members for the Book Contract Committee, which will work on renewing the book contract which is expiring at the end of the academic year 2021/2022.

Decision *Lars Essenstam, Meltem Lampe, Job Noordkamp, Patrick van Oerle and Jelle van Pijkeren are charged as the BCC.* 60

8 Current COVID-situation

Yorick (SB SU): Within the municipality we are busy with a taskforce about youngsters and COVID. If there are any ideas of what the municipality could or should do, please let me know. Maybe we can help you link with the right persons. Besides, we still have the €3.000 subsidy for student events. If you have questions or ideas for that, you can always let me know. The last thing I wanted to say is that coming Monday there is a meeting with the Dutch Minister of Education, so it would be really nice to see as many of you as possible. 65

Imke (Proto): With our study programme, we have set up a WhatsApp group for prospective students to ask questions about the study or student life. There are already 50 people in the group and they do ask questions, so it might be a nice way also for other associations to already reach prospective students and bond them to the association already. 70



Jelle (Inter-Actief): Is it fully set up by the study programme, or in collaboration with Proto? And are there also some kind of moderators to make sure people are behaving?

75 Imke (Proto): There are not necessarily rules, people just behave themselves. Officially, the group is set up by Proto in collaboration with the study programme, but it is moderated by our board and the programme only promoted it among prospective students.

Jeroen (Stress): Now we received the message that we can work on the UT again, we are still hesitating whether we want to do that or not. Are you all working from your association rooms again or still mostly from home?

80 Nick (Concept): We kind of have a mix, I personally think going from working fully at home to fully working at our association room is a little uncomfortable. We try to have 4 board members at most in the association room, so that you have enough space and can keep distance easily.

Jan (Astatine): We started working from our association room a lot, but it helps that we are only with 4 when keeping distance.

85 Jeroen (Stress): How are you feeling about the image you are setting for yourself?

Christine (Dimensie): We are not fully comfortable going all in the room at the same time. We made a schedule with a maximum of 4 board members at the same time, so that we can keep distance.

90 Jelle (Inter-Actief): Maybe I missed it, but does anyone have insights on how students are doing mentally at this moment? We just have a new fund that is being used from the faculty to get more insight in mental health. Do other associations have similar things set up?

Nick (Concept): I think we haven't really had contact with the faculty or programme management regarding this. In our experience, people who are feeling unwell are usually not the ones really active at the association, making it harder for us to reach them.

95 Koen (Newton): I agree with Nick, we are still doing some initiatives to help students have some contact with each other. From different places you hear that people are having a hard time, but people still don't really step forward to actually be helped by, for example, taking a walk with someone.

100 Imke (Proto): We had this topic in our semi-annual survey, and it was indicated that members don't really want us to become their therapists. It's not our job as a study association, even though it is of course a great initiative.

Meltem (Arago): Jelle, you talked about the fund from the faculty. I had a meeting with our faculty this morning and we talked about this as well. We have set up a brainstorm session to set something up, but we don't know yet what exactly we are going to do. Do you have ideas, or how exactly did you set this up?

Jelle (Inter-Actief): I will send you some information after the GMA.

Jan (Astatine): Something we came up with is that it is allowed to do sports outside again. I contacted Jelmer about whether study associations are also allowed to organise sports activities, and they are currently looking into it so it might be possible to have a sports activity in the near future.

Imke (Proto): We contacted *events* about a puzzle activity on campus, and we had to make an entire protocol which is still under review. He gave a positive advice to whoever has to approve it, so such activities should be allowed as well, be it in teams of 2.

115 Jelle (Inter-Actief): Could you maybe send the protocol, since I'm curious what it looks like. And to Jan, a study association can't organise activities themselves yet, but you can do workshops at sports associations. This is already a possibility, as far as I know, if you ask the sports association and if there are fields available.

Jeroen (Stress): How much do you want to promote this if you can already just play sports with your own team? I wouldn't really promote this too much, personally.



Lieke (OSb): Not everyone has to organise sports activities all of a sudden, it is just pointed out as a possibility that every association has to look into for themselves. Nevertheless, it is something to take into account.

9 Upcoming Topics

Lieke (OSb): Upcoming is the Activism Grant provision for 2021, for which Imke will send you an email. We are also still looking for a subject for FocOS Group 4, so let us know if you have any ideas. Also, after next GMA we will host First DatOS, so make sure to sign up!

10 Any Other Business

10.1 Gather.town

Jelle (Inter-Actief): I had contact with the developers of Gather.town and they have given us a free month to try it out. It might be nice to see how it works and how it behaves with a lot of people, since people were curious. So contact me if you are interested in trying it out for your association.

10.2 FOBOS

Jeroen (Stress): I was filling in the sheet for the FOBOS and found out that we can't request all grants for the study tours. They have been active from February 2019 to February 2020, and we can only request grants for the months they were active in 2020. I called Monique for this, and it seems like a new problem for her. She told me she would contact the Student Union for this, and seemed to be willing to find a solution. Do other associations have the same issue?

Imke (OSb): I find this really strange, since the EI Meeting agreed that we can only request for grants if an activity took place in that year. I will also contact Maartje and Monique about this, since a solution should be found for this.

Dirk (DAS): I don't know if this is an incidental thing, or structural. I'm also in the committee which more or less sets up the rules for FOBOS. If you can't reach to a pleasing conclusion with the SU and Monique, you can always contact me about it.

10.3 Wet Bestuur en Toezicht Rechtspersonen (WBTR)

Jeroen (Stress): There seems to be a new law, the WBTR, about associations and having some legal person signed up and we were wondering whether we should do something with this.

Lieke (OSb): We already noticed this and have discussed it with the Student Union. They are going to look into this, and if they have new information about this I will let you know. I guess for nor you don't really have to do anything about this yet.

11 Resumé Action Points and Decisions

11.1 Resumé Action Points

There are no ongoing action points.

11.2 Resumé Decisions

- **GMA MAR.01** The minutes of the GMA of 18-02-2021 are approved. (page 2)
- **GMA MAR.02** The OS FOBOS Model is approved without changes. (page 3)
- **GMA MAR.03** Lars Essenstam, Meltem Lampe, Job Noordkamp, Patrick van Oerle and Jelle van Pijkeren are charged as the BCC. (page 3)

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160 **12** **Closing**

Lieke Pullen (OSb 2021-I) closes this General Members Assembly.

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