TRANSCRIPT GENERAL MEETING #2 17/01/2023 18:00

1. Opening

Julia Horsmans opens the meeting at 18:38.

- 2. Announcements
 - Anaïs van Schalen will be late and will arrive at around 18:30.
 - Martijn van der Zee has to leave at 18.50.
 - Edmond Agabekian has to leave at 19.30.
 - Zygimantas Pupelis has to leave at 19.30.
 - Tristan Aker has to leave at 19.30.
 - Sten Smit has to leave at 19.30.
 - Isabel Bartelds has to leave at 19:45.
 - Andrei-Christian Mardale has to leave at 19.45.
 - Louisa Lapp has to leave at 20.00.
 - Sudem Esmer has to leave at 20.00.
 - Nil Yüksel cannot be here.
 - Demi Acqouy cannot be here.
 - Luise Schirrmann cannot be here.
 - Julia Horsmans: For this GM we have bingo! If you scan the following QR code you will get your own bingo card. If you have crossed off everything on your card you yell bingo. The first person to get bingo will receive a price!
 - Julia Horsmans: If I am going to sit down during the meeting please don't mind me. I have an injured knee.
- 3. Approval of Transcript
- 4. Approval of Agenda
 - Julia Horsmans: The presentation of and the voting on the Long-Term Plan was in the agenda and will be moved to the next General Meeting, February 28th. This is due to the fact that the 77th Board has not been able to give feedback on it.
- 5. Final Financial Statement 76th Board
 - Lucas Ehrlich: This is the final financial statement of the 76th Board. Current result is what we spent. Virtual result is what is expected to be spent. Budgeted result is how much VSPVU money was put aside. An asterix means the post is closed so no more expenses on that post.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Income.

- Lucas Ehrlich:

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Vu bookstore: We got less money than expected, probably because fewer students buy books. It's a shame.

Membership: We got more yearly contribution students than expected. We now have 22% (190) new bachelor members and 3% (24) master members. That means we have 64% (553) yearly contribution students.

Athena: We still didn't get our sponsor money. We have emailed, called, stalked people, so we really tried. We are expecting the money asap.

Bavaria: We got our set sponsor money which is 605 euros. (500 + VAT). We are still waiting on the rest of the sponsor money which will come later.

Sponsorship: We got money from Tentamentraingen, Aethon and Dressme, so we got more sponsor money than expected.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Board Activities.

- Lucas Ehrlich:

Active member day: Closed.

Active member weekend: We got the beer reimbursed from Bavaria, so this is the final result.

Constitution drink: Closed.

Transition weekend: Closed.

Mini-events: We spend our money. We got more emballage money back from Bavaria than expected, so 181, 38 goes to 77 mini events.

Board drinks: We got the invoice from Leentje for shots for Borrel zero.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Committees.

Lucas Ehrlich:

Actie: They overspend, because they sold fewer tickets than expected for their belly dance class.

Barcie: They made a profit with their last Barcie because they still had a lot of liquor leftover from their last Barcie and a lot of people showed up.

Chronicles: Closed.

Congrescie: Closed.

Feestcie: The Feestcie had an intro week party. They didn't sell all their tickets.

Illusie: They had their illusie weekend at Koog aan de Zaan and they also had a sports day and borrel the day before in Amsterdam. The post isn't closed yet, because some last things still need to be checked.

Lex: They didn't have their last event.

Lucie: Closed.

Opcie: Closed.

Ouderdagcie: Closed.

Pedcie: They spent the last of their money on their kindertelefoon event and had pizzas afterward. They tried to spend all their money.

Wintersportcie: Closed.

Flexpot: Closed.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Board Expenses.

- Lucas Ehrlich:

General board meeting: Closed.

General meeting: We got dinner and one round of drinks for the GM in September, and didn't spend all our money.

External relations: The invoice for the SPSNIP event came in and we didn't spend everything.

External gifts: Closed.

Gift for other boards: Closed.

Board reimbursement: Closed.

Porto/print/board costs: We got a lot of stickers for 77 with the leftover money.

Home and office general: We got some things for 77 over the summer.

Fixed costs: We kept this post open after September, but there weren't any unexpected bills.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Investments.

- Lucas Ehrlich:

Transaction cost: We used this for the Zettle, Mollie, Pinmachine and Paypal transaction costs.

Promotion: We got our last posters.

VSPVU-room: We got new towels for the room.

Website: Closed.

Merchandise: Closed.

Misc. investments: Closed.

Member initiative budget: The money wasn't used after all.

