

AGENDA GM #2 EMERGENCY

14-10-2020

18:00 START

ZOOM

1. **Opening:** 18:04.
2. **Announcements**
 - Ronja Lange has left the meeting early and has therefore not cast her vote.
3. **Approval of Transcript**
 - Martijn van der Zee: Are there any remarks about the transcript of the last GM?
 - o No remarks made.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
 - Martijn van der Zee: Are there any remarks about the Agenda of today?
 - o No remarks made.
5. **The CoCo, the Commitment Committee**
 - Martijn van der Zee: Before we begin the actual meeting I will quickly explain the concept of the CoCo again, since we are playing it for the first time. This game is between committees and is a replacement of the BOTC points at GMs. Prior to my explanation I want to remind you all that each GM, we will have a prize for the winning committee. Okay, now to the part about how to earn points again:
 - If only the chair shows up: ½ point;
 - If 40% of your committee shows up: 1 points;
 - If 70% of your committee shows up: 2 points;
 - If 90% of your committee shows up: 3 points;
 - If 100% of your committee shows up: 4 points.
 - Martijn van der Zee: Then to the bingo. You can collect points by catching as many mistakes or moments as possible (getting one point per catch) and you can simultaneously play bingo (If you get bingo you are awarded 5 points). The Bingo cards have been sent to the respective chairmen of each committee. If you get Bingo, type it in the chat. Sofi will get back to you when possible. At the end of the GM she will also count all the points. The winning committee will receive the "spirit stick". This is a prize you keep until the next GM as kind of like a trophy that you won. Furthermore you will receive a prize. This prize will be a plush toy of choice (budget is 15 euros) which will function as a committee mascot too! We will get back to you when you win to order it for you. Any questions?
 - o Questions:
 - No questions.
6. **Update on Budget**
 - Martijn van der Zee: I will now give the word to Demi Acquoy for the Budget.
 - **Demi Acquoy presents Income.**
 - Demi Acquoy: Since there are new people here I will tell more about every post and about the contracts.
 - o VU Bookstore: We have our own counter in the cellar of the VU Bookstore where we can sell our books and summaries. In the first period, the counter was closed and the VU Bookstore sold the books at their counter. We will receive 3% of the total sales and an additional 1% on English books. Besides this we receive €1030,44. We haven't reached Theo from the VU Bookstore yet, but the last update was that it was going better than expected.

- Membership: This year the contribution is based on three things, namely new bachelor members, new master members and the yearly contribution. The amount of new Bachelor members is normally around 55-60%. We aimed lower this year, 51%, but it was still too much. We made the decision to lower the amount of new bachelor students from 350 to 275, currently we are at 249. The expectation for new master members was 25, but suddenly we are at 50 new master members, which is a record. We still want to put effort in this, so we made our goal 55. We are currently promoting a lot with stay a member, but we lowered our goal from 315 to 300. Currently, we are at 227. So if you didn't fill in the form on the website, please do so. The deadline is 25th of October. After that, you will be removed from the member file and don't count as a member anymore.
- Athena Summary: We will get 1000 euros for sure from Athena and an addition 5% of all sales. When a non-member buys a summary, we will get an additional €1 as well. We still think we can reach this goal, that's why we didn't change this.
- Bavaria: We will receive €500 from Bavaria either way and I think we will get €60 per hectoliters (100 liter), since we won't use more than 250 hectoliters beer this year. The more hectoliters, the more sponsor money you will get. We listened to the feedback that was given the first GM and we lowered the Bavaria post, just in case we can't work around Corona. Bavaria wants to extend our contract, so that is also a nice update I can give you.
- Sponsorship: Since Corona is in a big second wave and companies are getting it harder and harder, we listened again and decided to lower the amount of sponsorship. Sofia Mendez Quiros already made some money and she will continue with her smooth talk. We will give you an exact update in the GM of January.
- Bank Account Interest: The same since last time and no need to change this since it won't be much more.
- Questions about Income:
 - No questions.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Board Activities.**
- Demi Acquoy:
 - Active Member Day: Since everybody has to be cut on our money, our events need some cutting as well. Since Active Member Day won't be online and the new measures are probably still operative, I think we will postpone this Active Member Day. We think you deserve a real event and not an online event. We will talk about this more on Monday, since we didn't have the time to discuss this further.
 - Active Member Weekend: Previous boards also managed with this amount of money and we have to find a way to work with this as well. We are in full preparation mode and really hope this will be a nice physical event without Corona issues.
 - Constitution Drink: The constitution drink is an event for former boards, brother associations (other associations from the VU) and sister associations (Psychology and Pedagogical Sciences at other universities) to congratulate us for becoming the new Board. They will give us a lot of alcohol and we die. This is the set amount for years and we are still trying to make the COBO work in the second semester of the year.
 - Transition Weekend: Transition weekend is the training weekend for the new Board given by the old Board for the functions and the personal bond within

the Board. This money is for the food during the weekend and has been the same for years.

