

TRANSCRIPT GM #4

DINNER 17:00 – START 18:00

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1. Opening
18:08
2. Announcements
 - Later due to technical issues
 - Mike Bisschop is the GM chairman
 - Martijn van der Zee, Yamal Brammerloo and Edmond Agabekian leave early
 - Famke Swinkels is later
 - Omer Sami Temel leaves earlier
 - Niels Dijkshoorn leaves earlier
 - Famke Swinkels has authorized Naomi van den Berg to vote before she arrives
 - Boaz Emanuels authorises Sjoerd van den Assem to vote
 - Tim van der Es authorises Eleanor Koomen to vote
 - Bram Wolters authorises Omer Sami Temel to vote
 - GM etiquettes
3. Approval of transcript
4. Approval of agenda
5. Proposal changes in Internal Regulations (Huishoudelijk Reglement)
 - Dascha Verhagen: We had a request for a proposed change in the Internal Regulations, Thierry will now hand out the part of the Internal Regulations it's about and since Casper proposed the change I would like to give the word to Casper.
 - Casper van Tongeren presents his proposal
 - Damian Waij: Do you mean vote individually for everyone again?
 - Casper van Tongeren: Yes.
 - Damian Waij: The way it is now is how most associations do it. I think it is quite interesting to have Candidacy Board members work hard until September and then have a chance not to be voted in. I think we are being very harsh on Candidacy Boards a lot and they should all have the chance. If you feel like they won't be able to do it, then you do it now. This meeting is the opportunity to ask questions and that should be enough.
 - Lisa Dennert: What is your view on having enough time for replacements?
 - Casper van Tongeren: That is good. That you have enough time to look for a replacement.
 - Lisa Dennert: Maybe it will give the Candidacy Board a feeling like it is a trial period and in September you are hit harder when someone is voted out.
 - Casper van Tongeren: That makes sense, I agree with that. I am also here for a discussion and proposing changes. Maybe the second voting as a whole team, otherwise the first voting doesn't count for much.
 - Karlo Welch: I like the idea, you want some confidence in your next board, but if you want to instate a vote, you need two. One earlier than this and one right now. I think it should be based more on character. Also want to add to Damian, if you have a vote in September it is very impractical for finding people who were voted out. So you should have a voting before the summer.
 - Casper van Tongeren: Usually you have a Candidacy Board at the end of April. So either change the announcement or 2 meetings after each other.

- Niels Dijkshoorn: Don't you think there should be more information about the people and their vision in the GM, instead of a period where you don't see people in the summer?
- Casper van Tongeren: I think the period of the introduction week is a very important time for the Candidacy Board as well where they can show themselves.
- Kirsten Koolhof: We get where you come from, but for us it is important to keep the internationalization going, maybe Kerem can explain it better.
- Kerem Özel: I am an international and non-EU student, which means I am paying more than the regular fee and also the binding study advice is never over to keep myself in the country. If I am going to focus on the Candidacy Board, I want to give it 100%. If there is a chance I am voted out in September, it makes it more difficult to stay and work on the Candidacy Board. We changed the rules recently and haven't tried it yet, so it doesn't make sense to not check it out yet. I get it that you want to see us in the introduction week, but we are all active in the VSPVU and want to show ourselves as much as possible. Either way we will try to do our best in the introduction week, but we do it out of fear to not be voted out, but that is not a very effective way to work.
- Edmond Agabekian: Reply to Damian, you say it was a waste of time to vote them in in September. In the past we always voted in September, so they didn't know it in September if they would have been voted out. Now they would know where they stand and what they have to work on. I would say to keep the second vote too. Another argument, if we vote in the Board now, the first years have no say in them.
- Sterre Klazes: I agree with the fact that you don't get to know the board over the summer. Last year I also saw nothing of the Candidacy Board in the introduction week, they are mentors and Introduction Committee. So you don't really get to know them and the first years don't either so they won't get to know them.
- Casper van Tongeren: Should this change be voted in, this is also a voting that may be implemented over all the years so that might not always be the case.
- Lisa Dennert: If we vote you in for Candidacy Board member right now and voted out in September, what does that mean for your process?
- Kerem Özel: There is a possibility that I am kicked out of the country and I cannot even make a fourth year of studying, because I pay a lot more money to study here. I can make a fourth year of studying and board, but not otherwise.
- Casper van Tongeren: The next voting would be in September, which is the start of the academic year, is it by then already determining?
- Kerem Özel: No, but it can jeopardise my whole year. Because I am in such a tough spot it is not an option to ask my father to pay so much more money for me. But it is all hypothetical. But there is a chance and it is a pretty bad thing for me and it will change the international perspective on becoming board.
- Amelie van den Boom: If you do 2 votings and the first one not official but advisory, and in September official. If people do not get voted in in June than they can still improve themselves. But apart from internationals, that would be a good idea.
- Casper van Tongeren: Also I do not want Kerem Özel deported. I was not aware of his situation.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I wanted to react on the question about the beginning of September. That means that you cannot follow your courses in the first period, that means that he has to have a fourth year of studying.
- Casper van Tongeren: I am going to assume that even though you would be in the board full time, you sign up for the university. You can sign up for courses in the summer as well, and then adjust your courses to your board schedule.

- Lisa Dennert: If we vote in the CB right now and 1 gets voted out they don't come back in September. They don't have a chance to prove themselves. Would it be a midway to have the people that voted out right now still get the chance to prove themselves.
- Naomi van den Berg: The chance that someone is voted out is very small, because it almost never happens, so I would say give it some time to work out. It has only been 4 weeks since we voted this in.
- Kerem Özel: Amelie's proposal is that it is not just about me personally, but all internationals. The fact that the final vote is in September will give a bad perspective for all internationals who would want to join the board.
- Damian Waij: I want to emphasize. We voted this in last GM and haven't tried it, so why are we talking about this?
- Casper van Tongeren: During the discussion of last GM, this idea already came up. I had the idea that some people agreed that this was the better proposal, so I wanted to bring up the idea again, maybe now the idea would be differently.
- Mike Bisschop: At this point we have discussed it a lot, Casper, would you change your view on your proposal or still go through with it and just vote at this time?
- Amelie van den Boom: Is it fair to vote for this if Kerem's position is at stake right now? I think with Kerem's issue the whole voting got a different idea than Casper proposed.
- Mike Bisschop: That is why I asked Casper if he wanted to go through with it.
- Casper van Tongeren: Can I take the Candidacy Board apart for a few minutes?
- Dascha Verhagen: Is there a secret?
- Casper van Tongeren: The best thing that I heard is to now have an advisory vote and a definitive one in September, which is in line with the original idea that I proposed.
- Kirsten Koolhof: I think that since we are an international association, it is important to keep that in mind and think about internationals applying for board and their view on if you have an issue. That makes it less interesting for them to join.
- Casper van Tongeren: I understand your vision, but I think it is up to the GM now to vote.
- Mike Bisschop: I was wondering if everyone is informed enough to make a vote.

b. Voting

- In Favour – 5
- Against – 28
- Neutral – 2

6. Introducing Candidacy Board

- Dascha Verhagen: This is your chance to ask the Candidacy Board everything you want to know.
- Candidacy Board introduces themselves
- Amelie van den Boom: Why did the 72nd Board choose them and in these positions.
- Dascha Verhagen: We chose these people, they will answer that with their questions. They are very diverse and have added value to each other. They started with 4 and now with 5, so there were no set functions with 4, which made it a unique situation. We discussed with them which division would be best. With this division they can learn most from each other and for themselves. We think that an international on external can be doable and that companies are ready for it. If not there are other Dutch members in the Board.
- Casper van Tongeren: Could you tell us about your history in the association?
- Kirsten Koolhof: This is my first year, I am the chair of child studies. Also been in other associations.