- Julia Horsmans: Is everyone aware of the member initiative?
- Lucas Ehrlich: The member initiative is for members that want to organise an event. If you have an idea and you need budget and our help to realise it you can apply. Previous member initiatives were hess tournaments, human jenga and rum tasting.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Active Member Rewards.

- Lucas Ehrlich

GBM outing: Closed.

Battle of the committees: We got a gift card for an escape room for the Illusie.

Committee ten: Closed.

Active member clothing: Closed.

Extra rewards: We got active member certificates and some small gifts for member wellbeing.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Totals.

- Lucas Ehrlich:

Unforeseen: After our constitution borrel we got a bill for some broken glasses. We also lost 2 active member sweaters, so we had to order new ones. And there was no mop at AMW, so we had to buy one to clean. We also got a new flag, because the old one was stolen. It is 181,97 in total.

We move on from the Financial Statement of the 76th Board.

6. Update on Policy Plan

Julia Horsmans presents Committee Development.

- Julia Horsmans: All committees are so far still on track to meet their requirements.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What happened with the Sportcie event?
- David Geraedts: Due to some circumstances we discussed that there were a few factors that played an
 important role. We had only one day where we could rent the sports centre, which was on the 5th of December
 which is Sinterklaas. With our promotion we tried to use humour but some international students that did not
 know the sport didn't know what it was about. With the sign up form we asked to sign up with the maximum
 of 2 people. People thought they could only sign up with 2 people.
- Kirsten Göbel: You cancelled Balie. Will there be something like a Chillcie?
- Julia Horsmans: We have brainstormed some ideas however at this point in the year it is out of our power to set up a whole new committee.
- Simon Westhoff: I have a question for Kirsten Göbel. What do you miss about Balie?
- Kirsten Göbel: It is more like for me I am not sure what I will do next year. I want to be in a committee but not that active. I talked to others that wanted to be in Balie and wanted to be active but not active.
- Simon Westhoff: To provide some context. Balie used to be your bookselling committee. It consisted of around 20 people selling books in the bookstore. After talking about it with the last Board, we decided to cancel the committee.
- Julia Horsmans: Basically it was not beneficial since there were barely any books sold in the bookstore. So people would be sitting in the bookstore doing nothing. We have the opinion that if you are an active member you should be putting some effort in the association. Some people could think it is unfair to not make any effort and still get the benefits.
- Simon: The discussion about Balie has been talked about for the previous years and we were talking about how to address the issue. We feel like Balie is missing. We are working on how to improve that more communal feeling that Balie did provide.
- Anaïs van Schalen: How is the Reiscie doing?
- Julia Horsmans: Very good. As a contact person I can say it is going really well.
- Simon Westhoff: We also got rid of Balie so we could bring back other committees like Sportcie and Reiscie.

Julia Horsmans presents Communication.

- Julia Horsmans: There has been an English translation added to the website under 'documents'. As you can see, it is stated that the English version is non binding and should be treated as such.

Julia Horsmans presents Members.

Membership

- Julia Horsmans: Three reminder emails have been sent regarding these new terms. One was last year, by the 76th Board, and the two emails following were sent by the 77th Board.

New Members

- Julia Horsmans: We currently have 165 new bachelor members and 24 masters. We cannot say anything about if our goals will be met by the end of the year, but looking at the trends of the past year, we are afraid that these numbers will not be met. This is mostly due to the fact that we are not doing any summary sales anymore. People don't buy as many physical books anymore, and those who do, often don't sign up to become members. We have now started a new procedure with the bookstore where people can automatically sign up for the VSPVU in the bookstore.

Committee Picture

- Julia Horsmans: As one of the Route 77 challenges, we have asked committees to forward us a picture of the whole committee, however we did not receive pictures of all the committees, so we are not able yet to hang up pictures of everyone. We came to the conclusion that we need to approach this point in a different way.
- Isa Witteman: We do have frames. Just not the pictures.
- Mandy Schunselaar: Why don't you put out the pictures you already have to get some motivation to the committees that have not yet.

Julia Horsmans presents Involvement and Events.

Room Opening Hours

- Julia Horsmans: The hours have been followed as stated.

GM Bingo

- Julia Horsmans: As you have noticed in front of you, the GM Bingo is back in the game!

