

1. Opening – Opened at 18:03.

Kirsten Koolhof: Hi guys, super nice you are all here joining us on such short notice for this online version of the General Meeting, it is also new for us, so we are trying our best, but we really appreciate you are all joining!

2. Announcements

Kirsten Koolhof: We decided to make up some rules to make sure the meeting goes as smooth as possible since online is also different. So, we set up the following rules to follow:

- Mute yourself if you have a lot of background noise or when not talking.
- If you have a question, comment in the chat that you have a question, so that I have a list and can announce when you can ask your question.
- Please call with headphones, it makes it easier for us to hear you.
- a. Suneh Abrahamian will leave earlier.
- b. Marcelle Hoondert will leave earlier.
- c. Sara Elfvingren will join later.
 - Sjoerd van den Assem: When I want to send someone, I message I can only do that to Board, so to who can I send my questions?
 - Kirsten Koolhof: To Kirsten Koolhof. But when in the Financial part I think Alessia van Overbeeke is better.
 - Alessia van Overbeeke: Yes.

3. Approval of Transcript

Kirsten Koolhof: Anything to add to the Transcript of General Meeting #3?

- Nothing to be added.

4. Approval of Agenda

Kirsten Koolhof: Anything to add to the Agenda of General Meeting #4?

- Nothing to be adjusted.

5. Current State of Affairs

Kirsten Koolhof: We will give you a little update how everything went so far. Since the COVID-19 we had to close the room and cancelled a lot of our activities. But we find it really important to keep in touch with the members, so we work still with each other and the online events.

6. Update on Policy

Kirsten Koolhof: I will now give you an update on the Policy Plan: efore we start, you can also find it back at the VSPVU website. Due to these weird times, we will of course not be able to do all of our policy points, but I will still go through them right now if they are relevant right now.

a. Commitment:

i. Mini Events:

Kirsten Koolhof: We had a lot of Mini Events in real life, now we are trying to put them online. Some of them are better than others, but we are looking into the best options to keep in touch with the members. If you have some ideas for Online Mini Events, please let us know.

- ii. Transparency:
Kirsten Koolhof: We are sending out a monthly newsletter with information about the Board and its events.
 - iii. External Relations:
Kirsten Koolhof: This is hard right now, but we have been in really close contact with faculty and for promotion for example the Candidacy Board throughout Faculty.
 - iv. Merchandise:
Kirsten Koolhof: We still have the merch we bought; we are looking into still selling it online. We are working on concrete ideas right now.
 - v. VSPVU-room:
Kirsten Koolhof: We regularly check the room and made sure all of our important / expensive stuff is out of it and somewhere else.
- b. Members:
- i. New Members:
Kirsten Koolhof: We have a total of 474 new Bachelor members and 15 new Master members, so we have to get 10 more members. We worked on ideas how to get 10 more members. This will be for new Bachelor students next year and the promotion will be through the Faculty. But we don't necessarily expect any new members this year.
 - ii. Member Initiative:
Kirsten Koolhof: We had two Member Initiatives, and one of them happened which we think was a big success, the other one got canceled due to COVID-19, which was sad.
 - Sjoerd van den Assem: There were a lot of beer glasses in the room for the beer tasting, is there a possibility that they can be picked up?
 - Alessia van Overbeeke: The glasses are still in the room so if you really want to pick it up before the summer you can ask us and we'll look, and otherwise it is after the summer break.
 - Sjoerd van den Assem: Okay cool I'll let the people know then.
 - iii. Workshops:
Kirsten Koolhof: We finally have our first workshop planned. It will still be on the 13th of May and online. It will be a workshop about personal branding and the costs will not be more than a maximum of € 5,00 per person.
 - iv. Active Member Application:
Kirsten Koolhof: We are not focusing on this right now, since the committees are going smooth and there is no relevance right now due to COVID-19. We are thinking of promotion ideas for new chairmen for next year.
- c. Recognition:
- i. Media:
Kirsten Koolhof: We invest more in Facebook and Instagram paid promotion. We updated our LinkedIn and we added Externals.
 - ii. Website:
Kirsten Koolhof: Genkgo, the website host, has updated our website with a new layout. We also look into options to make it as useful as possible.
- d. Awareness:
- i. Environment:
Kirsten Koolhof: We have the reusable cups we bought just before everything happened. We are looking into options to use them on events later in the year or in another way.