- Mini-Events: Since everything has to be online again for at least 4 weeks, we will host some mini-events online to keep you from boredom. We lowered the amount in comparison with the previous budget, since we didn't spend that much money on those activities and everybody has to give up some money.
- Board Drinks: This post is for the borrels and we decided not to cut this, since we are still hosting 4 borrels. The next borrel falls under the new measures, but I think we will work on an alternative borrel. Hopefully in collaboration with the Heeren to give them some support as well.
- Questions about Board Activities:
 - No questions.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Committees.**
- Demi Acquoy:
 - Actie: With two events less than previous years and not cutting their budget, it was time to cut the Actie their budget. We still want to keep some money available for a larger activity.
 - Balie: This is the money we discussed during the post VU Bookstore and there is no investment from us.
 - Barcie: This committee has perfectly operated with €100,- for three years now and we didn't see a reason to cut some money from this committee.
 - Chronicles: Last time, this committee was given the leftover money with the idea: the more money, the prettier the yearbook. Since we have to cut money, this was the first committee to hand in some money. Since there are less activities, the book itself will be smaller. They managed years with this amount, so we believe that this will be sufficient.
 - Congresscie: The same situation as the Chronicles and since they took over the cheap, very pretty location from last year, they can handle less money.
 - Feestcie: Feestcie has lost two events, but increased in the amount of money from us. So this means that they have to hand in some money as well. Our aim is 115 euros for the Psy-kickoff in the Introduction Week and 900 for the gala.
 - Illusie: This committee is going to be financed by the School (faculty) and doesn't need any support from us.
 - LEX: Every year, the LEX doesn't spend all their money and that's why we decided to cut 50 euros from this committee. They will be absolutely fine.
 - Lucie: Since Corona is giving us a hard time now, we decided to not cut the budget for the Lucie. We hope that during the Lustrum of April 2022, Corona is long gone and you can enjoy this amazing week as a small substitute from now. Besides that, the Lucie needs all the money they can get.
 - Opcie: Same point as the LEX.
 - Pedcie: Same point as the LEX and Opcie.
 - Rallycie: Since we don't need the bus back to Amsterdam anymore and it is within 300 kilometers, we think this committee can manage with 500 euros. Since there are no members in this committee yet, we will wait till after the second round of applications (1st of November) if this committee will be cancelled or not. If this committee will be cancelled, the money will be divided among the other committees.
 - Reiscie: The Reiscie stayed the same, since they need this little extra input, due to inflation. This budget will be sufficient enough to organize a fun and nice week.

- Webcie: This is a new committee and starts with the same amount the Barcie started with. Since this is a try-out, we don't want to adjust this now and we want to see what this year will bring.
- Wintersportcie: We added a very sad, but a little help of 25 euros to the Wintersportcie, because sponsor money will be hard this year. We really do want to let you know that we listen to you and that's why we put this small amount on here. We couldn't make it more, since other committees (Reiscie for example) are going to struggle with the same problem.
- Flexible Committee Budget: We want to see what this strange year will bring and want to keep the option open for everybody to apply for the flexible committee budget. This way, the money ends up at a place where it fits the best.
- Questions about Committees:
 - Casper van Tongeren: About the Lucie, you have lowered their budget from a 1000 to 0 as it is stated here.
 - Demi Acquoy: No, that's not the case.
 - Casper van Tongeren: So then nothing has changed for the Lucie?
 - Demi Acquoy: No.
 - Stefan Canic: There is a lot of uncertainty about the bingo cards in the chat.
 - Martijn van der Zee: I think I explained wrong just now: Bingo is for a full card and then you get a reward. You get one point per cross and if the card is full then you get extra 5 points. Sorry about that.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Board Activities.**
- Demi Acquoy:
 - General Meeting: The first one of the year and this one are online, so we didn't make any expenses on those. Due to this we lowered the amount of money we need and really hope the other three that will follow will be physical.
 - General Board Meeting: The same as the GM, the first two were online and I'm almost 100% sure that the third GBM will be online as well. We hope to host those meetings again with all the Chairs, Board and RVA in January.
 - External Relations: Since all our external meetings are online, we expect to make less investments in this. We hope to meet them in person in the second semester.
 - Board Gifts: Since a lot of Constitution Borrels are postponed to the second semester or cancelled, we expect to spend less money on this post.
 - Board Reimbursement: Since Board life is really expensive, there is an option for everyone of us in the Board to reimburse 100 euros to compensate those costs a bit.
 - Porto/Print/Board Costs: Is being financed from the School.
 - Home & Office General: Since we still work at the room, we still need equipment to make our board lives as official and professional as possible. What is a board without a stapler?
 - Fixed costs: This will be sorted out and presented to you at the GM in January, but it will be lower for sure.
 - Questions about Board Activities:
 - No questions.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Investments**
- Demi Acquoy:
 - Transaction Costs: Since a couple of our events are being cancelled, postponed or hosted online, we were able to lower this post as well. We'll continue paying the transaction costs until you can visit the room for real again. The transaction

costs are the costs we make to sell tickets online, in the room and with the iZettle.