Speelkwartier (recess)

- Julia Horsmans: Recess is not going as well as we expected it to. We believe this is due to the fact that this is a new concept and people are not familiar with the term "recess". We did in fact have a recess every Friday however turnout was not that great. We did have one as you hopefully noticed from the promotion that has been going out.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I was wondering how much promotion you put out?
- Isa Witteman: Normally once a week.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Normally?
- Isa Witteman: For example before the Christmas break we did a two day recess to get out the alcohol we still had open. So we did a little more promo. But usually it is once a week..
- Danique Pater: Friday in the room for Kasco check it didn't look like you were ready for Recess. Maybe if people come they would leave early. And maybe send a message in the group chat as well.

- Julia Horsmans: Thank you.
- Andrzej Nowak: First and second years don't have classes on Friday so maybe that results in low attendance. Maybe it could be on another day?
- Julia Horsmans: The concept of Recess is Friday afternoon drinks. If we would adjust Recess every period depending on the schedules there could be much confusion on the concept of Recess. However you could still come by any other day.

Member Initiative

- Julia Horsmans: This Friday we will have our first Shark Tank evening where people can present their ideas for a member initiative. You can pitch them to other members and members of the Board. So for those of you who have an interest in pitching an idea, feel free to join us on friday!
- Anaïs van Schalen: Did you ever promote what it is? Right now you are saying do you know? I can imagine there are people that don't know.
- Isa Witteman: It is on the instagram feed. It is in the description.
- Sudem Esmer: Can other members listen to other people's ideas?
- Julia Horsmans: Yes, definitely. And if people don't feel comfortable pitching in front of others it is always possible to come to one of us or send an email to keep it more discreet.
- Selin Elcheik: Could you explain or give more examples of member initiatives? To people that don't know what it could be it could look scary. Could it also be a borrel theme idea?
- Karlo Welch: Previous ones it was alcohol tasting events, wine, whiskey tastings. Anything that requires budget and time. Any activity you think others might enjoy could be an option.
- Julia Horsmans: Possibilities are endless.

Member Opinion

- Julia Horsmans: We have been using multiple polls already this year, for example Movie Night and about a musical AIDA.

Introduction Event for Master Students

- Julia Horsmans: On October 9th, we had our Master Borrel. We heard that a lot of people wanted to attend but weren't able to due to work for example. Therefore attendance was lower than expected. We will discuss a potential second one since a lot of people wanted to come.

Route 77

- Julia Horsmans: LAst week's GBM we released the third round of challenges and we will release even more in february. So far so good. We have not received cars of every committee yet, however we do already have a leaderboard that is currently shown during GBM's. Committees that don't have a car yet get presented with their logo.
- Olivera Mietlicz: We sent in our car, but our logo was used instead of our car.
- Julia Horsmans: Where did you send it?
- Isa Witteman: I went through the Route 77 gmail. I didn't see your car. You can still send it and for the next leaderboard it will be there.

- Isabel Bartelds: Have you already added the scoreboard to instagram?
- Isa Witteman: Yes.
- Adam Saidi El Hadri: Can you specify the points you will get for each action? Now we didn't know how much to do.
- Julia Horsmans: Yes.
- Kirsten Göbel: I was thinking maybe put the points in the scoreboard so you can see how many points the difference is.
- Isa Witteman: Noted.
- Laura Kirin: I think not putting the points would be more beneficial because it would motivate committees to do challenges more because you cannot see how far behind you are.
- Dylan Ingelse: On the other hand it might be motivation to see the points if you see you are only 10 points behind.
- Adam Saidi El Hadri: Are we allowed as active members to know our own score? So it is not a secret?
- Isa Witteman: No, it is not a secret.
- Adam Saidi El Hadri: Maybe you can ask in your group what the scores are and compare the other ones.

Committee Sponsor

- Julia Horsmans: Chronicles, Reiscie and Wintersportcie currently have a sponsor, and we are working on getting the other committees a list of sponsors.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What are the sponsors of the committees?
- Simon Westhoff: For Chronicles it is iPractice and Uitendaal Coaching. They found them through personal connections. Reisicie has a contract with Tapmarin. Wintersportcie has a contract with Hotshots.

Alumni

- Julia Horsmans: The Alumni Borrel is in our year schedule and we are very busy with writing and constructing our Newsletters.

Julia Horsmans presents Sustainability.

- Julia Horsmans: We have not invested or purchased and single use plastic. Including plastic plates, cups, balloons, garlands, etcetera.
 - For the use of paper, as you noticed. Both the Bingo Cards and the voting sheet that will be tested later on during this GM, will be/are online and thus, no paper.
 - Our bin for deposit money has been in use for a while! We have also organised our sustainability-related event, which was VSPVintage.
- Lotta Heijnen: Are you going to bring back your trash can for cans? It was gone when I was in the room
- Isa Witteman: We hid, it from the cleaners because they empty it. Now it is between the desk and the couch.
- Lotta Heijnen: Tell your members because I didn't see it.
- Dylan Ingelse: Maybe just put a giant do not empty sign on it.