- Andrew de Ruiter: Just like Kirsten, I am a first year. I am now promotion coordinator for the Hitchhike Committee, but being part of the Board was something I wanted to be in high school already.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Last year I was treasurer of the PedCie, now chair of the convention Committee.
- Kerem Özel: Last year General member/promotion of Introduction Committee. Now chair.
- Karlo Welch: I applied for most committees, but became Bookselling Committee. Second year did the same, but became still a Bookselling Committee member, but been around for 2 years and spoke to a lot of chairs. Applied for chair as well.
- Naomi van den Berg: You all said your functions, but of course we missed Education, how will you divide it?
- Kirsten Koolhof: We are going to do it together. We divided the functions. We have a mindset that we are with 5, so we will go for it and try our best.
- Niels Dijkshoorn: You have 1 year to do things as a board. What is your vision?
- Kirsten Koolhof: Continue the internationalisation and more professional. Also to have fun.
- Demi Acquoij: What are your weak points and what do you want to work on?
- Kirsten Koolhof: I can be a bit insecure sometimes, can be a struggle and a challenge. In a board year you learn a lot about that. I am working on it.
- Andrew de Ruiter: My downfall is that I want to be in control, that is something I want to get rid of it. That is why I think the secretary is good for me, it is very organised, while I really want to let the rest take the lead in their functions.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I am really curious and want to know things, also I am really in control of everything, so I have a good overview. My weak point can be that I am doubting of myself and sometimes too enthusiastic.
- Kerem Özel: I want to be more confident in myself and making decisions. VSPVU helped me already, but it can be better. Also the fear of failure and someone not enjoying my activity I want to work on. For that I have my committee members now and reminds me everything will be okay.
- Karlo Welch: Especially that since this year my weakest points were everything outside of my control, that is a challenge I want to take on. I had a lot of success in my control, but want to work on outside of it. I hope I can make a difference in the association and board.
- Julia de Ruig: What do you look forward most?
- Kirsten Koolhof: I want to have a team and the team spirit and organising fun activities. Also a group to rely on in every way. For my function it is a challenge and I think I can learn a lot.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I look forward to my own development, which is broad. I really hope to see myself make progress into losing the control. Function wise I hope to be as clear as possible as secretary for everyone, so everyone understands everything they need.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Being in contact with people and being a contact person and being close with people and having a talk with them. Function wise I look forward to being more professional instead of a student.
- Kerem Özel: I am enthusiastic to work with these people, but I am mostly looking forward to the smiles on people's faces. Function wise I want to make the best promotion possible and to learn and design more, also texting to Thierry to let him know how fun it all is.
- Karlo Welch: Looking to expand my organisational experience. As far as my position goes, I will give it everything I have.

- Damian Waij: The majority of you said that you can be insecure. Time to work on that, but how do you work on that?
- Kirsten Koolhof: In my work I work with children who can be hard on you. They told me that there was a course I could follow, so will do that.
- Andrew de Ruiter: May be a bit cocky, but I am confident in what I do.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: With my insecurity, I mean that I already developed it last year, I think I am not being insecure about talking to people, but more about myself. I doubt some decision that I make. More looking back insecurity than looking ahead. So not something I will struggle with coming year. Only thing I am insecure about is my English, but I will do lessons on that.
- Kerem Özel: It is mostly related to me trying to come up with the best possible. I am already working on that a lot. VPSVU helps me a lot in that, I already made progress. It is getting much better.
- Damian Waij: I already want to say I notice a big difference with how you have grown, so want to see how that continues.
- Karlo Welch: Like before, my problems are not with insecurity, so will help everything 100%.
- Damian Waij: How is your chemistry level? Is it more professional or more friendly?
- Kirsten Koolhof: We are really different people, which I like. We have been together for some time and personally I like we got to know each other, I feel like I can trust them. I think it is a mix between friends and professional.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I agree on that. For me I would say we can work professionally together, we did not start as a group of friends. I must say we did some fun stuff and already grown towards each other professionally and socially.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I agree with that and what I can add is that we grow towards each other more and more. I think being a good board means that you are all separate, but also together.
- Kerem Özel: I don't have anything new, I like the fact that we keep it professional and everything outside the board we are friends. I see myself bonding with this group throughout the year and it makes me enthusiastic.
- Karlo Welch: They covered everything.
- Casper van Tongeren: 72nd Board discussed Karlo being international. How do you see that yourself?
- Karlo Welch: I will throw my best at it. I am happy that I have some other Dutch people in my group. I will handle everything as needed.
- Casper van Tongeren: For Andrew, you are typing your fingers off. How are your typing skills?
- Andrew de Ruiter: My transcripts are quite clear and complete, not really summarized but whole discussions. I am confident about my typing skills, otherwise I will learn it during the year.
- Kerem Özel: His transcript is a work of OCD and the fact he can type so fast and contribute a lot is a very good quality.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Also he really gets us to shut up when he want to say something.
- Naomi van den Berg: A question for all of you. Kirsten, how will you keep the group together?
- Kirsten Koolhof: Keep on talking with each other, to understand why people are behaving in a certain way. Also when something is going on be honest and talk which each other, also when it is not fun. Also do fun things with each other.

- Naomi van den Berg: For Andrew. You are good with graphic designing. How will you prevent yourself to take over from Kerem?
- Andrew de Ruiter: That is something we have discussed, because I also applied for CM. It is something I wanted to do, but I have total faith in him that he will do fine, maybe better than me. I can also support him where needed, there is a lot of free space. Kerem and I have made a deal that I will help if needed, but only on his own permission.
- Naomi van den Berg: Alessia, being a treasurer can be quite boring. How are you going to last when you have to do a lot the whole day?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I like to be in a flow, so I can work long on the same task. I also like to work with numbers. In high school I had beta courses, with a numbers subject as a choice. I think that if I have my focus I can work long.
- Naomi van den Berg: Kerem, we noticed that promotion is hard this year. How would you change it? Hard to get people to events.
- Kerem Özel: I cannot state a concrete plan. We have to still go on policy weekend. My idea would be that we keep in touch with all promotion coordinators and ask their ideas. Try to present the idea to committees, but not in a forcing idea. I think the promotion is getting better this last part of the year, I don't see a lot of promotion as a spam. Also the promotion on Instagram was very helpful, made me come to the event.
- Naomi van den Berg: Karlo, what is your vision on taking sponsors? Would you take all, or something else?
- Karlo Welch: I am going to take it as it comes. I will reach out to certain companies. We are waiting on the policy weekend for final decisions, but I want companies that are environmentally friendly and moral.
- Joy Caupain: I heard some comments that the amount of students is growing, but active members declining. What are you going to do about it?
- Kirsten Koolhof: It is not only a problem with our association, but I think you have to keep searching for people who want to have fun with each other. I think you should take it as it goes, but keep on promoting VSPVU and see how it comes.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Maybe also bring the value of being an active member back and not be desperate to be active.
- Karlo Welch: The second and third years we know and maybe go to the lectures, but first years in the intro week will be crucial. Also brief the mentors how they view the VSPVU. Hopefully have full committees next year.
- Joy Caupain: Can Alessia elaborate on the value of being active?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I mean more like that it is an addition to your resume and personal development. Last year in my memory it was more promoted that it was fun, which is important, but also telling that it is good for your personal development. Since I learned a lot from it myself as well.
- Lisa Dennert: Karlo, what would be a professional development goal for you? Everyone knows you as being chill.
- Karlo Welch: Like I mentioned before it is more of a professional thing. Expand your horizons, get more connections. Also I am very professional most time of the day, but that is not how people see me.
- Lisa Dennert: Kerem, how do you see yourself fulfil your function? Do you think you will be different than the rest?
- Kerem Özel: I think everyone brings something different to the table and being creative in your own way. You do something different than your predecessor. I am very enthusiastic

about InDesign and I like to be creative and mood elevating promotion if you get me. So far I got good feedback on my promotion which is nice.

