

GENERAL MEETING #4

11/06/2025 - 18:00 - MF-A415

1. Opening

Dylan Ingelse opens the meeting at 18:17.

2. Announcements

Leaving early:

Mandy Schunselaar leaves at 22:00.

Nora Opschoor leaves at 00:30.

Maeve Hermers has to leave at 00:30.

Miles van Rossum has to leave at 22:00.

Laura Kirin has to leave at 23:00

Arriving late:

Mandy Schunselaar within 20 minutes

Boaz Emanuels before 19:00

Žygimantas Pupelis before 19:00

Authorizing:

Nora Opschoor authorizes Robyn Bernhard in her absence.

Laura Kirin authorizes Mabel van Gent in her absence.

Mandy Schunselaar authorizes Anaïs van Schalen in her absence.

Maeve Hermers authorizes Seliina Grath in her absence.

Miles van Rossum and Žygimantas Pupelis authorizes Edmond Agabekian in his absence.

Mat authorizes Dylan Ingelse in his absence.

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So for the votes:

Two votes: Robyn Bernhard, Mabel van Gent, Anaïs van Schalen, Seliina Grath, Dylan Ingelse

Three votes: Edmond Agabekian

Approval of Transcript

Approved.

4. Approval of Agenda

Approved.

5. Candidate Board

- Dylan Ingelse: During this part questions can be asked to the 79th Candidate Candidate Board. Also Mat Goris has made a video introducing himself and is calling in. This is due to a holiday that he is on in Korea that has been planned for a long time. Due to this reason Mat Goris will not be voted in this General Meeting #4 but there will be a vote at the next General Meeting #1 when he can be present physically. During General Meeting #1 there is also an extra opportunity to ask him questions.
- Kirsten Göbel: To the current Board, I was wondering why we cannot know positions? Because I do not think everyone fits in every position, so now we do not know what we vote the Candidate Board in on.
- Edmond Agabekian: Standard procedure.
- Anne Bruggink: We do it like this every year.
- Dylan Ingelse: You can ask every question you want, so you can also ask questions about specific roles, but they might not be able to set things in stone. At this point we cannot do it yet, so it's better to do it like this right now.
- Miles van Rossum: I wanted to mention, I do not think the best answer is like this is how we do it always, it's not the best reason to not consider other options. So if you get given your positions or not yet, they both have merit, I feel like, so something to think about.
- Dylan Ingelse: Okay thank you. I will give the floor to the 79th Candidate Board!!
- Stephanie Hennekens: I am Stephanie Hennekens, 20 years old and I am currently in my second year of psychology and my second year as an active member. Last year I was promotion coordinator of Reiscie, this year I was chair of Barcie. In my free time I am a big movie nerd, I'm really into music, politics and I try to go to the gym from time to time.
- India Bartelings: My name is India Bartelings, I am 24 years old, I am a second year pedagogical science student and I am applying to be part of the the 79th Boardth candidate Board of the Vereniging voor Studenten Psychologie en Pedagogiek aan de Vrije Universiteit te Amsterdam. Currently I am busy as chair of the Pedcie and in my spare time I like to row, read, go to museums and hang out with friends. I want to apply for the Board, because I got a lot out of my membership at the VSPVU (I've met a lot of amazing people) and I want to give back to the association. I also have a lot of experience and ideas that I think could help the VSPVU. On top of that I want to challenge myself and learn what it takes to be a successful Board.
- Seliina Grath: My name is Seliina Grath, I'm 21 years old, I am from Denmark and I am applying to be part of the 79th Candidate Board of the association for students psychology and pedagogical sciences at Vrije Universiteit te Amsterdam. I'm currently a first year psychology student going into my second year. Other than studying, I like to read, I love going to concerts, I try to go to the gym often, and I of course like to spend time with my friends.
- Maeve Hermers: Hi, I am Maeve Hermers and I am 19 years old and I am applying to be a part of the 79th Candidate Board of the VSPVU. Right now I am a first year psychology student and I am on my way to my second year. This past year I was the promotion coordinator and vice-chair of the Reiscie.
- Mat Goris: Video.
- Kirsten Göbel: Could you tell me your motivation to become Board?

- Seliina Grath: Because of Reiscie which I really enjoyed. I could feel that I wanted more instead of being part of a committee. Also because I think I could learn so much from it, the organisational part, how you work under pressure, in a team. There is so much to learn and I wanted to do more so I thought this was a good opportunity
- Maeve Hermers: I want to learn more and I think with the Board I can do a lot of learning that you cannot do as a chair. I applied for the Board because I think I can be a big asset to the association and I want to be a bigger part of the association.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I have had fun in the past two years, as Promotion Coordinator and Chair. I felt that doing tasks for VSPVU has always been fun, never having to search for motivation which is a sign I should pursue this on a higher level. I am excited to get to know myself more, my professional skills as well.
- India Bartelings: I have been an active member this year, I learned a lot, also about myself. I like to continue growing in that, I met a lot of amazing people and want to give back to the association, grow my personal circle and challenge myself.
- Julia Horsmans: How are you going to fit the Board combining with studies?
- Seliina Grath: It is going to be tough, because the Board is going to be a lot of hours. I want to do as much as possible, try to keep it fulltime and work on the side. I need to figure out how long each task will take. It will cost a lot of discipline. The Board is going to be my main priority, if studies fail then I have another year to catch up. I think it should work
- Maeve Hermers: I want to do my second year this coming year, but I do not mind a possible delay, because the Board will be number 1. This past year I learnt to manage my time well enough.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I am not doing any courses in the first few months, so I can get adjusted to the Board life and then see what is possible after.
- India Bartelings: I already have a study delay, so first half year I do not have courses at all and second semester I have 2 courses, but not in the same period, so I have the time to make the Board my priority. Also about Seliina Grath, Mat Goris does not have school as well, so we have a lot of time to make sure we can help each other.
- Mat Goris: Next year is going to be my 4th year. I have no classes in the first semester, which means I can put my full attention to being in the Board. Although the second half will be more challenging, I will have the Board as my priority and I am also not scared of delay.
- Mandy Schunselaar: How do you deal with stressful situations, also when there is a lot going on?
- Seliina Grath: I have to talk about it a lot, so talk about it with the Board, until they tell you to shut up and otherwise to my parents or friends from home. What I can talk about since there is confidentiality as well. I need to talk about it, I am a yapper, or read and have 12 hours of sleep and then I am fine.
- Maeve Hermers: I work well in stressful situations, if it gets too stressful, I need to plan everything and make an overview and then I am fine.
- Stephanie Hennekens: It is very important that I do not have too much on my plate at the same time, which is why I will not do courses as much. Also with stress, I need to make an overview.
- India Bartelings: In stressful situations I work well, but I do need to keep it clear for myself, so I do journal a lot, that is my outlet. I am also a yapper. I got therapy and during therapy I learnt a lot about systems and stress and keeping my head clear.