- Julia Horsmans: Great tip. Thank you.
- Danique Pater: It is usually cleaned by the same person right?
- Julia Horsmans: There are 3 different cleaners.
- Olivera Mietlicz: Why did you print out the financial statements because it was on the board?
- Lucas Ehrlich: Those were the financial statements of the previous Board. Within our part of the policy plan our financial audit will get it to take notes and other members can request a printed version.
- Laura Kirin: We are still far away from Congrescie. I assume we need to apply that. Can we get instructions?
- Esmee Blankers: Instructions: don't buy single use plastic. And I will always be there to help you.
- Adam Saidi El Hadri: How serious is it? Are we not even allowed to use plastic decorations? What is the priority: Reusable or not using any?
- Julia Horsmans: We will not be purchasing. Everything already bought or in storage you can use.
- Esmee Blankers: And you can buy things that we can reuse.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Are you going to release merch and if so how is it going with making it sustainable?
- Lucas Ehrlich: In the first instance we made a budget for making some merch. But looking in storage we still have enough merch so we will not be making any new merch.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What does storage look like?
- Julia Horsmans: Extremely neat.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Nice. I am happy with that.

Julia Horsmans presents Policy Continuation.

- Julia Horsmans: We are starting with the blog posts now. Simultaneously with our Candidate Board Procedures.
- Lucas Ehrlich: I have a question for the 76th Board. Couple months ago the roles were switched. The process was long from May until September. What would you have done differently?
- Anaïs van Schalen: Start on time. I started promoting in January. Even then you will still be really late with
 everything because of applications. You can't control that. Think of what you are going to do. What if everyone
 applies at the last minute. Think about transition weekend. Just pick a date. You are already with six. I have
 some other things but I have to think about it.
- Lotta Heijnen: Start forming a committee for your Candidate Board interviews and planning. Start it now instead of in May.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Sonia Erbé Gómez, she came up with a plan and thought about everything that was needed. She set deadlines and I suggest one of you does that too. It is a lot and it is really easy to lose track of everything that needs to be done. Time goes way faster than you expect it to. Have one person around this time look at it.
- Isa Witteman: Thank you.

Committee Ten

- Julia Horsmans: Almost all of the committees have their outing planned within 3 weeks!

Julia Horsmans presents Health and Safety.

- Julia Horsmans: We are working very hard on our Social Safety document, it is currently still a draft, however we aim for this document to be finished, presented, and voted on during the General Meeting in june. We have appointed 3 student confidants.
- Anaïs van Schalen: How is it going?
- Julia Horsmans: It is a lot of work. Since we are with 6 there are 6 different opinions and ambitions. So it takes more effort than we are expecting to.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Do you feel like you are making progress?
- Julia Horsmans: Yes.
- Isabel Bartelds: WIII there be different confidants every year or will some stay the same?
- Melissa Sier: Some boards do have a person who stays their student confidants for years. It is nice to have a familiar face.
- Isabel Bartelds: Yes. I think it is nice if at least one person is.
- Melissa Sier: We haven't discussed it yet. But it is a good idea.
- Simon Westhoff: I think it does state in some documents that one of the social safety people has to be a current board member so it would change.
- Danique Pater: Today would have been a wonderful time to introduce them. We know Melissa Sier. But a lot of people don't know Ana or Daan. The barrier would be lower. So maybe for the next one.
- Simon Westhoff: To answer Anaïs' questions. We had two sit downs with the 6 of us to look at the draft. We have also looked at the plan you presented last year. We are not sure if we will continue building on that. We also try to include as many of the free resources that are available.
- Zygimantas Pupelis: I would recommend looking at the comments in the General Meeting and not the draft.
- Isa Witteman: We already did.

Flexibility for Events

- Julia Horsmans: Barcie is planning an extra event which will not be a typical Barcie.