- Lisa Dennert: Alessia, what would be a personal development goal for you?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Being more professional. I hope to let go more. Sometimes when I am on to something I just want to finish it, but I think it is important to let stuff go more.
- Lisa Dennert: Do you think this might interfere with your personal life a bit?
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Maybe, but depends on the situation.
- Lisa Dennert: Andrew, I heard a lot of good things about you in the committee. What have you learned from being in a committee?
- Andrew de Ruiter: That not everyone will be able to do their task the way it was intended. I learned that you can take their job into consideration. Also that you work with people you do not choose, I learned a lot from that.
- Lisa Dennert: Kirsten, you said you are in your 3rd year of criminology. Will you finish it?
- Kirsten Koolhof: I got a free pass for the minor, but I am going to do my thesis and leave a subject. For criminology I won't do anything, but maybe something for child studies.
- Lisa Dennert: How do you see yourself as a chairwoman?
- Kirsten Koolhof: I think I am down to earth, but also realistic. If something is not going the way it should, I can say that in a nice way. Also a good listener, so I can listen to what is going right and wrong. And make sure everything is going well.
- Demi Acquoij: What would you do different than your predecessor?
- Kerem Özel: Do not know exactly. I cannot say that I would do something differently, have to discuss our policy. But my idea and vision in my application was that I want to promote members and that can be a nice value to bring that back to the members. We are an association and not one with committees, but one with people and individuals. I would like to promote that.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I do not have an insight into that, because it is hard to see what they do. I have not read all the transcripts. I want to improve how you read the transcripts and that everything is organised right and nobody has a reason to ask where something is because it should be logical.
- Kirsten Koolhof: I think Dascha did a good job and points out the important stuff in a discussion. Personally I want to get to know the internationals more, I want to focus on that.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I think the administration is under control, but maybe having the small overviews of income and outcome.
- Karlo Welch: I will try to do it like before, all I can say is that I will give my best efforts, but there is no plan yet so no specifics.
- Mike Bisschop: For Kerem and Alessia. You are both very enthusiastic, but sometimes have to give negative feedback. How will you do that?
- Kerem Özel: Not damage the enthusiasm, but try to say it as polite as possible, but a clear message. We are a professional association. I think that with giving feedback I can find a good balance.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I think it is important to stress the positive points. But I think to also highlight the points they can have another look at in a clear but respectful way. Also to help them if they need it.
- Julia de Ruig: Karlo, you applied after the deadline. What made you apply then and held you back before?
- Karlo Welch: Before it did not cross my mind, thought there would be loads of applications. My initial motivation came from personal circumstance, a few things were

out of my hands, so wanted to extend me recovering next year through this. It made me late, but with full content.

- Julia de Ruig: What is your life going to look like and what are you going to drop from your personal life? Because it will be very busy.
- Kirsten Koolhof: I am not going to do courses. I decided to move in with my boyfriend as well. I don't have to give up sports. My friends understand what it is like, so they will understand when I say I won't be somewhere.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I have always seen school as a full time job, committee second, work third. So quite hectic, but from next year my full focus is on the board. That also means my school will be dropped 1 year. If possible I want to do the courses I did not pass this year, which is only biological and cognitive psychology now. If not possible, it is of no concern. Work I already contacted that I will be dropping it almost completely. Other than that I have nothing big to drop.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: The past few years my main focus was school, next year it won't be, but it will be the board. About volleyball I am not sure what I am going to do. I will see what my schedule allows. I will manage to make time for friends.
- Kerem Özel: Visit Turkey a little less.
- Karlo Welch: It means to give 100%. I am not employed by anyone, so able to rearrange it the way I see. School is okay, board is priority.
- Amelie van den Boom: Kerem and Karlo. Are you going to learn Dutch?
- Kerem Özel: I am really enthusiastic about learning Dutch.
- Karlo Welch: I live with 14 Dutch people and been making effort. Speaking is not that good, but I am understanding more and more.
- Amelie van den Boom: Are there things that you would do different or keep the same as this board.
- Kirsten Koolhof: As a first year I felt very welcomed, want to continue that. I would stress the professional side more, maybe also with clothing, but not discussed it yet.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I believe professionalization is something we can improve on. It is a very warm association, but for others it might give off a weird image. I want to make clear what the association is about and remove the questions and that would improve the value of active member.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I agree. Openness is important. For professionalization, also be professional when you have to be and friends when you have to be. They do that now too, but make the step not that big when you need to come up to them and ask them a question.
- Kerem Özel: I don't have anything to add to that.
- Karlo Welch: I think the board did good considering what they were given.
- Amelie van den Boom: Karlo, not to be mean, but I heard you do quite some bit of drugs, but how are you going to handle that?
- Karlo Welch: I understand that, I have been aware of that. I have a clear distinction between professional and personal time. As long as someone has their professional understanding when they need it, they can use their free time however they want.
- Casper van Tongeren: Karlo, you mentioned you applied for organisational functions before. How did you handle the feedback?
- Karlo Welch: Within the VSPVU I have never gotten the chance to prove myself. Outside, in the Netherlands I started my own bicycle and haircut company. So a lot of experience.
- Casper van Tongeren: Kerem, you said you have a 30 points minimum to get. A lot for a board year.

- Kerem Özel: No, they will make an exception when I am in the board.
- Casper van Tongeren: How would you deal with a discussion ending not the way you want?
- Kirsten Koolhof; We should follow the opinion of the members. So just talk about it.
- Casper van Tongeren: How about within the board?
- Kirsten Koolhof: Talk about it and try to understand it and make a decision at some point.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I see the board function as something to improve the association and not myself. The decisions you make will be to improve the association. I do believe that we have to follow that opinion. For the board if there is a mixed opinion, we will share all opinions and then decide which is the best decision. If there is a conflict Kirsten will handle it.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: I believe a lot of things can go well in different ways. With small things I don't really mind mostly, but I do really think that if something has to go in a specific way I would not just make a decision. In the association, most decisions will be made by the members. I think it is their decision, not for us.
- Kerem Özel: I want to discuss with everyone. We can have a different opinion than the association. We can reconsider our view then. Within the board communication is key, if we don't support it we will respect the idea. Now we are able to compromise already. I don't see any problems.
- Karlo Welch: We will be able to get compromises and I think I will be able to articulate myself so everyone can understand me.
- Casper van Tongeren: A board year can be stressful. How do you deal with stress and how will you relax?
- Kirsten Koolhof: I would like to talk about it to get it off my mind. My parents live on an island so that is very relaxing.
- Andrew de Ruiter: I can agree on that as well, can get distracted by my environment. Being in the park or city can help me relax. During the matching day we already tried working together, but I felt down how it went and I talked with Kirsten about it already and that helped a lot.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: When I have stress I will work harder to have it done. So when something has a fixed date I will work harder, but when there is stress about something I have no control over, it is important to make time free to be with your friends. Able to separate VSPVU with personal.
- Kerem Özel: When I am getting stressed I find it useful to talk to my members, which makes me very enthusiastic again. If I am having chronic stress, maybe get therapy. If I need it I don't see a problem with it.
- Karlo Welch: the only time I had stressed beyond control it was out of my control. So we should be able to think rationally on them.
- Damian Waij: Few comments, meant well. Some of you have to learn how to use your voice, speak up a bit. Is hard to listen to as a member. Sometimes your answers are a little vague, so be more concrete. Every board has a council of advice, what do you need from them yourselves?
- Kirsten Koolhof: We haven't discussed it yet, but I think good advice. I think it is important to have an honest council of advice. To just say what is on their mind.
- Karlo Welch: Would like a collection of previous years.
- Andrew de Ruiter: Would also like to see some people who have clear helpful advice.
- Damian Waij: Neem ruim.
- Andrew de Ruiter: People who are saying it like it is, but structural and concrete.