- ii. Safety:

Kirsten Koolhof: We are sticking to the requesting plan for the board pass, but not really needed right now.
- e. Policy Continuation:
 - i. Translation and Internalization:

Kirsten Koolhof: We were planning on the language courses, which got cancelled. But we do advise next years' Board to organize it.
 - ii. General Meeting:

Kirsten Koolhof: We will have one later this year in June and one after the summer.
 - iii. General Board Meetings:

Kirsten Koolhof: We had 6 General Board Meetings and the final one is in June.
 - iv. Meetings:

Kirsten Koolhof: We are still attending meetings like LOOP, SSPN and G5 online.
 - v. Functioning:

Kirsten Koolhof: We had a few function trainings, but not all of them happened due to the COVID-19. It is difficult to have a training but because it is important some of the Active Members got an online training.
 - vi. Birthday Cards:

Kirsten Koolhof: Birthday cards are written and send, but there is a huge delay of more than 27 days to send it out from the island. So, wait and see.
 - vii. Budgets:

Kirsten Koolhof: We ask the Financial Audit to check double things and for advice.
 - viii. Education:

Kirsten Koolhof: We planned to have a tutor borrel on the 19th of March. It got cancelled but we advise next Board to organize it.
 - ix. First Aid Course:

Kirsten Koolhof: Everybody received their license for the First Aid Course, and everybody picked it up.
 - x. Alcohol & Drugs Policy:

Kirsten Koolhof: Up to now we used the policy once, and we are sticking to it.

7. Update Financial Statement

Kirsten Koolhof: I will give the word to Alessia van Overbeeke for an update of the Financial Statement.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Income

- Margot Bakkes: I was wondering, because we are quite far in the year and sponsorship was lacking behind. Was there a concrete reason and do you have tips to prevent that?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Yes, look into sponsoring way sooner and way more concrete, because we were focusing on environment too much at the start and that is where we fell behind. And now with these times it sucks to get sponsors.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Board Activities

- Sjoerd van den Assem: I've got two questions: The first one is practical: ou have money on transition weekend which is important but in May, and since events are not allowed are you going to be able to join face-to-face? And if not why 150 euros?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: We can also meet after the 20th of May and since it's a small group of max 11 people we might be able to do it and otherwise look into doing it online but then with nice paid stuff like an online training or so.

- Sjoerd van den Assem: And secondly, I think the second idea is really nice, but will you tell us more about what it is later?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: No, we have it as a surprise: hat I can say is that it's for a day but otherwise it's a surprise.
- Sjoerd van den Assem: Because then I feel like voting for something over 2000 euros is something off and weird to do.
- Liz Masselink: Is there money coming back on Mini Events?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Yes, because there is deposit in the room still.
- Juli Dylla: Is it an online activity for active members?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: No, it's not online.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Committees

- Liz Masselink: When will the Convention be and all activities are cancelled until January?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: We cancelled all until the summer break and the VU decided to cancel activities like Parents' Day until January, but because Convention is on another location it's fine.
- Liz Masselink: Study trip: Do they need to go to that location from KLM?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: No, they can choose another location.
- Sjoerd van den Assem: Why did you lower the money for the Lustrum Committee?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Because that was the last post that if that one is lowered is not that bad, and since we did not have enough money to invest the same in it as usual its lowered.
- Sjoerd van den Assem: Okay and what happens with the Faculty budget to cancelled events, like the Convention?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: We already get 500 euros extra for it, but they had 1400 euros on sponsoring: o, they get 500 euros from Faculty and 1000 euros from VSPVU.
- Sjoerd van den Assem: Yes, but I mean overall budget.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: We did but they are being very hard about that. They try to work with us, but they have a huge loss as well so in this way we are helping them as well. This is kind of an in between.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Board Expenses

- Liz Masselink: Maybe it's nice to look into how much fixed costs there are for next year to have a more specific overview.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Yes, that is a nice comment.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Investments

- No questions.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Active Member Rewards

- No questions.