Promotion

- Julia Horsmans: Regarding the physical calendar; a new one for 2024 has been ordered. It has not been delivered yet. The 77th Board has done way more than 4 lecture talks; 17 to be precise.
- Danique Pater: First of all kudos for getting this many people to show up, compared to the other General Meetings. One thing for sending the email invitations. It was only sent to the active members but maybe you can send it to all the members?
- Anaïs van Schalen: I noticed on instagram that there is a lot of promo not posted two weeks in advance. Ski trip 3 days before sign up opens.
- Isa Witteman: There was a lot of chaos with the wintersport committee. They didn't have the budget approved. They didn't have promo. Eventually we made the promo.
- Lucas Ehrlich: There were complications with the promo of the Wintersportcie. Personal issues.
- Simon Westhoff: I think in general it has been a transition with the whole process of promotion. Last year the coordinators had indesign themselves. Now there is a lot more communication and that leads to a lot of

questions. That has been a learning process for the Board and the promotion coordinators. They have been doing a good job in general and also Isa with the posters that she makes.

- Isa Witteman: I agree but I also don't really agree. I have stated during the training I need everything 4 weeks in advance and I don't. With some committees it keeps happening.
- Danique Pater: When I did a Board year we punished them by not posting and then the events failed. And they all handed in their promotion very much on time.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Aren't we end responsible for all our events so if we let an event fail is a bad image for the whole association.
- Danique Pater: Fair but you can cancel the event. It can suck for one time but then it won't happen again.
- Simon Westhoff: Talking about promotion it is also very dependent on the budgeting. Other associations release teaser promotions or save the date before the budget is approved. That might be something to look into.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What do you think of the new system?
- Isa Witteman: I think it is really nice actually. Posters are done in 10 minutes. I have overall great communication with the committees on what they want and what is manageable. It just costs less time to do everything. For example you had to feedback their posters, they had to implement it, you feedbacked again, etc. Which took a long time. And now it takes less time than that so I think it is a really great idea.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Why does it say 'buurtwerk' on the vspvu instagram page?
- Simon Westhoff: It translated to community organisation.
- Isa Witteman: But maybe I will change it then.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Not about promotion. I thought you were going to have a contract with Chupitos for the borrels but I am not sure?
- Julia Horsmans: Chupitos was one of our potential sponsors. However we went for the most beneficial which was not Chupitos.
- Zygimantas Pupelis: How does it work with the sponsorship of Hotshots for the Wintersportcie as well as the Board.
- Simon Westhoff: We don't have a contract as a Board with Hotshots. Wintersportcie has a contract with them that includes 3 borrels. Next to the Wintersportcie borrels there is a Board one on thursday.
- Julia Horsmans: We decided on letting Board do the third borrel at Hotshots to not have an extra borrel in the year schedule.
- Zygimantas Pupelis: Is the Board planning to have an additional contract with a new place or continue working with Hotshots for the rest of the year?
- Simon Westhoff: We are always keeping our options open.

External

- Julia Horsmans: We have attended 21 Constitutional Drinks and have been to 5 sister associations. We have bonded extremely well with MFVU and VIB and have indeed attended their borrels.

- Simon Westhoff: We have also organised a ganbuurtjesborrel, together with the VIB and MFVU. It was a great success. We also organise activities together with SSPN and LOOP. LOOP is the national association for pedagogical sciences. We are going on a members trip this friday.

Idea Box

- Julia Horsmans: Following this point exactly as stated in our policy plan.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Julia Horsmans: Following this point exactly as stated in our policy plan.
- 7. Update on Financial Statement

Lucas Ehrlich presents Income.

Lucas Ehrlich: For Membership we started off the year strong with 165 new bachelor members and 24 masters, we expect to still get some more members but not achieve the full goal, thus the expected income shall be lowered for the next budget.

Sponsorship: we got a sponsorship with Studytree, we expect to receive more from the companies we usually work with in the following months. Simon is currently working on 3 new sponsor deals

Bank account interest: we received 139.05 for the previous months, so a revaluation of this post will be done for the upcoming budget.