- Mat Goris: I do not often feel stressed and when I do, I have my amazing girlfriend, friends and family to calm me down, but I do not have to ask them often.
- Miles van Rossum: Seliina Grath, you said you would like to do your studies fulltime and work, for me it turned out way harder than I thought. Would you mind a study delay? I was forced and I did not do it deliberately, I fumbled my Board and my studies.
- Seliina Grath: The reason why is because I get student funding from Denmark, it is much higher than the Dutch one. If I get a delay then my funding would stop. I do not mind taking a few courses in my last year. If it does end up having a study delay, I should be able to manage and find a way. The only reason is the financial reason. I think I have an idea of what the Board entails, but you cannot know until you are in it. so if I do have to take longer, then of course, but I will try not to.
- Edmond Agabekian: In a few years the study is not going to continue with the English track. The next Board is probably going to talk about it. Seliina Grath you are the only international, how do make sure they stay relevant until they are out of the studies. Do you have any ideas?
- Seliina Grath: I know that it is still uncertain, also with the government collapsing. We will prepare in case of, but it is important to have someone international in the Board, to give their perspective. It might seem more inviting and welcoming to internationals, since there is one of them in the core of the association. How? We'll find that out.
- Kirsten Göbel: I spoke earlier about positions, would you be open to sharing your preference for position?
- Seliina Grath: We talked a lot about this, but since we are still looking for a sixth Board member, personally I do not feel like sharing, I have also discussed the position we are probably going to have. It is not set in stone. So no.
- Kirsten Göbel: But there are 3 positions in this Board that have to be filled and the others are extra. Okay, your choice.
- Julia Horsmans: How confident do you feel in the position you will most likely get and why?
- Seliina Grath: Of course we have not gotten any training yet, but so far I am pretty confident. It is a big responsibility, but it matches what I am looking for and the tasks that I am looking for in a Board year, so pretty confident.
- Maeve Hermers: I think I feel confident, I have not prepared for this position at first, but I am happy with what I got, but I think it will be a challenge.
- Stephanie Hennekens: Pretty confident, like an 8 or so.
- India Bartelings: I feel confident, also an 8 maybe 8.5 but mostly because I already have a lot of experience in this position and even though I have not had this position within a Board, I have had it as a job, courses on it and other things, so I feel very confident.
- Mat Goris: I feel very confident and excited, I am looking forward to the challenge.
- Mandy Schunselaar: How do you deal with conflict within the Board?
- India Bartelings: We have talked about this already, we are all very open and like to speak our minds. We can talk about it, express our feelings and be mindful with each other.
- Anaïs van Schalen: What if it is an issue related to someone's personality?
- Maeve Hermers: I think they work great, but if it does add up to being a problem, then be adults, be honest and speak your mind. If it gets too personal, we can always get back to business and keep private stuff separate.

- Anaïs van Schalen: How would you handle it if one of you is talking bad about another person in your Board, to you, but not talking to that person? And you have told them to talk to each other but they will not.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I think this is also what evaluation meetings are for, it is important to talk about this.
- Anaïs van Schalen: If you would have a Board with you times 5, what would it look like?
- Seliina Grath: Very chaotic, but organised chaos. also a little bit of panic, but that is also why we are not creating a Board with me times 5. So people can help me where I am lacking, so if I am panicking someone else can tell me to calm down. It is going to be fine, we will figure it out. What would go well is I do consider myself enthusiastic and wanting to do a lot of things, so that would be helpful and would be a good asset.
- Maeve Hermers: A Board with only me would be very organised with a lot of empathy and conversations, but also with everyone trying to do everything and no one delegating and that would be a problem. because only me's would be very individualistic and would want to make everyone happy and I do not think that would work.
- Stephanie Hennekens: It would be creative and fun, but the finances might not be working out as well.
- India Bartelings: I think the same as Seliina Grath, chaotic, and I know I can get ahead of myself and I do need someone to ground me a little bit when it comes to being enthusiastic. I really want to do things and am aiming high and ambitious. I know that in my year with the Pedcie I could be like that and my committee members would ground me. So I think that is good, so we should aim high, but we also need to be realistic.
- Mat Goris: It would be a very calm and collected Board with too much delegating. We would get along well I think, and enjoy our beers. However, I think that the pitfall would be that we would become too monotone in our thinking, I do not think that 5 Mats would be the best for the association, one is enough.
- Esmee Blankers: I have heard that you have gotten to know each other a little bit and I was wondering if you have discussed some ideas you would like to share or topics important to you?
- India Bartelings: We have a few focus points, mostly outward image and first year participation. Also a few ideas but we do need to work them out.
- Julia Horsmans: These are all goals you want to do as a Board, do you have personal goals? India Bartelings you said giving back to the association. Either big or small, do you have something?
- Seliina Grath: No not really, I am not that creative in my thinking, so have creative people do the thinking and then help them work it out.
- Maeve Hermers: I do have a lot of ideas, both small and big but I will share them with the Board first. They are there but will not be disclosed here.
- Stephanie Hennekens: As for personal goals right?
- Julia Horsmans: For events for example.
- Stephanie Hennekens: No not specifically.
- India Bartelings: Giving back to the association I have a few or like one big idea that I cannot disclose in detail right now, but it does have something to do with my function.