Alessia van Overbeeke presents Totals

- Pieter Braak: How much money did security ask?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: 266,85 euros, so that is the unforeseen expenses.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: About Active Member: t's a very valid point, so we have discussed it during the break, and we want to say that it is a luxurious version of the Active Member Day and we have a full day of planning in September. If you want to know more, please say so now.
- Sjoerd van den Assem: I am curious to it!
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Great! Write it big in your agenda it's the 11th of September.
- Liz Masselink: Is there a plan B if we are not allowed to go into big groups?
- Kirsten Koolhof: We haven't book anything so that's save, but we did not think of alternatives yet as we don't know what happens otherwise.

- Alessia van Overbeeke: And we are very careful with signing contracts for it surrounding COVID-19 policies or anything else.

8. Voting Change Financial Statement

Kirsten Koolhof: We will now vote on the Change in the Financial Statement, from hereon called the Adjusted Estimated Budget. Andrew de Ruiter will explain the voting procedure.

Andrew de Ruiter explains voting procedure

- In favor: 26
- Against: 0
- Neutral: 1

The Adjusted Estimated Budget has been voted in.

9. Idea box

Kirsten Koolhof: We not get ideas in the online idea box so feel free to send us ideas in our online idea box on the website!

10. Important Dates

Kirsten Koolhof: We have a few important dates coming up so note it down:

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| a. 8 th of May: | Online Event #4: Music Bingo |
| b. 10 th of May: | Deadline Candidacy Board Applications |
| c. 13 th of May: | Workshop TBA |
| d. 10 th of June: | General Meeting #5 |
| e. 11 th of September: | Active Member ... |

11. A.O.B.

Kirsten Koolhof: Is there any other business?

a. Candidacy Board

Kirsten Koolhof: We are still open with the Candidacy Board and applications are still possible, we are not sure how working people in will work but we will probably do that online and in a nice manner, we also have group meetings online and if we are able to meet up physically we will do that.

b. Chairman applications

Kirsten Koolhof: We did not have a concrete plan set yet but probably we will do applications like the GBM, so online like usual. It's not settled yet. We will also think about the Ski Trip chairman and Barco chairman, and promotion will start soon for that.

12. Questions or Comments

Kirsten Koolhof: Are there any questions or comments?

- Sjoerd van den Assem: How are the 5 of you doing as a Board in this pandemic?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I'm doing fine actually! I still have worked every Tuesday which is nice, and I am also working on the Board. The financials made a lot of worries for me but that is fine now. I'm just trying to catch up and I am living my life.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I'm doing decent to be honest. VSPVU is really keeping me on the edge and productive and I miss everyone a lot, so I notice that working on the website and Active Member stuff is really nice for me. The sad thing is that I am probably out of work until January or so, which sucks a lot but as long as we are all safe, we can party afterwards just as hard if not harder.
- Kerem Özel: I'm doing fine overall as well. The VSPVU is going quite busy still and it sucks that activities are not able to happen until the end of the year, but my committees are still meeting and it's quite fun with them. I'm keeping up with them.

- Karlo Welch: I was really happy that Ski Trip still happened, we caught it just on time. It was stressful afterwards though as meeting with my family was weird and I will probably not see them again until after Christmas, but I'm doing fine.
- Kirsten Koolhof: Yes, I am still stuck on the island though, I'm catching up on schoolwork and I am still meeting weekly with my Board. I am missing life but it's best to do for safety.
- Juli Dylla: I don't know if this is the right place to ask but do you know of any discussions to open up buildings again. I know studying is not possible again but perhaps after September?
- Kirsten Koolhof: Andrew de Ruiten can respond the best.
- Andrew de Ruiten: The thing is, everything that I say should be taken with a grain of salt as it's not confirmed at all nor am I the one to confirm it, but from what I know and have heard from the VU campus and internally like work et cetera is that they are looking into online education for the whole first semester as well so that probably means that there will be no physical education at the VU until 2021 at least. So, I think that studying at the VU will also become very hard to do if not impossible.
- Kirsten Koolhof: Yes, so it still needs to be completely set so keep that in mind still.
- Juli Dylla: Wow all right thank you.

13. Closing - Closed at 19:10.

Kirsten Koolhof: Thank you all for joining us!