- Danique Pater: For Simon Westhoff. I am really concerned about the sponsorship money. We are halfway through the year and there is only 70 euros. Your main task is to get sponsorships so how is it possible that after 6 months you only got one sponsor deal.
- Simon Westhoff: To put the budget into some context. We have 3 outstanding invoices. That's 330 euros. Those should be paid within the next two weeks. In terms of our main sponsors. We budgeted for TentamenTrainingen. Did we expect to receive more? My answer would be yes. It has been a steep learning curve. From reaching out to the aftercare. It is difficult. I feel like I am handling the process much better now. First I had some problems with acquisition and then reached out to too many sponsors. There was a sponsor and I didn't respond to their email over the Christmas break and we lost out on that. I spend more time in committee involvement in collaboration with other parties. We got our sponsors for Wintersportcie and Reiscie as well. And Chronicles. I am proud of the work I did there. We and SPSNIP are setting up a networking event. LOOP are setting up a masters event. I did expect to receive more sponsors and money. I definitely feel like I am handling the process better now. I can say anything about the results at the end of the year but I am feeling confident about my current approach. If anyone has some feedback I would appreciate that.
- Danique Pater: There is no such thing as approaching too many sponsors, because if you get millions it would be great. I think it is quite unacceptable that you don't respond. It is your task as a Board member. As a Board member you have to do it during the holiday as well. I think that is unacceptable. Especially if this is the result.
 If you have 10k it would be ok. Especially since the previous board had over 2000. They did not have a Board member that was supposed to coordinate that. If they could do it with 4 as a side task, you on your own could get double or triple. Committees have their own member that deals with sponsors. I don't get how that influences the Board's sponsors. Most companies have a budget and they all spend it at the beginning because that is when associations contact them. I don't think you are going to make it. You should be already at three quarters.
- Simon Westhoff: What I meant with the committee involvement is that we specifically stated in policy is that we would have committee sponsors and that I would actively help them. It wasn't meant as an excuse.

- Danique Pater: I get that but your own Board shouldn't suffer from that. That is your main task, to get sponsors for the Board. I have not heard a good answer as to why there are no sponsors.
- Lucas Ehrlich: In Simon Westhoff's defence. He has been very engaged with externals of the committees. In previous years there was one sponsor for all the committees. Simon Westhoff has achieved 8 times this amount of money. With the ones we still have open. I assume that 400 is already covered by TentamenTraining. And with the reevaluation of the budget we would find a good solution.
- Danique Pater: I think you are going to be in trouble at the next General Meeting. You are not making a lot of
 money with membership and sponsors. You are missing thousands of euros. You are not doing a good job
 money wise at this moment. Do with what you want but Lucas Ehrlich is going to be the person with a problem
 if the others don't do their shit. I would love to help you out, but let your RVA and Kasco know you are
 struggling because that is why they are here.
- Simon Westhoff: I think if there is one thing I would want to improve on and something that the previous Board did is finding bigger sponsors. Fewer but that gives us more money. Aethon for example. I could improve on that right now. And sitting down with Lucas more because we do have a lot more overarching tasks. See where we can fill in the holes.
- Danique Pater: I think you are too late already but please try. Otherwise you have to cancel events.
- Lotta Heijnen: About the bank account interest. You have more than you budgeted for. Are you going to change it?
- Lucas Ehrlich: Yes I mentioned I will change it for the new budget.
- Lotte Heijnen: For VU Bookstore. Do you think you are going to make money? Looking at my final financial statement.
- Lucas Ehrlich: I am taking into account the money from VU Bookstore for the previous year. Do not expect to make the virtual result. This is due to the books becoming more redundant.
- Lotta Heijnen: Maybe you can look into this for the next General Meeting.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Board Activities.

- Lucas Ehrlich: Active member day: It was a lot of fun. We went to VRA cricket and spent money on drinks, dinner, games and decorations. We had lower expenses than expected due to VRA cricket being generous with their location and part of the drinks not being consumed, due to delay in administration with Bavaria the money is not returned yet. The leftover money from AMD will be allocated to AMW. Once the remaining drinks are paid back this post will be closed.

Active member weekend: We paid for the location.

Constitution drink: It was a great success 27 boards showed up. We spent money on location and drinks.

Board drinks: we did 2 rounds of shots for everyone during our wta mini event

Food and beverages + mini events are still very unclear posts. We're still waiting for 2001 in beer and special beer to be reimbursed. We still have quite some stock leftover. 1400 in emballage has to also be sent back. There will be a change in these posts for the next budget, there will be a separate post for emballage. Nonetheless we had quite some nice mini events, including: master borrel, welcome to Amsterdam, tosti-Tuesday, waffle Wednesday, study sessions, VSPVintage, a few recess sessions. Gangbuurtjesborrel, movie night, borrel 1, workshop academic writing and meet the committees.

- Lotta Heijnen: What are you going to do with the leftover money from Active Member Day?