- Mat Goris: I do have a big personal goal, however I do not want to say too much about this yet since I have to take a peek behind the curtains as Board to see if I can live up to my ambitions.
- Esmee Blankers: What is something you liked from the 78th Board and what is something you might want to do better?
- Seliina Grath: I really like the room and the environment being welcoming and open. I felt very welcome very quickly. So of course there is always someone in the room, but you can always yap to them or learn. I think something that we want to work on is the presence of the association in general.
- Maeve Hermers: I really like how open they were and how personal they were, very involved with you as people. What I would like to see better is between Board contact person and committee and between Board members in that respect.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I think the promotion was really good and also I would say from what I have heard, they are leaving us with a very good start up, very clean for example. What I would like to do differently is visibility.
- India Bartelings: I also liked the welcoming environment. This is my first year as an active member and the whole Board and other members did that. Also fun events. I would do differently is the presence, more that we as a Board are with more people at external events, also from other associations, stronger as a Board.
- Mat Goris: I very much enjoyed the welcome environment that the Board created this year. I noticed that I gravitated to the room a lot, which is something that I hope to continue. However, I would like to do better as a Board as a whole to be more visible and present at events.
- Mandy Schunselaar: I do not know if this is something you have thought about, but you are all talking about being more present. Board can be very time pressing, did you talk about the fulltime/parttime discussion we have been having for the last year? What are you feeling so far?
- Stephanie Hennekens: We are doing it full time.
- India Bartelings: I also wanted to elaborate, because we have a lot of ideas to implement in the association, it could be good to actually have that time.
- Julia Horsmans: If you were to be on a ship, which role would you be?
- Mandy Schunselaar: You stole the question from me!
- Julia Horsmans: You can also ask it!
- Mandy Schunselaar: No it is fine.
- Seliina Grath: I do not know anything about ships.
- Mandy Schunselaar: You need to be like a pirate on a big ship.
- Maeve Hermers: I think I would be the one up high and will only come down when necessary.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I would be the one with scurvy.
- India Bartelings: I think I would be the helmsman, the one behind the steer because I am steering at Skøll in a rowboat.
- Mat Goris: I would like most positions except scrubbing the deck, but my favorites would be the crow's nest, or captain. I would like to be in the crow's nest since I like to daydream and look at scenery, however if I would have to coordinate the ship and delegate the tasks I would not complain either.

- Edmond Agabekian: What events are you looking forward to next year, what are you not so excited about?
- Seliina Grath: I really enjoyed this year's Active Member Weekend and Active Member Day, so I'm really looking forward to that. I am also looking forward to other association's cobo's, I am scared for our own.
- Maeve Hermers: I am also looking forward to Active Member Weekend and Active Member Day and our own Cobo and Reiscie. The one I am least excited about is the Wintersportcie because of my knee.
- Stephanie Hennekens: Everything that Maeve Hermers and Seliina Grath said, other associations Cobo's, meeting new people and no Wintersportcie for me as well.
- India Bartelings: I am also looking forward to all Cobos and the borrels we will organise. I am also looking forward to Active Member Weekend but I also know it is going to be a very long weekend.
- Mat Goris: The events I am most excited for are the Barcie's, Feestcie's, Reiscie, Active Member Weekend and the Cobo. However I feel that Cobo is going to be the one I am also not so excited about due to Dylan Ingelse's behavior this past year...
- Kirsten Göbel: Everybody has been noticing attendance has been going down this past year, what will you do to change that?
- India Bartelings: For us, from what we have gathered is that it is low because for the first few months there were some events that were not well visited and after that people assumed that is how the events were and they will not join anymore. We have at least three people in our Board that will not have classes, so we are really motivated to be there, get our energy in, socialise, go up to people to join our events since we will be there. I think that is one big thing we will be able to change.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I like to add that is why we will focus on the first years, so you can lay a strong foundation.
- Maeve Hermers: We also know that the active members we are going to be losing a lot, so also focusing on getting more.
- Kirsten Göbel: Do you already know how you are going to attract more active members? Apart from what India Bartelings said?
- Stephanie Hennekens: I have some ideas but I don't know if we have actively talked about it.
- Kirsten Göbel: I have an idea for it. We were having a Piccie evaluation and then having a feedback form to active and non active members, to make people sign up, also maybe like handing out a gift card or something and then you get a lot of feedback about what could have been done differently. So you have active knowledge about what everyone feels like. Another response to Stephanie Hennekens, you were primarily going to focus on first years so you have a base. But they do not stick, from my year some people are here. There are not a lot of people there. Having a strong base is an easy choice, but harder to keep them. Keep the higher years in the association it is even more important maybe.
- India Bartelings: For the first years it is also with the introduction days, we are almost all going to be there so we want to socialise a lot there. Actively go out and talk to people and after it you have the sign up period and then we can also still focus on higher years, because we do want to focus on both just not in the same period.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I also think that a problem is the attendance, so if the first years are there, mentors also play a big role. I think then we have enough attendance to show we can be fun. I think it would be a very strong base to then keep people in the association.
- Laura Kirin: A lot of the first years when we were recruiting them, they did not know how much work it is going to be, how much studies will be etc. so I would look at how to address people to convince them.