- Alessia van Overbeeke: I hope to have a very involved CoA and like Kirsten said be as honest and open as possible.
- Kerem Özel: Honest and bold. If the council thinks we are doing something wrong that they would state we are doing something wrong.
- Naomi van den Berg: do you have a vision for the introduction week as a group?
- Kirsten Koolhof: We wanted an open and warm vibe. Haven't discussed it specifically, but we can all agree on bringing out the open vibe.
- Naomi van den Berg: I recommend discussing it yourselves beforehand.
- Kirsten Koolhof: Maybe a good point to discuss during policy weekend.
- Famke Swinkels: If someone came to you and said they wanted to join the board, are you open for it or okay with 5?
- Karlo Welch: I guess it depends on who the person is, but have to discuss it between ourselves.
- Kirsten Koolhof: I think we can do it with 5, we have that attitude already.
- b. Voting
- Sjoerd: One person made an alteration to the voting sheet, therefore one vote has been taken out of the total amount of votes. This means that 35 votes have been counted.

- Chairwoman – Kirsten Koolhof
- In Favour – 30
- Against – 3
- Neutral – 2

- Secretary – Andrew de Ruiter
- In Favour - 34
- Against - 1
- Neutral – 0

- Treasurer – Alessia van Overbeeke
- In Favour - 33
- Against - 1
- Neutral – 1

- Communication & Media – Kerem Özel
- In Favour - 31
- Against - 2
- Neutral – 2

- External – Karlo Welch
- In Favour - 27
- Against - 5
- Neutral – 3

7. Update on Policy

- Dascha Verhagen: As in the former GM's, I will discuss all the points of our Policy Plan, what we already achieved, what we didn't achieve and what we are planning to do in the last few months of our Board Year.

Committee Development Internationalization

- Dascha Verhagen: Through the whole year we used the pilot names of the committees, some worked out better than others, but since this is such a big change within the association we think it's not a good idea to base the decision on really changing the names on just one pilot year. We therefore advised our Candidacy Board to keep the pilot status of the committee names, so you will hear more about that in September.

We made the decision to translate all of the relevant Board documents to English and also asked the committees to do so, a lot of committees have English committee members and their documents are therefore automatically in English but the other committees also worked hard to achieve this. Looking at the current Candidacy Board and the number of international students the VU expects in the upcoming years we are really happy we made this decision and this effort and well with the new international Board all of the documents from now on will be in English.

Optimizing committees

We contacted all of our chairmen before every GBM and as also mentioned in earlier GBMs we think this is such a small effort compared to what you can get out of it. For some chairs it might not always been necessary or of added value but for some we think it really helped to prepare for every GBM.

We organized extra function trainings for the commissioners external relations and the promotion commissioners of the committees and even extended this with an extra treasurer training as well. We found it quite frustrating at times that people would not show up or not sign up to these trainings, but still think that for a lot of people that did the trainings it was of added value.

The only committees that made committee clothing this year were the Bar Committee and the Study Trip Committee. The shirts of the Bar Committee were not fully in line with the corporate identity, so they wore nametags on every BarCo and the Study Trip Committee had caps.

Tomorrow is the last day we will be present at the VSPVU desk in the VU bookstore this academic year. As stated in the last GM we found it very useful during the first semester to help the Bookselling Committee members and to let members sign the "Stay a member" authorization form and even made some people become a member. The second semester it was not as useful as in the first semester cause the Bookselling Committee new everything.

The Hitchhike Committee is a pilot committee.

Committee budgets

We experimented with the flexible committee budget and as talked through in the last GBM most of the chairs liked it and they noted that it made them think big plans through more thoroughly. Up until now the flexible committee budget has been requested 7 times and was granted 6 times.

- Naomi van den Berg: About the names. What is the opinion of the faculty or Esther on the new committee names?
- Dascha Verhagen: Haven't heard anything about it.
- Naomi van den Berg: The internationals?
- Dascha Verhagen: It differs.
- Naomi van den Berg: I would ask it so you can really evaluate it.
- Dascha Verhagen: We asked, but just a lot of different opinions, so we want to do another year with people who just saw these names.
- Naomi van den Berg: I read the first transcript when the names were mentioned. They said it would affect the image of the VSPVU. Do you think it did?
- Dascha Verhagen: No, the committees still did the same things, so not that big of an impact.
- Naomi van den Berg: A lot of worries were about the ChildCo, because it was an English name and a lot of people wouldn't come.
- Dascha Verhagen: It is not that people did not show up, also not for the members that it affected them. We do think that it might be wise to change the name back since they do not have anything to do with internationals.
- Naomi van den Berg: About the conversations with the chairs, what did they think of it?
- Dascha Verhagen: Some found it useful, some found nothing of it. But nobody said that they disliked it.
- Naomi van den Berg: Do you think it should be in the policy plan?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes, because then you can stick to it. And you can help the chairs phrase things better.
- Naomi van den Berg: About the Balie, did you promote other activities at the Balie?
- Dascha Verhagen: Not other activities, which is quite stupid that we never talked about this, but we are going to advise the CB to hang up posters and promote activities.
- Naomi van den Berg: About the committee clothing, in what way does it contribute to the association?
- Dascha Verhagen: It can be helpful to make everything professional like all the other committees. In my year we had pink onesies, Barcie didn't have corporate identity which made it a little bit messy.
- Mike Bisschop: Good that you ask a lot of questions.
- Amelie van den Boom: Do you think it is good that Hitchhike is still pilot? What did it add?
- Dascha Verhagen: They did a new activity with the camping weekend, which is good for them that they have new things that they can organise. With being a pilot they got to experiment a bit more.

Accessibility

Room

- Dascha Verhagen: As you will notice later in this GM the idea box has been used a lot since the last GM, we have so many ideas that we might not even be able to address all of them.

We had a total of 12 mini-events so far and plan on organizing 2 more. Some were a greater success than others of course, but we really enjoyed the mini-events but think there is more in it than we exploited. We advise the Candidacy Board to organize more diverse mini-events cause they give much for the effort they cost.

Professionalization

The posters are gathered on one wall which makes it easy to look for activities and makes members know what's coming all in one glance.

From October until May we've shown the monthly compilation during the breaks of the first week of the month in the VSPVU room. However due to the fact that we simply all forgot, we did not do it in June. The monthly compilation was online on the fifth of June and we are really sorry that we missed this one. For the monthly compilation of July we want to ask all of your help. Since there are no VSPVU activities in July we cannot make a compilation of that, however we know there will still be a lot going on in the VSPVU-life, so please share all your amazing holiday pictures with us, whether it's just chilling at Spaklerweg, working a summer job or a crazy travel journey through Asia.

- Famke Swinkels: Which ideas from the members did you implement?
- Dascha Verhagen: I have to think about that. We did the clothing swap, also merchandise and I believe an online idea that I don't really recall. We did contact a lot of people that they could ask for the initiative budget.
- Naomi van den Berg: Maybe the answer to Famke's question in September. I read about the mini events in your policy plan but it says to create a better bond between members and the association. How do you think a movie morning creates the bonding?
- Dascha Verhagen: It is so lowkey that you can just drop by, but just in between your classes drop by in the room and hang out with people you don't know.
- Naomi van den Berg: I think it is a really good idea, but don't know if it contributes to better relations between members.
- Dascha Verhagen: I understand you, it may not have been measurable enough.
- Naomi van den Berg: Nice idea about the vacation thing. In what way does this compilation add to professionalization?
- Dascha Verhagen: This is only about showing it and it seems a bit odd as a header.
- Naomi van den Berg: I don't think the professionalization was achieved like this but nice idea.
- Dascha Verhagen: I agree and looking back I remember we really wanted it, but didn't know where to put it.
- Amelie van den Boom: Every time with the monthly compilation, I see the monthly agenda, but that was of last month and that is the first time that I see it than. Why is it nowhere else?
- Thierry Witschge: I did it, but it used to be in a different Facebook post. I always did a separate post for the compilation and the next month. I am sure I posted it, but some messages really wandered off this year.
- Damian Waij: November is the last one.
- Thierry Witschge: That is weird, but I wasn't aware. Sorry.
- Mike Bisschop: I had a suggestion for the compilation of July. Maybe introduce the CB, mentors and intro committee. A lot of first years will look into it.
- Dascha Verhagen: I think that would be a great addition.
- Damian Waij: We talked about the impact of mini events and I got an idea. Maybe you did it, but it is probably time to make an excel file with how many people attend events.
- Dascha Verhagen: That is a good point. We do have it for all committee activities, but not for mini events.