- Lucas Ehrlich: It will be reallocated to Active Member Weekend.
- Lotta Heijnen: And the Constitution Borrel?
- Lucas Ehrlich: We are still waiting for one payment.
- Danique Pater: I would not allocate it to Active Member WEekend but to the missing membership and sponsorship. If you save money. Don't spend it anywhere else but spend it on filling the blanks.
- Lucas Ehrlich: I have not yet had time to look at the budget for General Board Meeting. I am expecting for the sponsor money to only be 25% of the missing money in the next budget.
- Dylan Ingelse: About the food and beverages. The difference is 2,500. You said you are getting 1400 back. Is the other 1100 euros stuff that needs to be sold? It is not adding up.
- Lucas Ehrlich: There is 200 litre beer that still needs to be reimbursed. 1400 in emballage. And that accounts for the full price.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What did you spend on Active Member Weekend already?
- Lucas Ehrlich: Location. I think I mentioned it.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Committees.

- Lucas Ehrlich: Actie had their first event which went pretty well, they only used 8.06 of their budget, so this gives them room to spend some more on future events.

Barcie had a great start with their first event making 155.54.- profit, this should even out with the coming Barcies.

Congrescie received their faculty money from the previous year no expenses yet

Lex had their first event which sold pretty well. They had some snacks and gifts for the speakers, they only spent 5.61 of their budget leaving them with a nice budget for their following lectures + excursion.

Pedcie: pedcie 1 happened they sold 135 tickets they used 38.5 of their budget. They donated their income to "het vergeten kind". They deserve a little applause.

- Reiscie: Reiscies budget has been approved and they have booked their bus tickets
- Lotta Heijnen: Why did the Sportcie make money while they cancelled their event?
- Lucas Ehrlich: There were tickets sold for the event and they were not reimbursed yet.
- David Geraedts: Is it more budget?
- Lucas Ehrlich: Nothing changes to your budget. The people that bought their ticket will get their money back and this will go back to zero.
- Danique Pater: Do you have an idea with flexpot? We are already halfway through the year.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Good point. It has been promoted to the committees on how to use it. There has been one proposition made. It will be made official. It was a good idea so money will be spent on it. With flexpot is is better to use it for later complications in the year. Committees with larger events at the end of the year could need the money most.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Board Expenses.

- Lucas Ehrlich: General Meeting: Today's General Meeting's food is not processed in bookkeeping yet.

General Board Meeting: We bought snacks for the General Board Meetings they are not all processed in the bookkeeping yet

External gifts: we went to a total of 21 Constitution Drinks

Board reimbursement: 4 board members received their reimbursement.

Porto print board costs: The board outfits were paid and a few printings.

Home and office general: Paper tabs for the bookkeeping were purchased

Fixed costs: Fixed costs are spread out over our website insurance and payment methods, some of these are wrongly labelled and shall be switched to transaction costs.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Investments.

Lucas Ehrlich: Transactions costs: 52.42 has been spent on paypal mollie and the pin machine also known as Peter.

Vspvu room: We bought a board game so don't hesitate to come and play a game.

- Karlo Welch: Did you say mollie?
- Simon Westhoff: Mollie is a payment option.
- Selin Elcheik: How come you guys only spend 22 euros on the room when you have a new couch?
- Simon Westhoff: I got the couch for free from my dads girlfriend.
- Danique Pater: Since all of the posters are under reporter. What are you doing with 150?
- Isa Witteman: Since we are using a corrupt version of indesign. Indesign knows we are using a fake and they keep crashing. And people have problems installing indesign especially chronicles where this is important. So Andrew de Ruiter will come and fix it all for us again. There is the money going.
- Danique Pater: Did you get your dad's girlfriend something? Reimburse it.
- Dylan Ingelse: The Feestcie investment for the gala. Shouldn't it be under committee or like Lucie?
- Lucas Ehrlich: You have a good point. We added this post at 3.30 am. As Feestcie made a profit on the promo this post might be scrapped in the new budget.
- Danique Pater: A tip. Maybe it is a good idea to under your bank accounts make different savings folders for all the investments. Sometimes I struggle to look at all the budgets.
- Julia Horsmans: You can only make 3 savings folders on ING.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Good point. But not sure how it will affect bank interest. Considering multiple sources owe us money, it might not be possible to track down all the investments and categorise them. Faculty hasn't paid what they owe us.
- Danique Pater: There is enough on the savings account right? I don't think it should matter.
- Lucas Ehrlich: I don't think so.
- Lotta Heijnen: We can look into it.
- Olivera Mietlicz: You said you are at ING. There are more sustainable things and they don't invest in weapons and it is way more ethical. It is quite easy to switch.

- Danique Pater: You are right but it costs so much money to switch banks and the ING takes 6 months to process any file. It will take more than a year to arrange it and costs you so much money. I was strongly advised not to do it due to financial reasons.
- Olivera Mietlicz: Why would it cost money? I switched this year.
- Danique Pater: The more money is on your account the more it costs. The more money you have I think they just want to keep you so it will not be easy to switch.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Active Member Rewards.