- Anaïs van Schalen: I do want to hear the ideas. It does not matter if you have not talked about it yet. Or do you want to keep it a surprise? It does not mean it has to happen.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I have not talked about it with the Candidate Board, so I would say I do not know if it is feasible, so I do not want to throw anything out there if the Candidate Board does not know if it will work.
- Kirsten Göbel: To be fair, I feel like you are saying what has been done the last 3 years, no new ideas to attract new members, they did it with the burger bash, with the mentors, so I think we need a little bit more because what we have been doing now has not worked. Think about things to spice it up, ask other associations. I love what you are doing and saying but we need new initiatives.
- Seliina Grath: It is a good idea to ask other associations and Boards, to ask if they are doing anything different. Good idea.
- Maeve Hermers: I also think that we have looked at the last 5 policy plans and all of the General Meeting's they have discussed this point and we have other ideas then them.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I would also like to say that this is an invitation, if you have any ideas throw them out there, put them in the idea box or mail them.
- Julia Horsmans: Which committees would you like to be a contact person of? Not function related but what do you want?
- Maeve Hermers: Reiscie because I know all the ins and outs and I would love to have Feestcie or Barcie, but I also think either Opcie or Congrescie or Lucie would also be nice.
- Seliina Grath: I also like Reiscie so that is something we need to figure out, other than that I think LEX and Actie could be really fun to have.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I really like to do Lucie and also help Piccie on their quest of becoming a better committee.
- India Bartelings: I would like to have Illusie and also Barcie or Congrescie would be fun.
- Mat Goris: I would enjoy being Feestcie contact person since I already have the experience and love the committee. However the educational committees such as LEX, Opcie, and Congrescie also interest me a lot and offer a new challenge I have not yet had experience with.
- India Bartelings: I also wanted to say that because I am the only pedagogical sciences that I would also like to have Pedcie.
- Maeve Hermers: We have discussed this internally already.
- Julia Horsmans: Since two of you have been in Reiscie, don't you think it is going to be a struggle to project your own struggles and experiences on them because it is so much.
- Seliina Grath: I think it is something we have to look out for but also since we've both been in Reiscie, we're more aware of the different deadlines and in general how to organise the trip and we can help better in that sense. We have additional info. In general if anyone from current Reiscie is going to join, which we know because of the Chair.
- Maeve Hermers: Because we have been Reiscie, we can help better instead of asking others what needs to be done and handled.
- Julia Horsmans: There are three people who have been in Reiscie, so I want to plant a seed, think about how much time there is between you being in Reiscie and other committees. You are wise enough to make that decision. Also, I was wondering if each one of you is more submissive or dominant or if there's a chance to be a bit more stubborn and how to balance that?

- Seliina Grath: I am more on the submissive side, if not we can find a way or something we can all agree on and walk on there. I do not have strong opinions on that many things, so if we can talk and find middle ground than I am happy
- Maeve Hermers: I have a lot of strong opinions and in my last year I learnt that other people have strong opinions and with those opinions you can come up with another opinion. But I also learnt that I need to let go if it is better for the bigger picture.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I would say I am quite easy going, quite flexible but on some topics I have a strong opinion. On very specific kinds of topics.
- India Bartelings: I know I can have my opinions but I also know that I am not that difficult in seeing others opinions and why it could be a good job. Within the Candidate Board we all have our own opinions and are not push overs, we communicate really well and voice them really well together. We are voicing them but are also able to see each other.
- Mat Goris: I think that I can definitely be stubborn when I am convinced of an idea. However, I am always open to everyone's arguments and reasoning. Together you can find a compromise and from my experience compromises can often lead to better outcomes.
- Julia Horsmans: What's the vision of Lucie?
- Stephanie Hennekens: Do you mean like any ideas? I think from 5 years ago I thought a festival would be nice. I have not read it yet but having a festival looks really nice.
- Maeve Hermers: Not thought of it yet
- Mat Goris: To be honest, I have not yet done enough research to give a clear answer. Lucie is something we have to discuss more internally.
- Rohit Soebdhan: What would your guys biggest hurdle be next year?
- Seliina Grath: For me it would be procrastination which would be more my studies than Board. I do not think it would affect Board stuff.
- Maeve Hermers: Would be trying to do everything myself and not asking for help because that is what I noticed with Reiscie this year.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I do not have a clear answer, it could be stress that comes up with me quite a few times. I've taken good measures to prevent it.
- India Bartelings: 2 things, also want to learn to be better, organisation wise staying consistent, because I can be chaotic but if I do have a set moment to set everything in place it would be better. The 2nd one is that I sometimes find it difficult to separate criticism on my job from me as a person and it doesn't mean I cannot take criticism but I do take it personally sometimes. I've been working on it this year already.
- Mat Goris: I think that my inexperience within the VSPVU would be a hurdle in the start of the Board year. However, I do feel confident that it will be able to adapt quickly and overcome it well.
- Rohit Soebdhan: Seliina Grath you were talking about full time Board and studies and work, how do you think procrastination will work with that?
- Seliina Grath: I think my problem with procrastination right now is that I have too much free time. So now I have the possibility to do so. So it will be something I have to work on, but I also have less free time, so it would mean that I have an easier time to get started because I do not have another time than that.
- Anne Bruggink: More pitfalls, is it also your personal goal to improve?
- Seliina Grath: 100% it is something I want to get better at, I also need to separate personal and Board. I think a Board year can help me.

- Maeve Hermers: It has been something I struggle with for a long time, it is me. So I think it can get better during Board
- Stephanie Hennekens: For sure, I think doing a Board year is a very good way to become more resistant to stress. Definitely one of my goals.
- India Bartelings: These two things I need to develop. I started during Pedcie already but this new environment will really help me.
- Mat Goris: I think that my inexperience within the VSPVU would be a hurdle in the start of the Board year. However, I do feel confident that it will be able to adapt quickly and overcome it well.
- Anne Bruggink: When is your Board year a fulfilled Board year for you personally, what do you need to have reached?
- Seliina Grath: Easy, if I have had fun during Board year and my members had fun then that is successful.
- Maeve Hermers: Also would be happy if I have fun and work together great and like each other after than I would be happy also if our connections with other associations would be better.
- Stephanie Hennekens: If I look back and feel like I've grown. Growing as a person is a very big goal for me and fun in the meantime is good.
- India Bartelings: Agree with Maeve Hermers, after our year we like working together as a group and are in good contact and also have the opportunity to show to the rest of the association. That would make my Board year successful and also in my function if I have done my job successfully.
- Mat Goris: I most of all want to enjoy my time while having the biggest challenge of my life thus far. Of course not everything is going to go as planned, but when I look back I want to have great memories and personal and shared achievements. I am not satisfied quickly in general, but not too harsh on myself either.
- Kirsten Göbel: Maeve Hermers I know you've been in the Board of a different association, you want to learn more about being in a Board could change you, but you've been. What did you learn last year and what's something you want to learn this year?
- Maeve Hermers: Last year I learnt how to work in groups and I got better at delegating tasks and people doing what they need to do. But the dispute had been there for one year, I set things up and made sure everything would be better for upcoming Boards. I want to improve knowing how a bigger association works, the professionalism side. It is different than just borrels every week.
- Kirsten Göbel: So you say this was the first year. Are you planning on being active there?
- Maeve Hermers: I quit. I've been sick for 4 months which made me not go to the borrels and their entire thing is borrels, so I did my Board year but I've handed my position over to someone else. Also because I knew I was applying for this Candidate Board so I wanted to free up time.
- Kirsten Göbel: You said you were sick for 4 months, how will you and your Board tackle this if this will happen again?
- Maeve Hermers: It will not happen again to me, but if it would then I could do everything from home, just not attend the events. I have been there also during the Reiscie meetings. So if it happens again I will ask for help and make sure I can do most of the things from home.
- Kirsten Göbel: India Bartelings, you are the only pedagogical science student, do you have plans on how to include more pedagogical science students who are not in the Pedcie?
- India Bartelings: It is something that I noticed that there are not a lot of pedagogical science students. I am trying really hard to find a Chair for Pedcie because for the last 2 years it was the chair from September/October onwards so the committee was also really late. I am

trying to improve and get them to help me find people. The Pedcie already succeeded in getting more people involved, they did get their classmates to join who were not members. I would like to actively persuade friends