Involvement
General Meeting

Since this is GM #4, you notice that we had 4 GM's this year and you can all see Mike sitting beside us being the GM Chairman of the day. We really think it was a good thing to always have a GM Chairman to make it all go smoothly, whether the GM Chairman should be someone of the CoA, that's something our Candidacy Board would have to decide upon themselves. As a Board it was really nice to have a CoA member as the GM Chairman because they know everything that's going on so they can estimate when a discussion is going in circles and when new thoughts can still be shared.

The idea box is here and we will discuss the ideas with you in a bit.

Transition yearly contribution

We are going to hand every one of you a new leaflet to state that you want to remain a member for the academic year of 2019-2020, so this thing begins all over again. We promoted this a lot before January (cause that was the deadline) and we are starting again now. It would be great if everyone that wants to remain a member would sign a form or click the box on the website so the member-file will stay up to date.

We still have all the money that we budgeted for the transition and greatly advice the Candidacy Board to also keep this post in their budget so that the transition in the academic year 2021-2022 will go smoothly.

- Naomi van den Berg: People who next year don't study at the VU don't count for you right?
- Dascha Verhagen: Not for the VU, but if you want to remain a member you can still click it. Otherwise you will become an alumnus. So it doesn't help for the board, but you can still click the box.
- Famke Swinkels: I believe that you got 3 years for checking the boxes, did you do something with that?
- Dascha Verhagen: We have 900 on our budget for this and since we got the three years and then they evaluate, we made the decision to aim for after 3 years and then we are going to turn to yearly, so if you don't prepare and the VU says that you then have to, you have a problem. So we advise the 75th Board to transition so the difference for them is not that big. The current members will not have to pay the yearly fee.
- Famke Swinkels: Then I want to ask the CB to consider what is best for the association. Maybe it is better to do it now instead of when the VU tells you.
- Dascha Verhagen: You have to have a certain income, so you will miss a lot of money. We do not have the savings to do so right now. It is better for the association to save up and then do it good.
- Famke Swinkels: You can also make it that there is a 30 euro sign up and 5 euro yearly fee, so you still have freshmen pay 35 euros.
- Damian Waij: How many people ticked the box to stay a member?
- Dascha Verhagen: Somewhere around 1300 people. We really pushed it. 1369 members.
- Damian Waij: Bestuursbeurs!!!
- Dascha Verhagen: It still needs to be checked by the VU
- Damian Waij: Neem ruim.
- Mike Bisschop: I wanted to so say to do the thorough calculations on the yearly contribution part. For the current Board and CB.

Image
Media

- Dascha Verhagen: We posted at least 3 stories every week. In the beginning this was mostly us posting things but during the year committees started using it more and more so that's nice.

We did make the design for the app and really wanted to launch an app this year but since no money got voted in in the budget and there were a lot of doubts about how useful it would be we chose to not do it anymore. We still think the idea is great but maybe it just costs too much for now.

Our website, this is the average of the whole year. Our site gets 1500 hits every month on average. This number seems so enormous, because every ticket sale directs you there.

Most viewed is photos and activities

509 Instagram followers, average 230-250 shows and average of 30-80 likes.

Facebook page gets 100 shows per week. People directly going there and we reach around 900 people a week with our Facebook.

- Amelie van den Boom: I rarely saw new things on the website. Also make the Dutch and English sites more different. I also miss the news letters sometimes. Also wonder what happened to the Snapchat.
- Dascha Verhagen: We use it the same as Instagram.
- Amelie van den Boom: For Facebook, people can get a membership on posts. Maybe for the CB, try to promote that.
- Naomi van den Berg: About Facebook, I get that the algorithm is not that good, but I feel like you as a board don't really promote enough. For example the become a chairman event and the CB, which was really necessary, you make the event and really good posters, but no posts are in the event. But that post is necessary. I am disappointed to say that you didn't take it as a high priority.
- Dascha Verhagen: I semi agree with you, but for the new chairman for example. Everyone promoted it in their WhatsApp groups, we tried to contact people more personally so that is less visible for the association, but for these things I don't think you are going to get people better personally.
- Naomi van den Berg: Then don't make Facebook posts, it makes it look like its dead. I also sometimes miss messages about the room being closed, or it was really late. Maybe do that earlier.
- Lisa Dennert: I wanted to come back on the 1500 visits to the website. I think that is way too much. You only sell max 100 tickets in a month. Do your own visits also count?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes, but we do not visit the website 100 times a day.
- Lisa Dennert: If there is 1200 random visits, that makes it more viable to really use the website.
- Dascha Verhagen: I agree, most visited were the photos.
- Lisa Dennert: I mean coming back to what Amelie says, update the other things too.
- Amelie van den Boom: For Facebook I get the algorithm stuff, but I do think there are a lot of older members still going to Facebook as their first source for events, so do keep posting.
- Naomi van den Berg: Did you do any paid promotion?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes, a lot. It worked a lot better. We also used a lot of paid Instagram promotion and that works even better, also because it is more hidden than Facebook. But at a certain point the money runs out.

- Iris Doodeman: I wanted to comment on what Naomi, because I agree with the personal approach. But posting again and again on Facebook will work as a reminder.
- Damian Waij: Dascha said that at a certain point the money runs out, so CB, budget more for it.

Safety

- Dascha Verhagen: Alcohol and drug policy
We did never *really* use the alcohol and drug policy so that's a good thing. We still think it is really good to have it, so the rules are clear to all of the members and so the Board has something to hold on to if anything does happen.

First Aid

We had the First aid course and it was a success, maybe it's not a good idea to do it next year already but the year after but we would still really advice to do it again. We also think that for a next first aid course it might be a good next step to offer a more extensive first aid course.

- Amelie van den Boom: I am not sure how many times you used the policy, but what were the reactions?
- Dascha Verhagen: We used it once, but that was a stupid thing because that really was not on purpose, but since the person that had it knew about they were totally fine with having a talk about it.
- Naomi van den Berg: I am confused about one thing. You did the First aid, but didn't get a certificate, but you did promote it.
- Dascha Verhagen: That was a miscommunication with the organisation that organised it. The students who get it get a note for it, so we thought we could also get it, but they didn't give it.
- Naomi van den Berg: Did you apologise for not having a certificate?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Why don't you advise to do it again as a sort of refreshing workshop?
- Dascha Verhagen: I think it is too short of an interval, but with the numbers of upcoming students you might get a lot of people
- Lisa Dennert: Next time I would mention that 1 alcohol and drug policy person, because you mention nothing really happened, but do it for transparency.
- Dascha Verhagen: But we didn't really use it.
- Lisa Dennert: I am just saying that you might want to mention it next time.
- Mike Bisschop: I wanted to ask something about the course, maybe a little bit later so there is no short interval, and also ask the school if you can get a note.
- Dascha Verhagen: For them it is like the experiments that we have to participate in.
- Mike Bisschop: Just ask the School if you could get it.

Policy continuation

- Dascha Verhagen: We still joined the SSPN, LOOP, G5, UVO and FSOGB.

We sent birthday cards to all of the active members, most of them even on time and some even a month early.

We did Welcome to Amsterdam and the first year breaks.

All of the chairmen except for the chair of the Bookselling Committee wrote a committee plan.

As stated before every month up until now the monthly compilation was up at the beginning of the month, this month it was five days late due to the fact that it slipped our minds.

We tried to organize a career day in cooperation with the School and SPS-NIP but unfortunately this was cancelled because too few people signed up.

We did the lecture talks but we think it could have been way more lecture talks, therefore we advise the Candidacy Board to do more.

We have the water bottles and are now looking into some free merchandise to hand out during introduction week.

We have a new friend of the VSPVU, namely Daan van Overbeek. We would advise to keep this an option but maybe try to make it more of a value to the "friends" so that its more attractive.