- Lucas Ehrlich: Active member clothing: The hoodies were purchased but the incasso from the members was today this is why there is -1923.68 on this post.
- Lotta Heijnen: Don't forget to promote your committee 10.
- Lucas Ehrlich: We have been promoting it over the past month and most committees have planned it.
- Julia Horsmans: February 25th is the deadline for the committee 10.

Lucas Ehrlich presents Totals.

- Lucas Ehrlich: Any questions or comments?
- Lotta Heijnen: Did you spend anything on unforeseen costs yet?
- Lucas Ehrlich: I would have to look at it.
- Julia Horsmans: I broke the lid of the pan today, which might be unforeseen.
- 8. Idea box

Julia Horsmans reads out the ideas in the Idea Box.

- Julia Horsmans: 'Make a beer poster of the entire board, but as 1 person. So for example Esmee's leg, Lucas' chest, etc.'
- Selin Elcheik: What would you make?
- Isa Witteman: Like a sexy poster with beer.
- Danique Pater: Would you sell those? Think if you want to be sold on a sexy picture.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Better Beer'
- Dylan Ingelse: Yes.
- Julia Hrosmans: If you get us money for it we can discuss it.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Making gingerbread houses'. We have done this.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Mugshots of the members on the wall'. There was something similar to this last year. We want to be original so we are not going to do it. Thank you for the idea.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Get a new table'. We have different opinions within our Board. We are not sure if we want it. It is very spacious in the room right now.
- Simon Westhoff: Maybe a bit too spacious. Personally I would like a table for your beer.
- Karlo Welch: It is nice to have a little table.

- Esmee Blankers: We will discuss it.
- Dylan Ingelse: It would be nice to have a place to play games. Now you are missing that.
- Lucas Ehrlich: It fits under the right idea of making the board part more accessible for everyone. Feel free to come in and play a game on the table.
- David Geraedts: I think you can consider buying a table you can fold out. You can put it away and take it out when you want to play a game.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Dear 77th Board. On this sunny day we ran into a little problem. We would like to go Swimming and enjoy leisure activities. BUT! We noticed we do not have any balls. (Football ball, Volleyball ball, American football ball, basketball ball etc...). Could you invest in sporting equipment so that VSPVU people could engage in sports and help their mental and physical health. Kind regards, Sad, out of shape members + Physico.
- Mandy Schunselaar: It would be a nice investment for Illusie weekend and Active Member Weekend to bring. Not all locations have them.
- Julia Horsmans: 'Invent a staple VSPVU cocktail'
- Isa Witteman: We will discuss this!
- Julia Horsmans: Soocie. It is an idea for a committee to replace Balie. We will discuss it and maybe you will hear more about it.
- Kirsten Göbel: I still think that Chillcie is the better name.
- 9. Important Dates
 - a. January 18 Borrel #2
 - Simon Westhoff: It is at Hotshots from 21:00. First 40 people get a free beer. The theme is your childhood dream job.
 - Kirsten Göbel: Is the Feestcie going to be February 15th.
 - Isa Witteman: Yes.
 - b. February 5 Information Evening Candidate Board
 - Julia Hormans: More information on our socials.
 - c. February 21 GBM #5
 - Julia Horsmans: All the chairs need to be there.
 - d. February 28 GM #3
 - Isa Witteman: Also for the General Meeting all chairs need to be there. It is mandatory.
 - Julia Horsmans: You can earn points for Route 77 if you attend with half of your committee.
 - e. April 12-14 Active Member Weekend (AMW)
 - Julia Horsmans: Block this weekend. It is going to be really really fun.
 - Dylan Ingelse: When will we hear more about Active Member Weekend?

- Isa Witteman: Soon.

10. A.O.B.

- 11. Questions or Comments
 - Olivera Mietlicz: Can we still get half the points for the previous Route 77?
 - Julia Horsmans: Yes.
 - Karlo Welch: Considering the turnout I am very impressed this is done before 10.
 - Isa Witteman: Thank you all for coming. I appreciate the amount of people showing up.
 - Simon Westhoff: Shoutout to all the committees and chairs that have dragged their committees here. I still remember my first General Meeting. I didn't understand anything. I am happy I joined. I learned a lot about the association. We are really glad you guys came and asked questions.
- 12. Closing

Julia Horsmans closes the meeting at 21.16.