- Kirsten Göbel: If I may ask, how's the search going?
- India Bartelings: I have a little bit of trouble but mostly because my committee members do not want to be chair. I am asking around in my year, reaching out to friends of mine who I think could be a good fit and could be up for it. There's still hope.
- Kirsten Göbel: Do you think if you could have Pedcie Chair on time, it would be better to have a pedagogical sciences studies in the end of the October or have psychology student be Chair of Pedcie from September onwards?
- India Bartelings: A misconception is that only pedagogical science students can join, it is not only for these students, so psychology students are also welcome. If I can find someone, I'm happy as well. The committee focuses on subjects within the pedagogical sciences but it can still relate to psychology.
- Laura Kirin: What if the Chair of Pedcie was an English student. What would you do then?
- India Bartelings: That is a thing. So if you can only speak English, I think it would be an exclusion criteria because it is a dutch study. But if they know it well enough to follow it, it could be a possibility.
- Kirsten Göbel: Stephanie Hennekens, not an attack but something I've experienced. It is not that bad. During parent's day you overslept an hour or something, how would you prevent that from happening? When you are hungover and have an early roomshift.
- Stephanie Hennekens: To be honest I never overslept in my life except that one time so I will be fine.
- Anaïs van Schalen: If you would get the chance to do a bonding activity, what would you do?
- Seliina Grath: We have been talking about going to a festival.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I would love to go on the pancake boat.
- Maeve Hermers: Go to birth places and Seliina Grath's preferred city.
- India Bartelings: Escape room, I think for bonding but it is also a great way to see what we're working with this year.
- Mat Goris: I have some ideas, however I would like to keep them a surprise to the other Candidate Board members. They are fun though! you can also ask the Feestcie members in the room.
- Julia Horsmans: On a scale of 1-10 how comfortable are you with asking for help?
- Seliina Grath: 6, working on it. I have gotten better though.
- Maeve Hermers: 4.5, one of my worst qualities.
- Stephanie Hennekens: 6.8.
- India Bartelings: 6 but for me the problem isn't asking for help, but realising it would be better if I got help. When I realise it, I am pretty comfortable with it.
- Mat Goris: 7.5 like to figure it out first and when I really do need the help I can ask. I do not mind asking.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Not very high with all of you except Mat Goris. How are you going to not let that be a problem. It is quite a problem if you are in a Board.
- India Bartelings: We did talk about this, also with Mat Goris. He came with really stressing how are you and us being able to tell what's wrong so the others can tell they need the help. It is not the asking we struggle with, but realising, so we can tell each other.

- Julia Horsmans: We have offered help, realising help, but accepting help. Good or not good?
- India Bartelings: Thumbs up
- Stephanie Hennekens: Thumbs up
- Maeve Hermers: Halfway
- Seliina Grath: Thumbs up
- Mat Goris: Thumbs up
- Dylan Ingelse: Being Board means you can be in a lot of public places and public speaking. How comfortable are you and otherwise how will you tackle it?
- Maeve Hermers: Very comfortable with it, but I am not that loud. I do not mind standing in front of a crowd.
- Stephanie Hennekens: I'd say it is something I am not the greatest in, but when I am up there it is fine. One of my learning points.
- Seliina Grath: Depending on the crowd, not comfortable in big crowds but something I can somewhat easily overcome so not a very big problem.
- India Bartelings: Really comfortable, I think most of you know I am a big yapper and it doesn't matter who I am speaking with or speaking in front of.
- Mat Goris: I am quite comfortable with public speaking, this doesn't mean I do not get nervous, but I mostly see these as good nerves. To me public speaking is like performing, which is something I am comfortable with due to my experience in my band with gigs.
- Laura Kirin: What made you comfortable enough to not become Chair first but immediately Board?
- Seliina Grath: I think for me part of it is also I do not necessarily see myself as a chair. I think I am better at the organisation instead of the leader. I do not see myself as a Chair as of right now. so the Board would be better.
- Maeve Hermers: I've done a Board year and have been Chair in high school for a lot of things. Also after Reiscie, being vice Chair, Chair isn't the logical step for me. I feel like the Board is a step higher and I want to learn that.

6. Voting

- Maeve Hermers:
 - In favor: 23
 - Neutral: 1
 - Against: 0
- Stephanie Hennekens:
 - In favor: 22
 - Neutral: 2
 - Against: 0
- India Bartelings:
 - In favor: 21
 - Neutral: 3
 - Against: 0

- Seliina Grath:
 - In favor: 21
 - Neutral: 3
 - Against: 0

7.

Update on Financial statement

- Robyn Bernhard: I am now going to present the financial statement up until now. Let me start with explaining the columns. The budgeted results are what I expected would come in at the beginning of the year. The virtual result is what I expect will come in at the end of the year. And the current result is what happened up until now.

Income: Vu Bookstore: Will come in at the beginning of next year. So no update.

Membership: We got 8810 euros which is more than we expected would come in at the beginning of the year.

Contribution Investment: We got a contribution investment from the 77th Board at the beginning of the year to attract more members.

Faculty: We got our faculty money at the beginning of the year.

Bavaria: Hasn't come in yet so no update.

Sponsorship: We have 1385 euros so far and expect to hit the target before the end of our year.

Bank account interest: The first half has been received and we will receive the other half at the beginning of next year. We expect to hit our target.

Board Activities: Active member day: No updates. Active Member day has been held at the beginning of the year so the post is closed.