We send the pause movie to a lot of different teachers but we think not many of them actually showed them. We would advise the Candidacy Board to literally go up to the teachers to let them play the pause movie.

At this point in time we have 413 new Bachelor members, this is 60,8% of all the new Bachelor students of Psychology and Child Studies this is 4,8% more than we aimed for and got 15 new Master members, so that's exactly what we aimed for.

- Casper van Tongeren: Not to bash the current board. I heard you say twice that things slipped your mind. So write things down to make sure everything is on time.
- Dascha Verhagen: It was about the same thing, the monthly compilation.
- Casper van Tongeren: Still.
- Naomi van den Berg: Did you send the reminder for the pause movie to the teachers?
- Eline Garsen: I did not send them reminders.
- Naomi van den Berg: Last year we send them every week. I never saw them, it is really sad and contributes to more people on your activities.
- Eline Garsen: I did not want to spam them.
- Naomi van den Berg: About the master students, are you going to organise a picknick as well?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes, two. One for masters and one for pre-masters.
- Damian Waij: Next year there will be a new Gonneke, but maybe you can discuss with her to make the career day mandatory for some students.
- Dascha Verhagen: Now we are discussing with the school, but they don't really want a career day anymore, but more small activities, so good idea but the school things differently.
- Naomi van den Berg: Tip for the CB, if there is a new lady, take everything with you and present yourself to them.
- Damian Waij: Do we know who she will be?
- Dascha Verhagen: Not yet.

Outside of policy

Of course the things in our Policy Plan are not the only big things we are doing. Besides everything I just mentioned because the recounting of the current members we “gained” a lot of alumni and had an Alumni borrel. This was a great success. We advise the CB to do one next year as well. Also, we are regaining the good contact with the educational directors of Bachelor and Master of Psychology and Child Studies so that we are able to help each other more with making great activities happen.

After a lot of requests last year and this year we finally managed to implement a pub crawl that wasn’t only for first year students but for all members that wanted to join.

We are trying to better the communication with the School and are now slowly allowed to contact the teachers again and besides that we are reorganising the way the School handles the budget they give to the V.I.B. and us and to which activities.

We found a new main bar, namely the Heeren van Aemstel, because with the growth of our association and also the internationalization of the association we think it is a good thing to go to a different bar than the Woody’s.

- Damian Waij: You said that you are working on revising the budget from the school. Is there something more concrete?
 - Dascha Verhagen: Not in the stage of trying, but we gave them more budgets.
 - Liz Masselink: I will tell you later.
 - Amelie van den Boom: I was wondering if you guys have a contract with the Heeren and how the borrel happened with the MFVU.
 - Dascha Verhagen: Usually MFVU has borrels on Mondays. Heeren says they don’t need contracts, because their agenda works fine, but they double scheduled it on the same day. When we found out we came together and the best option then was to do it together. We are however greatly advising the next Board to make contracts. They don’t want it, but we will force it on them. And we will get free shots next borrel and the first 100 beer for 1 euro last borrel.
8. Update Financial Statement
- Liz Masselink presents financial Statement
 - Income
 - Casper van Tongeren: The virtual result is going to lower to 50 right? That is still 30 euros to go. How are you going to reach that?
 - Liz Masselink: My father would like to become a Friend.
 - Damian Waij: Do we know how the book sales went?
 - Eline Garsen: There were more books sold than last year, so maybe even be higher, but not really sure now. There is still a meeting coming up and there will be new arrangements next year as well with packages of books.
 - Damian Waij: Is there an exact overview of how much money still needs to come in from each sponsor?
 - Eleanor Koomen: Not yet.
 - Damian Waij: Have it in September.
 - Amelie van den Boom: With Friends, I get it is a little money that you don’t have if you don’t have this post, but is it really an addition to the association?

- Liz Masselink: I think it is a fun idea. Also because Alumni have their name on the website and enjoyed it, but for years without the Parents day it is more difficult. Last year a lot of parents thought that it was fun to do.
- Lisa Dennert: About contribution, there is a star behind it. How come the current balance and virtual result are different?
- Liz Masselink: That is a typo, my computer does weird things.
- Lisa Dennert: One more question about the book packages, can you tell us more about it?
- Dascha Verhagen: There will be an opportunity for students to buy all of their books for the first semester all at once. Once you start studying that seems like the best option. You will get more discount when you buy them all at once, so some money we usually get go back to the people, but it is an added value still. I think there will also be a package for the second semester.
- Eline Garssen: They cannot do it for the whole year, because the teacher can still change the books.
- Naomi van den Berg: About the book packages. Is it with VSPVU discount?
- Eline Garssen: It is normal VSPVU discount, but we get a little percentage from all the books that are being sold, so the price will get lower a bit.
- Naomi van den Berg: About Amelie's comment. It is no work, so let's keep it, but maybe lower it. I don't really get it. You now have 235 euros from sponsors, but still need a lot of money. But maybe companies close in the summer. Are you sure everything will come in before the summer?
- Liz Masselink: Yes.
- Board Activities
- Amelie van den Boom: Last year a lot of people got really angry that they overspend, but now there are 3 posts where you spend a little money over the amounts.
- Liz Masselink: For every single one there is a small explanation, we really tried to stay on budget.
- Amelie van den Boom: Just pay attention to it.
- Lisa Dennert: I am wondering if you go over it, where does that money come from?
- Liz Masselink: If you want, I can transfer them to unforeseen expenses. If we do an activity, the unforeseen of that budget is from this whole budget.
- Lisa Dennert: Now we don't know where the money is coming from.
- Mike Bisschop: As someone on the KasCo, this gives more clarity to the members about which posts the money was spent on. Most of the time, the unforeseen expenses will not all be spend, but in the end it balances out.
- Lisa Dennert: But you do keep this in mind when you calculate the unforeseen expenses.
- Liz Masselink: I always keep an eye on the unforeseen expenses. It just gives more clarity this way.
- Lisa Dennert: What makes it that there is -376 on unforeseen expenses?
- Liz Masselink: That was for example the bar committee that we had to pay for an emergency delivery and also for the party committee.
- Mike Bisschop: Do you think it is necessary to have 500 for the mini events or cut it to 400?
- Liz Masselink: I think it is important for mini events that we are still finding our ways into what a mini event is. It is difficult to think about what the right amount of money for a mini event is. I liked that we had a lot of money to be able to spend on mini events. Now bbq borrel is also a mini event.
- Mike Bisschop: Do you think you could have done it with 400?
- Liz Masselink: No.

- Naomi van den Berg: Last year we went over the budget on a post and I actually do mind. At that time the people at our GM had a valid point, because if a committee goes over their budget they are punished. I think that the big budgets should be checked by the KasCo. I do think it is a good idea to have them approved.
- Liz Masselink: That is fine, I don't think it is a big thing to do for them. For big differences that is a big problem, but I do get your point.
- Naomi van den Berg: 30 euros to spend too much is not a lot, but it is still too much.
- Mike Bisschop: I agree with you, but a budget is a budget, so a small amount is okay if you spend too much or too little. Keep that in mind. For AMW they spend 1% too much, you should take that into account.
- Liz Masselink: I get Naomi's point, but I also agree with Mike. It is something we can take into account.
- Damian Waij: Besides the issue of a little bit in the minus, I think it is a very good idea that the KasCo checks the Board's budgets. Would love to see such a rule in the home rules. Also we are really focusing on things in the minus, so I would really stress to everyone to look at the whole picture, because there are a lot of things in the plus as well.
- Amelie van den Boom: Maybe for things like active member weekend. It is not common to do unforeseen expenses for activities, but for like big budgets as these do use an unforeseen expenses of the budget you have.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: If you do that with a budget of 2300 euros, that means you have a couple 100 euros left, what can you do with that? Maybe that is a little waste of money.
- Liz Masselink: I think one of the most important solutions is that the KasCo will check the budgets next year.
- Committees
- Casper van Tongeren: A bit of a reoccurring thing for the ChildCo, LEX and CareerCo that they have a lot of money left. Maybe it is time for the upcoming Board to lower the amount, it just doesn't get spend.
- Liz Masselink: I agree, that is why we made the decision to already lower a big part of their budget. We still think it was a good idea to lower all the budgets, to see which committees still have money. It should not be the case these committees remain with so much money.
- Amelie van den Boom: Things like with these committees, LEX organised only 2 events, 1 to come, same with CareerCo and ChildCo, because there should be more events. SportsCo only had 2 events but still spent a lot of money, but only have 20 euros left.
- Liz Masselink: The first one was curling, they asked the Flexpot for that and got money back, but on the last activity they made a big loss because they forgot that the trainers wanted money for the driving cost and giving the lesson, so it was more than expected. It is not a very motivated committee as well. They have not met up in months and a lot of chairs were very critical of Edmond last week.
- Naomi van den Berg: Last GBM they did not have the final financial statement. Do they have money left? Because normally you get like a gift.
- Liz Masselink: There were no presents because they were too late with the budget. They were requesting to buy gifts, did not respond to it yet. The money still needs to go back, but they don't know how the money goes back.
- Naomi van den Berg: Maybe even just give money back.
- Liz Masselink: I am not going to promise anything yet. But I will discuss it next Monday with the board. It is not realistic anymore that the committee will buy gifts anymore. I can look into the option of giving money back.