- Promotion: Since we only print the poster for the Monthly Agenda and there are not a lot of big events that need to be promoted with paid promotion for Instagram and Facebook, this post could be lower as well. I will look into the PayPal account for this and will give you an update on this during the GM in January. Otherwise, I will use my own credit card for this.
- VSPVU-room: Since you can't enjoy the room until the new year, it's a bit sad if we are putting a lot of money in the room. We lowered this post as well, but still want to make some improvements.
- Website: This post has increased, since the minimal amount we had to spend on the website is €340 euros. We don't want to take a risk by keeping this post empty.
- Merchandise: Since everybody has to hand in some money, our beloved merchandise is also a victim here. We still want to make some merchandise, of course. We are working on the socks and underwear, to be continued.
- Misc. Investments: This is a post for random investments we want to make that don't fit the other posts. We lowered this as well.
- Member Initiative Budget: Do you have an idea that doesn't fit within your committee OR want to do something completely new? This budget is for you. We still wanted to give the members a chance to organize a fun activity outside their committees.
- Questions about Investments:
 - No questions.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Active Member Rewards.**
- Demi Acquoy:
 - GBM-outing: The idea was to host two GBM-outings, one in the beginning of the year and one at the end of the year. Due to Corona, we lowered this post, since the one in the beginning of the year is going to be very hard and we are meeting online a lot already. The GBM-outing is an event as a thank you from the Board to the Chairmen for their time and effort.
 - BOTC: No change in this. The winner of the BOTC will win a committee outing.
 - Committee Ten: Every committee member will get 10 euros to spend on a committee outing. Since we are missing 32 active members, we decided to aim for 80 active members in total. When there will be more active members, of course we will higher this again.
 - Active Member Clothing: Since there are less active members, our investment can be smaller as well. We are currently working on active member clothing and you will soon hear more about this.
 - Commitment Committee: Hopefully, you are participating very well today and the winner of this edition will win something fun. We didn't want to take away money from our participants.
 - Questions about Active Member Rewards:
 - No questions.
- **Demi Acquoy presents Totals.**
 - Questions about Totals:
 - Casper van Tongeren: There have been a couple of times where the totals don't add up, so I recommend to find a program where the numbers get added up properly, so that you don't have a gap somewhere in your budget suddenly.
 - Demi Acquoy: I will adjust it in the break and upload on the website in the right way.

- Casper van Tongeren: You said the budget for active member clothing will get higher once you exceed 80 active members. Don't just higher it, but make sure to change it so that you don't miss money later.
- Demi Acquoy: Do you mean for the committee ten?
- Casper van Tongeren: Yes, sorry.
- Demi Acquoy: Yes, okay, thank you. I was planning on doing that.

7. Voting

- Martijn van der Zee: Iris Doodeman will first explain the voting procedure
- **Iris Doodeman explains voting procedure**
- Adjusted Budget 2020-2021
 - In favor: 19
 - Against: 1
 - Neutral: 8

8. Rallycie Manual

- Martijn van der Zee: The concept of the Rallycie will be to organize a car trip to a location within 300 kilometers from Amsterdam that lasts for one weekend. During the car trip, students will travel together by car to assigned locations, where they do fun exercises and puzzles along the way. The completion of the exercises and puzzles needs to be confirmed by documenting this and sending it to the committee. In no way is this weekend about arriving at the location first. It is about being the best at the games along the way or at the stops on the route. The weekend will last from Friday morning until Sunday afternoon. The ticket price of the trip is aimed to be around €50,-. The prices for this are lower than for the Hitchhike Weekend, because no bus ride has to be provided back and the students will also get their own extra costs for gas. On the weekend, a maximum of 35 people can attend, including board members and committee members. Students are to arrange their own car and sign up as a group. On the authorization form, the group is to indicate whether any spots are left in the car and whether they are open to receiving other students in their car during the trip, so that students without a car also get the chance to join. To fill up the open spots in the cars, the preunion Borrel can be used to have students with available cars meet up with students without available cars and adopt each other as car partners if wanted. The costs for gas are for the students themselves and the students are expected to drive home themselves on Sunday. The students are obliged to be sober while driving at all times. The committee is responsible for providing a route to drive, activities along the way, activities during the weekend, a location to stay and viable options for parking. Besides the weekend, the committee also organizes a preunion borrel before the trip and a reunion borrel after the trip. The committee will consist of 6 people, namely a chairman, a secretary, a treasurer, a vice-chairman, sponsor coordinator and a promotion coordinator. During the trip, sober shifts are obliged within the committee at all times: one long shift and one short shift. At least one of the committee members on a sober shift needs to be in possession of a driver's license at all times.
 - Questions
 - Casper van Tongeren: One thing that is very serious is here is that people need to stay sober. I recommend to set up a contract that the people who will be driving have to sign. On an association level, there can then be consequences for people breaching this rule.
 - Michiel Smit: I agree with Casper van Tongeren to ensure safety on the ride.
 - Andrew de Ruiters: Maybe don't do a late party on Saturday because otherwise you don't help people to stay sober.

