

Committees and Responsibilities Updates

OS GMA December 2024

OS-board 2024-II

Committees

Activism Grants Committee (ABC)

The ABC has checked all documents for the proofs cycle and the adjusted hour count was approved in the October GMA. Currently, the committee is looking for new members for the next cycle.

Book Contract Committee (BCC)

All the study associations are asked to email the books that can be found for better prices to tnw@os.utwente.nl. This will be bundled and sent to WO4YOU to see if and for which books a reduction in price might be possible.

GalOS

The GalOS committee currently has two members and is looking for one or two new members. The first meeting is currently looking to be before the Christmas break.

Internationalisation Committee (ICOS)

The committee has had a few meetings by now. They are enthusiastic and are working well together. They will use the input received from the forms to establish plans in which they can make a difference and facilitate learning from each other. More members are still welcome.

Sustainability Committee (SOS)

Most of the committee is currently either away or busy with other things. As such, not much progress has been made.

STACOS

We have sent out an email specifically regarding the recent event of the budget cuts of the SU regarding STACOS.

Responsibilities

Alcohol

No relevant update.

CantOS

For now it is planned to take place in April.

Convention of Education Officers (CEO)

The meetings are well attended and the main topics have been about TA shortages, book prices and student assessors.

Coordination group KIC

We are in contact with the Kick-In Committee and have bi-monthly meetings with them to keep up-to-date.

ERO

There is still no update on the ERO division for the upcoming year, as discussed during the previous GMA, but the OS board is keeping a close eye on any developments.

External Affairs Assembly (EB)

The meetings are well attended and serve their main purposes (i.e. intra-function advice and function bonding).

FocOS Groups

The first session has been held and was a success. The input was used to form an action plan. The minutes, summary of minutes and action plan have been shared through email. The next session is planned for **the 14th of January from 14:00 - 16:00**. We would already like to advise everyone to keep this free.

Although the exact agenda is still being made, it will be a very relevant topic for all, namely, 'How to Structure Associations with Less Capacity'. This in light of the reclining activism. Candidate Boards can use this input to help them think of these topics before their official start, and current Boards can keep it in mind while searching for a new Candidate Board.

We would like to urge all associations to join, even if they are already structured with less Board Members. This way, all associations can learn and profit from each other's experiences.

If you have any topics, ideas or specific questions you would like to see being discussed in this session, please reach out to us!

ICT/Boardsite

All OS board members are currently working on updating the description of their respective committees and responsibilities. These will be uploaded to the website around the Christmas break. Additionally, we will add a new feature to the website so it is possible to see who is responsible for a committee or responsibility, making it easier to contact them.

L.P.S.V. Exedra

A while ago, the OS board came in contact with other study Umbrella Associations from cities around the Netherlands, and there are now plans to meet up with each other to give new life to L.P.S.V. Exedra, the national umbrella organization for the Study Associations. OS will attend this meeting, currently it is looking to be more of an informal meeting to get associated with each other.

MentOS

The committee has had their first two meetings, with the third one planned for after Christmas break. The most recent meeting was attended by the representative from SACC, which proved to be very useful. Measures have been taken to increase the chances that the representatives of SACC, SWIP and the SU will be able to attend the meeting in January. Recent topics have been CCP's and activities around the Christmas break.

OS cup

An idea for a new set-up for the OS cup is in the making. We will use the input of the last FocOS session as well to further improve the current idea we are working on. Besides that, a few other integration plans are in the making.

PenOS

The PenOS (Treasurer Assembly) has been formed and made a responsibility of OS. There has now been one meeting.

Social Media

Since the start of this academic year, there has been an increase of 7,1% in followers on Instagram. Coffee dates are still being posted on the story, but sadly sometimes we forget to take a picture. There have been 2 Instagram Takeovers by associations so far, and we are currently (re-)evaluating the takeovers. We will reach out to the 2 associations still to ask for their experiences. Based on those findings we will make a decision whether to continue offering the opportunity to interested

associations or not. Input for ideas regarding takeovers, or ideas for content to post are always welcome.

Student news

The OS board is present at the meetings dedicated to deciding the contents of the Student News e-mails all students get. The OS board recognises that the current state is less than ideal and is working together with M&C to see if it can be improved such that it is read more. If an association would like to make use of this or if they have a good idea to improve this, get in contact with the OS board.

Teacher Of The Year Award (TOTYA)

The TOTYA will be set up in collaboration with CELT. For now, the planned date is Thursday the 22nd of May. Study associations are asked to send their nominees and recommendations in the first weeks of March. Further information surrounding deadlines and content will follow.

Umbrella Meetings

There is no new update, the next meeting will be on December 12th.