- Damian Waij: I want to say to Casper that what usually happens at the LEX is that the speaker doesn't reimburse their travel expenses. You really need the budget of 200 euros at least. I don't think it is a good idea to reduce it even more. It just happens that the speaker doesn't reimburse their travel costs.
- Liz Masselink: For some committees it is difficult to make a budget. It fluctuates over the years.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: For the Sports, I saw there was 20 euros left. Do you think the 120 euros is enough or give them more money next year?
- Liz Masselink: I don't really think the committee did what they wanted this year, so cannot really say much about it. There is so much more to the committee than they showed this year.
- Mike Bisschop: Suggestion for the red committees, to maybe make it a policy that the first events will be more luxurious or a bigger better event. That might add to the committees that they spend more in the first 2 and make an image for themselves.
- Amelie van den Boom: Maybe for the Study Trip. You can maybe give them drinking cards for the Barco instead of money or gifts.
- Liz Masselink: That might be a good idea.
- Alessia van Overbeeke: Last year I was in the Child Studies as treasurer and he told me you have to have an equal investment per activity. As you see it doesn't really work out this year.
- Liz Masselink: Committees brainstorm at the start of the year, but it always turns out differently, because if an activity becomes very popular you make a profit and have more money to spend.
- Board Expenses
- Alessia van Overbeeke: There was a lot of money left for GBM and GM. Would you do less money or find another way to spend the money?
- Liz Masselink: One of the reasons was that 2 or 3 GBM's were in the WN building and we could not access our building, so we could not give everyone beers. Same for the GM, a lot of times we were not here.
- Mike Bisschop: What kind of plans do you have for home and office and porto?
- Liz Masselink: There is not much money that we will need. The only thing we will buy is cartridges for next year and maybe some paperwork. There is a lot of stuff missing in the room, so we want to buy these things for the CB.
- Mike Bisschop: About External Relations. I advise to do a lunch for the external associations.
- Dascha Verhagen: We had an agreement with the SSPN to only buy snacks.
- Investments
- Alessia van Overbeeke: What do you think of the member initiative budget having so much left?
- Liz Masselink: You can't take it out, because the members need to have the opportunity to organise something.
- Amelie van den Boom: Maybe with member initiative you can do the same restrictions as committee 10 that after a time the budget is frozen and you can use the money yourself.
- Damian Waij: I completely agree with Amelie and Liz and if it doesn't get used by members, use it yourself.
- Active Member Rewards

- Naomi van den Berg: the committee 10 budget you have 400 euros left, but it is closed. Maybe because it is 400 euros for your active members, you can give that money back to them on the bbq borrel.
- Liz Masselink: We already talked about this 2 GM's ago. We transferred it to AMW and maybe we would like to give all the committees a small gift.
- Totals
- Liz Masselink: We were thinking about what to do with the money we have left and we want to put it into the savings account, because it is quite low. Also to the Lustrum committee and transfer to yearly contribution. Also there may be more members, that would mean we would need more savings as well.
- Mike Bisschop: I want to revisit the total. It is going to be around 400 euros in the plus.
- Lisa Dennert: I know this is a topic that has been brought up a couple times. I just informed myself that it is difficult to keep track on what is going in and out. Do you know how much money you have in savings?
- Liz Masselink: 16000 Euros. The Lustrum committee and involvement will be coming to that as well, in the end there will be about 2500 euros added from this year. Damian Waij told me that the savings should stay the same, but it has to grow when the association also grows. When the whole VSPVU goes bankrupt we need to be able to survive a whole year.
- Mike Bisschop: The Books are not bought by us right? That is why it was difficult in the past, but now it is stable.
- Liz Masselink: I will talk you through the proposal for the School, it took a lot of time. Tomorrow we will send out the final version. For now I will talk you through it. It is not set yet.
- Intro committee we asked 6000 euros
- Porto print stays 900 euros
- Tranz we asked 1100 euros
- Parent's day we asked 7000 euros
- Convention committee we asked 2000 euros
- Career Day we asked 300 euros
- Naomi van den Berg: I think you made a nice division of money.

9. Proposal changes in Internal Regulations (Huishoudelijk Regelement)

- Dascha Verhagen: We already discussed a big change in the Internal Regulations but we as a Board still want to bring up some other changes we would like to propose. Namely article 2.2., it now states "The Board is present and available in the Board room from 13.00 to 14.00. If this is not possible due to circumstances, the members will be kept up to date on time. During this time there will be no meetings in the Board room." and we would like to change this into "The Board is present and available in the Board room from 12:45 till 13:30. If this is not possible due to circumstances, the members will be kept up to date on time. During this time the door in between the association room and the Board room will be open." We would like to propose this, because we feel that the times that are now stated are quite random and that the last sentence is too vague.
- Damian Waij: For the CB, if you have Board meetings, you have to be done by 12:45 then. So be aware of that.
- Dascha Verhagen: The next change we would like to propose are two additions, first an addition that should have been added to the Internal Regulations a year ago cause it was already voted in then. This is the addition of the Pedcie as article 4.1.11. as "The Pedcie, responsible for organizing study related activities for Child Studies students". Then next

we would like to propose a new article 4.1.3. of the Barcie which will be “The Barcie, responsible for organising at least four borrels in the association room.”

- Mike Bisschop: Why does this need to be voted in again when it has already been voted in?
- Dascha Verhagen: We had new votings about IR, also as a whole, for some reason it was never added, so now this internal regulations is the one that is voted in.
- Famke Swinkels: Is this the only one missing?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes.
- Casper: Is this going to change to Child Studies Committee?
- Dascha Verhagen: No, as stated we want to keep the names a pilot, so we advise to keep the English names a pilot.
- Casper van Tongeren: Is it then not confusing to have different names across different documents?
- Mike Bisschop: Maybe an appendix to the HR with pilot things?
- Amelie van den Boom: That also needs to be voted in.
- Dascha Verhagen: We will make the document, but we also have a tutorial for the Flexpot, so it is not official.
- Mike Bisschop: Maybe refer to it in the IR.
- Naomi van den Berg: I do not think it is necessary.
- Dascha Verhagen: We would like to add the Barcie to the IR and therefore make it a real committee and not a pilot anymore because we think the borrels in the association room are of so much added value to the association that we could not imagine the Barcie not being there.
- Amelie van den Boom: I would put ‘borrels’ in cursive or in between quotation marks.
- Dascha Verhagen: Then last but not least we want to propose to delete something out of the Internal Regulations namely in article 4.3. it now states “The activities of the association are firstly organised for members, in principle. Because of this, there should be a difference in price for members and non-members. This difference is based on the following three questions: 1. How much does the VSPVU invest (per participant)? 2. Do the members benefit to have non-members at the activity? 3. What is a reasonable price for a non-member? If a committee concludes that it is preferable to not have a difference in price, than this is possible after approval of the Board.” and we want to change this to “The activities of the association are firstly organised for members, in principle. Because of this, there should be a difference in price for members and non-members. If a committee concludes that it is preferable to not have a difference in price, than this is possible after approval of the Board.” We want to delete this because we think the IR is not the place for this sentence, we think this is still a guideline Boards should follow therefore we will keep them in other general Board documents but not as a set rule cause now it already states right afterwards that if there’s a reason not to follow the rule that that’s okay as well.
- Lisa Dennert: I think if you leave it out people will take it less seriously.
- Dascha Verhagen: In the Board manual there is also a thing with prices and formulas for non-members. So there is nothing about not taking it seriously. So just the Board needs to check this.
- Lisa Dennert: So as a Board, would you base the prices of the Board manual?
- Liz Masselink: Yes, the formulas are in the Board manual.
- Joy Caupain: Are we voting for all the proposal changes as a whole?
- Dascha Verhagen: No, separately.