Active member weekend: Active member weekend has been held in April. We are waiting for a few more payments to come through before we can close the post.

Constitution drink: No update. Has been held at the beginning of the year and the post is closed.

Transition weekend: No update. We are arranging transition weekend so the costs will come in later.

Board drinks: We had 2 borrels, will have the BBQ-borrel on the 27th and have one more borrel in the introduction week.

Mini-events: We spent 1497,44 euros and have some kegs left that we will still sell beers from. So we expect to reach the cost of 1100 euros at the end of the year.

Emballage: We are waiting on the payments of the emballage from Bavaria that is why emballage is so high at the moment.

- Miles van Rossum: What's an emballage?
- Robyn Bernhard: The empty kegs and all that.
- Miles van Rossum: About the sponsorship. do you know for certain you will receive the 315 euros you are missing?
- Robyn Bernhard: We do not know for sure but we are hopeful it will come in before the end of the year.
- Miles van Rossum: So still searching for it?
- Anne Bruggink: The reason why we do not know but we are hopeful is because we are 99% sure. We have a contract but it is commission based. We have another deal made but we do not have the signature yet. So it is coming in, but they still have a way out because there is no contract.

- Mandy Schunselaar: The mini events, you said there is a bigger minus because of the kegs that are still in storage? When are you selling this because there is no mini event where they sell beer.
- Robyn Bernhard: Dylan Ingelse is doing a sprint and we have a Chronicles release event.
- Mandy Schunselaar: But that is not Chronicles selling beer but Board?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes.
- Lucas Ehrlich: With Active Member Weekend you guys overspend by 130 euros, you mentioned you are still waiting for payments?
- Robyn Bernhard: These are people that the incasso declined, so we are waiting for that.
- Lucas Ehrlich: For Board drinks, you have 180 euros left, I'm guessing you budgeted the amount in three, are there payments not in the bookkeeping or is there money left for anything else?
- Robyn Bernhard: 60 euros for introduction days week and the rest for the BBQ Borrel.
- Lucas Ehrlich: For mini events, now you have a virtual result that goes over the budgeted result because of the beer, so that'll go to the next Board so it'll be fine. Is there a realistic amount you have left for mini events?
- Robyn Bernhard: We have 4x 20 liters left, so that is about 420 euros. That means we have 100 euros left, plus the money we have from Board drinks, so we have around 220 euros to spend on the BBQ Borrel, which I think is enough.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Final question about emballage, it is in the minus right now. We know how Bavaria works, do you have news for this?
- Robyn Bernhard: They will pay this Friday.
- Miles van Rossum: You mentioned bank account interest for half of the year? Is it 6 months?
- Robyn Bernhard: No 4 or 5, so the 700 euros should definitely come in.
- Edmond Agabekian: I wanted to come back to sponsorship. I know how and what but I think it is important to know what's going on. Last time we had already lowered it with 750 euros and that was to reach the goal and make the budget alright. Now we are at the end of the year and we have 500 euros left, so I think it is important to know why. Is it hard to get sponsors or was it a lack, what we can improve so next year can reach the goal. Last year was also lowered with a 1000 euros so what can we do differently next year to make sure it doesn't happen again?
- Anne Bruggink: We still need 365 euros. What I answered before is that it will come in. The reason is a combination, very big thing which is a problem is that we cannot work with a lot of companies even though they want it the most and offer the most. It makes it harder and demotivating. Motivation of past years sponsorships, it is hard to look back sometimes. Last year is fine but earlier was different. Contracts aren't always made, which is why I was very strict about the deals. Other than that we did not or almost did not have any sponsors that went from one year to the next, which was also a problem for me, because you start with nothing. What I did differently was that at the end of the year, people reach out for the coming year and I am planning to train the next Board for it. We have some contracts that will transfer. They will start with a couple companies they can work from and learn from. The learning part doesn't take that long anymore. The contact information is also there, I made a start at, we were lacking last years. I had to go through the binders to find everything out. For this year it is clean and organised. To summarize, the organisation was lacking from last year, we have some extra rules which are demotivating. Time goes into the organisation and not reaching out. At the end of the year you should not think it is not for our year, but you should still work together with them. I am improving on that right now.

- Miles van Rossum: On that note, you set everything out for next year, do you think it is doable to increase the budget again?
- Anne Bruggink: Yes. I think it should be the same amount that we started with, I also think it would've been doable if the planning for me was doable if it was how it is right now. I think it is possible also because we have a good name with a lot of companies, we have a lot of possibilities already. I think we have a better image now compared to then.
- Robyn Bernhard: Committees

Actie: Actie had 3 events and spent €49,28 of their budget.

Barcie: Barcie had 4 events and made a profit of €365,13. I have a plan for what to do with the profit but I will come back to that later.

Chronicles: Chronicles is selling their yearbooks and the costs from the production of the books and the reveal party did not come in yet.

Feestcie: Feestcie had their gala and one event and spent €2056,56. They had a €1000 investment from the 77th Board on top of their budget for this year. So I expect that they will stay within their budget.

Illusie: Illusie had one event and no expenses were made yet for mentor weekend which is around the corner and the other events.

LEX: LEX had 3 events so far and spent €40,72.

Opcie: Opcie had their career days and spent €880,24. We are still waiting for one last reimbursement.

Ouderdagcie: Ouderdagcie had their parents' day and has €362,96 left.

Pedcie: Pedcie had 2 events and spent €25,97 of their budget.

Reiscie: Reiscie had their trip and the left over flibus tickets will be reallocated to next year to use for the next trip. If that has been done they stayed within their budget.

Wintersportcie: Wintersportcie had their pre-union, reunion and ski trip and spent all their money and even went a little bit over budget with €3,41.