9. Webcie Manual

- Martijn van der Zee: The goal of the Webcie will be to reach students by providing them with interesting and entertaining media content online. This content will consist of at least 2 podcasts with experts in the psychology and/or pedagogical sciences work field (think of teachers and staff) and at least 2 visual interactive media content with members of the VSPVU, such as VSPVU reacts or interviews with members. For this academic year, the VSPVU invested part of its own budget in this committee, but the eventual goal is to get money from the School for this, as was the case with the Tranz. The committee is responsible for the provision of the media content mentioned above. The committee will ideally consist of 4 people with the following functions: chairman, secretary, treasurer and promotion coordinator. The secretary will be in charge of internal contacts and the treasurer will be responsible for external contacts in which there's also the opportunity to collect sponsor money from external companies that can be used for the budget. The promotion coordinator will also be the lead editor of the committee. From the secretary, treasurer and promotion coordinator, one committee member will be appointed vice-chairman.
 - o Questions:
 - Sjoerd van den Assem: In the manual it would state that there is an investment of VSPVU money and School money. For next year, you're not sure that you're going to invest in it. Would you then state this in the manual anyways? If in coming years, the own money would not be necessary anymore, then is it wise to put in the manual that you invest yourself?
 - Martijn van der Zee: This is not exactly what is stated in the manual, these are just bullet points that are not per say included in the manual.
 - Sjoerd van den Assem: Ah, okay, thank you.

10. Corona update

- Martijn van der Zee: I will update you as members about this. News from us going out regarding the COVID measures will go out through our social media accounts, so stay tuned on them for the information. Yesterday we had another press conference with new measures by the government. Unfortunately, we have not heard anything from the VU or the Faculty yet about what this will explicitly mean for us. I hope we hear these details tomorrow. We will update you with this information when we have it, just keep an eye on our social media. But I will give you a quick overview with the measures from the government and what that might mean for you as a member. The rules regarding quarantine have not changed, meaning that if you have symptoms or anything: Stay at home. Almost all events have been disallowed by the government. The only exception relevant to us are conventions; these are still allowed.
- Also, there is a maximum of 3 guests allowed at home. This will probably mean that all committee meetings for the foreseeable future must be held online. We as board will attend all committee meetings via Zoom. So if you have a committee consisting of 4, it is theoretically possible to meet up in person. Just think about the health risks yourself. The government recommends not to with a reason and also think about the "anti-travel advice". This will probably also mean that all our events in the upcoming four weeks will be cancelled or will be held online. The exact details will follow fairly quick, we haven't had time to have a board meeting after the press conference since it was yesterday. I hope you all understand this and know that we will notify you as soon as we have had time to evaluate things.
 - o Questions:
 - Andrew de Ruiter: On the website of *Rijksoverheid*, it says that there is an exception for having more than 4 people when operating for an association. We would then be one of the exceptions

- Martijn van der Zee: Okay, interesting. If that is the case, then it will be very good for us. Thanks for notifying us, we'll look at this. If the VU disallows us something, we still cannot host an activity, of course.

11. Idea Box

- Martijn van der Zee: I will now read out an idea that was inserted into our idea box.
"Want events? course you do! Want to run the association like normal? Who wouldn't! I have a solution; the Vackcie (Váckcie) a committee dedicated to curing the COVID-19 virus, in the meantime they work close to regulations and find out how members can be best protected so that we can begin hosting events that are made safe by the Vackcie!
you're welcome."
 - No questions.

12. Important Dates

- a. November 3: Active Member Day
- b. November 5: Welcome to Amsterdam
- c. November 12: Borrel #2

13. A.O.B.

14. Questions or Comments

15. Closing: 19:38.