b. Voting

- 2.2.
- In Favour 31
- Against 0
- Neutral 1

- 4.1.3.
- In Favour 29
- Against 2
- Neutral 1

- 4.1.11.
- In Favour 31
- Against 0
- Neutral 1

- 4.3.
- In Favour 31
- Against 0
- Neutral 1

10. Ideas

- Dascha Verhagen: Maxime had an idea about a tea committee. They would organise a high tea, like a BarCo but instead of beer there is tea.
- Famke Swinkels: Maybe an idea for mini events, but not a committee.
- Lisa Dennert: I agree, great to test it as a mini event. I would not go straight for the committee.
- Joy Caupain: It might be an event but not committee.
- Damian Waij: Member initiative.
- Casper van Tongeren: Would attract the more non-typical ChildStudies students.
- Mike Bisschop: Could even be a BarCo event.
- Karlo Welch: I like it, maybe start it off as a mini event. But first social event without alcohol.
- Dascha Verhagen :A lot of new ideas were added to the idea box so I will now quickly address them, please ask questions where needed.

First of all a lot of new committee ideas, namely:

- Orgelcie
- Bier-en-tiet-cie
- Massagecie
- Draagcie
- Ideecie

So we would like to invite all these people to a GBM to propose these committees.

- Joy Caupain: You said orgelcie?
- Dascha Verhagen: Yes.
- Casper van Tongeren: Can you explain the concept DraagCie?
- Dascha Verhagen: It was not my idea.

Next up some ideas for activities or themes of activities namely:

- An alumni borrel each year, we greatly advise the Candidacy Board to do so
- A borrel with the theme Borrel, so Iris maybe this is an idea for you
- A borrel with the theme Buffalo Bill, again something for Iris maybe?

- An activity for the Activity Committee: cuddling lambs and then eating lambs kebab, Thierry, keep it in mind for next year
- A PTSD after exam borrel, again Iris
- Do networking borrels after lectures, we think this is a great idea so something to keep in mind for the next LEX
- A party theme "Strak in je vuilniszak" sadly this only rimes in Dutch so it's not really an option
- A borrel with the theme beer and air fryer without gezelligheid, maybe something for Iris again
- Going to the Efteling with the VSPVU, great idea but very expensive maybe something for next year
- Watch the Stanford Prison experiment with everyone, maybe something for a movie morning if the Candidacy Board would like to still do that
- Go on an alumni trip to Vegas
- A lecture about animal psychology with Freek Vonk, maybe something for the LEX
- Lisa Dennert: What does Buffalo Bill mean?
- Dascha Verhagen: That is someone who hunted for Bisons and was a showman.
- Lisa Dennert: I think a lot of these ideas could also be executed by you guys as mini events.
- Dascha Verhagen: Borrels as a board right now would be taking the place of a BarCo, so that would have to be discussed with the committee.
- Famke Swinkels: Maybe next time you can filter the jokes.
- Dascha Verhagen: I wanted to do that, but Amelie said she would bring up everything I wouldn't mention.
- Casper van Tongeren: Swag in your garbage bag is the English name for the event.
- Dascha Verhagen: Then the idea was there to make VSPVU pens, which we are currently looking into.

The idea to promote activities at the desk in the VU bookstore is a great idea and we advise the Candidacy Board to do this.

The 70th Board wants to go to Middelburg with the initiative member budget, so we are waiting on an official request for that.

A VSPVU stamp, Liz has one

A cooking committee for the GMs, don't you guys love the cooking of Eleanor, Thierry, Sjoerd and Eline?

A bigger horoscope in the Tranz, maybe something for next year

Give out BotC points not only to committee members that are in the GM but only if they actually say something, maybe something for next year

For the Yearbook Committee: ask the less active or not active members to write pieces or send pictures earlier so that they are on time, we think that they already do that but we will take it into account

Change the name of the Tranz to P.S. Don't let me go, something the Candidacy Board can consider

Mario Kart on the Game Cube, we got that

Play pie twister on active member weekend, something the Candidacy Board can consider

Have VSPVU beanies for the Ski Trip, Totally is quite certainly going to make those for us

Make VSPVU playing cards, great idea we will have to see if it's still possible for us and will otherwise advise the Candidacy Board to try and make this happen

A VSPVU gift card, it's a nice idea but a lot of work administration wise so something to thoroughly look into

A second voting about the Candidacy Board and their Policy a week after the GM of September so that the GM doesn't last that long, we would not advise that at all cause we think then both GMs will last that long

And then last but not least the idea to make Bart an honorary member, we decided to not propose any honorary members this year, the Candidacy Board might consider this

- Andrew de Ruiter: What is meant by VSPVU stamp?
- Dascha Verhagen: Stempel.
- Joy Caupain: The point about giving points to members who say something during GM's. I get it, but if people only ask questions to ask questions it is going to be a long ride.
- Dascha Verhagen: Usually GM's took really long, but this year they took very short. Why it was put in was that everyone had to give more feedback, I think.
- Lisa Dennert: Did you buy Mario Kart based on this idea?
- Dascha Verhagen: The 71st already bought it.
- Lisa Dennert: Why did you decide not to name any honorary members?
- Dascha Verhagen: We think that to become an honorary member you should do something very special, and we do not want to keep on naming honorary members.
- Casper van Tongeren: A lot of these ideas are going into rapid fire, can the CB keep up?
- Dascha Verhagen: They can read the transcript, but we also don't have more than just the scribbles that were put on the pieces of paper.
- Mike Bisschop: I think the KookCie is a good idea to take some stress off the Board if people are willing to do it. Maybe as a policy the GM should be opened by the Board to say that people should be as critical as the GM can be.
- Dascha Verhagen: Is there anyone who likes to address an extra idea, then this is your moment to shine.
- Karlo Welch: If someone wants to apply to make a committee next year, is that too late?
- Dascha Verhagen: That has to go through a GBM and the next one will be on the 18th of September, than you can have it.
- Casper van TOngeren: The people who did propose a committee with their name, will you tell them the official procedure?
- Dascha Verhagen: We will.

11. Important dates

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| a. 27 th of June | - BBQ Borrel |
| b. 10 th of September | - 72 nd Board Goodbye Borrel |
| c. 11 th of September | - GM #1 |

12. A.O.B.

13. Questions and comments

- Casper van Tongeren: I understand it is turning to be late and during the end of the meeting the pace goes up and there is a semi sigh for questions. Do not do that, the meeting is for that. Nobody should have anything still to say when they leave this room.
- Naomi van den Berg: I thought it was a good idea for the CB to discuss the future of the VSPVU. We have more members, but less active members. Also from the last 2 years we see that a lot of active members drop out. I think it is a good idea to discuss the number of committees, maybe less with more members. Also discuss with the teachers to promote the committees. I feel like it is going downhill with the association. I don't know why, but brainstorm on it in your policy weekend.

14. Closing
- 00:00