FLEXible Committee Budget: No committee used the flexible committee budget yet.
- Edmond Agabekian: The Reiscie has money left for next year because of the flibus?
- Robyn Bernhard: Reiscie for next year already made expenses. The voucher is around 700 euros.
- Edmond Agabekian: Is the next Board planning on lowering the budget, or do you want to push them for something else?
- Robyn Bernhard: The voucher is "sold" to the next year, but the costs still have to go there. I would advise them to use the same amount of money for next year otherwise you're really limited with places you can go to.
- Miles van Rossum: 700 euros worth of bus tickets will go to next year. What's the rest of the budget?
- Robyn Bernhard: They had a budget of 1900 euros something.
- Miles van Rossum: So they will be very minimal now. You've brushed over Illusie really quickly, what is the 7000 euros for?
- Robyn Bernhard: They get it from our faculty to use for events and introduction week to attract mentors and new members, so they have 7000 euros left.
- Miles van Rossum: I've noticed a lot of committees have gone under budget and they do not have other events anymore. What happens to that budget?
- Robyn Bernhard: Actie still has some events, same for Feestcie, LEX, Pedcie and Opcie and Ouderdagcie I will come back to you later. same as Barcie by the way.

- Miles van Rossum: So reallocation later?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes
- Boaz Emanuels: Ideas yet what you will reallocate it to?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes, that is why we have the new budget proposal.
- Nora Opschoor: Feestcie got a 1000 euros investment, I was under the assumption it was 700 euros. Can you let me know?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes, but even with 700 euros you will manage.
- Laura Kirin: You said none of the committees asked for the flexpot. Do you foresee any committees asking for it? Or will you reallocate?
- Robyn Bernhard: I will make it lower but I do want to keep the options open if they need it.
- Mandy Schunselaar: For the Reiscie, they get a budget of 1900 euros, shouldn't the other costs be that instead of 0 euros?
- Robyn Bernhard: No, because they get it from our faculty.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Chronicles is in the plus, you mentioned there is still something happening with the book sale and the invoice needs to come in. Didn't the sale already start? Do you have an estimation of their costs after the invoice and their sales?
- Robyn Bernhard: Most optimistic is that everything sells out and they will use all their money. But I would advise to make the budget higher because it is getting significantly more expensive every year..
- Lucas Ehrlich: Would you advise to keep the same amount of books?
- Robyn Bernhard: We already lowered it this year, but we might need advice to lower it again, but we need to wait for the results.
- Miles van Rossum: Can you share the result?
- Robyn Bernhard: They estimated 48 books and last year there were 55 books. We have sold 36 so far.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Did you all tell your committee to buy the book already? Did they? Otherwise check.
- Robyn Bernhard: Did you hear feedback why they did not want to buy?
- Miles van Rossum: No money.
- Laura Kirin: I have two committee members, one of them bought the book. I also bought it. But the other committee member did not attend, so it did not make sense to her to buy it.
- Julia Horsmans: Is the Reiscie of this year in the book or last year?
- Isabel Bartelds: Last year because the deadline is before you go on holiday. It is not an option to do so, and it will never be an option, because the deadline is early in the year.
- Mandy Schunselaar: Did Illusie spend nothing yet on mentornight? No invoice for the location? Because it is this weekend already.
- Anne Bruggink: They get an invoice afterwards because per person you have tourist tax.
- Laura Kirin: Regarding Chronicles, you are printing a set number of books? What if you do not sell them, can you sell them later?
- Isabel Bartelds: Basically, we will be selling at the event too, and then from the books of last year we even sold a few after the holidays. and we as a Board buy some for other associations, it will be possible if we do not sell out to buy after the holiday.
- Robyn Bernhard: Board Expenses: General Meeting: We have used the money for two dinners before the General Meeting's so far and will use the left over money for the dinner from this General Meeting and our last General Meeting.
- General Board Meeting: We had pizza during the last general Board meeting. And gave a little appreciation gift to the chairs for their hard

work this year. All the expenses were made so the post is closed.

External Relations: We spent way less money than expected for the gifts for cobo's. Therefore, I will advise next year to look better at what you want to give during these cobo's.

External Gifts: No update other than that we gave flowers to one of the locations we stayed at during the year.

Board Reimbursement: 4 of the 5 Board members have used this so far.

Porto/Print/Board Costs: We used this to order stickers, cards and buy our Board suit so far.

Home & Office General: We spent €48,47 so far and will use the rest of the money for new cushions on the couch and probably more coffee.

Fixed Costs: We have spent €1847,10 so far and will probably use all of the money by the end of the year.

- Stephanie Hennekens: What does fixed costs entail?
- Robyn Bernhard: Subscriptions. Website and bank and canva for example.
- Laura Kirin: Could you buy a non creepy blanket?
- Robyn Bernhard: We have 3 others.
- Boaz Emanuels: I was going to suggest one meter, the 78th Board centimeter cardboard cutout of me.
- Robyn Bernhard: I'll look into it.
- Julia Horsmans: Maybe an idea if you want to drink all the beer, the chalkboard could be like a contest thing on it.
- Robyn Bernhard: Investments: Transaction costs: Since this year we found out that some fixed costs have been posted under fixed costs for the last couple of years. However, since we found out about it this year and are changing it, this resulted in us having more transaction costs than expected.

VSPVU-room: We have made no extra room investments so far but are working on buying some new stuff to upgrade the room.

Member Initiative Budget: We had a member initiative during the study sessions where iced drinks were sold. This was a great success and they bought an ice machine for the room. They only used €19,28 for this event.

Lucie: No update. We think Lustrum is very important and therefore should have enough money since it is going to be very expensive. We would like to contribute by investing €1000 in Lucie.

Active Member Rewards: General Board Meeting-outing: We went to aloha to go mini-golfing and provided some drinks. We spent €284,60. Post is not closed sorry my mistake.

Dominate the 78th Board: We are planning to buy a little gift for everyone who participated but did not win.

Committee Ten: 9 committees did their committee ten. The final deadline is the 25th of June. So please do your committee ten if you haven't done so already. Otherwise the money will be reallocated to mini-events.

Active Member Clothing: No update. The active member hoodies have been distributed, paid for and bought before the December holidays. Therefore this post is closed.

Extra Rewards: No update.

- Miles van Rossum: I heard 800 euros for the room? Can you tell us what it might be?
- Robyn Bernhard: We are planning to buy a glass fridge to sell drinks and we want to buy a vacuum so the room is more clean.

- Julia Horsmans: How do you decide what is room investment and what is home and general?
- Robyn Bernhard: Good question, home and office are things like pens and paper and coffee and tea. Dishwashing soap, baking paper.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I think the difference is recurring expenses is home and office and long term is room investment.
- Maeve Hermers: Curious, how much did the ice machine cost?
- Robyn Bernhard: The event was very successful so they made a profit.
- Kirsten Göbel: I want to say that I think it is nice you are spending money on giving gifts for the chairs and the active members. I think it also might keep them motivated.
- Miles van Rossum: I know I am supposed to do it, you are still giving out the payments?
- Robyn Bernhard: You can still do so.
- Miles van Rossum: But I sent mine, did you reimburse me?
- Robyn Bernhard: I did.
- Miles van Rossum: What happens if they do not reimburse?
- Robyn Bernhard: If they don't use it before 25th of June, then to the BBQ borrel.
- Lucas Ehrlich: You have 40 euros for unforeseen, what happens?
- Robyn Bernhard: It is the automatic calculation.

8. New Budget Proposal

- Robyn Bernhard: Now I want to propose a new budget. Not a lot of things will change, but just some small changes.
Income: No changes except for that I corrected the membership to what actually came in.
Board Activities: No changes.
Committees: The changes I made are relevant for Barcie and flexible committee budget. Since we had a discussion last General Meeting about what to do with the Barcie profit, I thought about something we could do. Barcie profit is made not only by Barcie but mainly by everyone who attends the Barcies. Therefore I was thinking that it would be nice to give the money from the Barcie profit back to the members. After the last event of Barcie at the end of September, we can post a question box on instagram where we ask what the members miss in the room and want to see added to the room. In that way the Barcie profit will go to making the VSPVU-room more fun to be in and the members can get the option to decide what to change. This means that I will change Barcie's budget to €0. I also want to lower the flexible committee budget to €150 so the committees that do have events still can still ask for it if they think they need it.
- Edmond Agabekian: Question I have regarding Wintersportcie, why is the budget not changed to the correct amount?
- Robyn Bernhard: You are right, I forgot.
- Miles van Rossum: Just a point for the flexpot, I don't know about other committees, I think everyone knows it. But my point is, no committee thought or asked about it. Keep promoting it. When committees discuss, they do not consider this. We were going off a budget for the gala, because we did not know what DJ equipment costs. It is this amount but it did not occur to any of us, so promote it more.
- Robyn Bernhard: We can mention it more during meetings. We can mention this, but I always stress it during every General Meeting that it is there to use it. I agree but it is mentioned.

- Laura Kirin: That is on you Miles van Rossum. I think every General Meeting is spoken about but I do agree that some chairs aren't here and they might not know about it. I think the thing is that my committee is planning with the budget we have and if we need more than we ask for it. If it doesn't work out then we ask for it.
- Miles van Rossum: We stressed a lot about booking the DJ, it worked out because we were very lucky and this was the perfect solution. Not our whole committee is here, so not everyone knows about this. This is committee responsibility, but you cannot promote it enough if it doesn't get used.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I think most of the chairs are aware it exists and I think maybe the fact that it doesn't get used is because it always seems like you have less money in the beginning, then you make a bigger effort and you figure it out. It is not something related to most cases.
- Maeve Hermers: Also with the flexpot, you cannot fill your budget with it, it is for something extra, so if you did not budget for it in the first place, you did not need it. Not for if something doesn't work out.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: I agree with previous statements, advice for the future, Feestcie has something in august, Barcie is in september, ask for money and do something fun.
- Robyn Bernhard: But come up with a good plan first.
- Edmond Agabekian: All valid points, I think it is important to realise that flexpot is not for filling up the budget but do make sure to do something. If no committee has something, then try and use it for new members during introduction week.
- Kirsten Göbel: To be fair to Miles van Rossum, I've been a chair for two years and been to every General Meeting and I also forget it's there. It would be better if you hear chairs struggling with money, it would be good to speak up about it.
- Julia Horsmans: I do think that it should be explained better what it is for, now Feestcie and Reiscie had unexpected costs, but since it cannot be used to fill up a gap but for something extra, maybe that should be addressed better. If for whatever reason committees are struggling and no one is mentioning flexpot, the contact person should talk about it with the Board and then you have RvA and if they do not mention it, they do not need it.
- Robyn Bernhard: Board Expenses: No changes, except for that I want to reallocate the money that is left over from Opcie and Ouderdagcie to porto/print/Board costs. Opcie and Ouderdagcie get money from faculty and it is important that we spend the money well and do not let money go to waste. The only issue is that you can't spend faculty money on everything and you can't allocate it to every post you want. The only options we have are Illusie, internationalisation and porto/print/Board costs. Therefore, I think that the best and only option is to reallocate the money to porto/print/Board costs. I want to do this because we want to buy a new pinsystem that will reduce the print costs for coming years and will significantly improve our paying system and make it more efficient. This will make sure that Barcies are more efficient and there will no longer be any turf lists and receipts.
- Edmond Agabekian: It is a nice idea but maybe a little vague because you forget to explain what we use and what we want to use in the future.
- Robyn Bernhard: Now we use the turf lists and every day we print out the receipt with everything we sold during the day. This goes wrong nearly everyday and makes my life miserable because people forgot to turf and the math doesn't work, people cannot add things together and it gets miscalculated. So I want to use a system where you can click on the categories, you click on for example a beer, and

the system knows and if you want to have 4 beers, they know the price, you do not have to turf and print. It makes my life easier, Barcies life easier and I believe it makes everyone's life easier.

- Edmond Agabekian: What are the costs for the installation?
- Robyn Bernhard: 500 to 600 euros and we get a new Peter.
- Julia Horsmans: When do you plan on implementing this system?
- Robyn Bernhard: In the summer. We can even fix it this next week.
- Kirsten Göbel: Maybe I do not understand it, it is not going to change the bar, only the pin system. It is going to be Peter but then smart?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes. We can also use it for external locations.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Has anyone tried messing with the current Peter? Did anyone call because it is an Android system so I think you can install everything.
- Robyn Bernhard: I contacted the current company and it might be less expensive now but more expensive long term because the variable cost will increase. Instead of paying now a little more, you have to pay more monthly.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: How long are we looking at the pay back?
- Robyn Bernhard: I hope it will at least be used for 10 years. The monthly cost now is 20 euros and it will increase to 25 euros per month, but if you use the system you want to use on our current device it is going to be 40 euros per month.
- Lucas Ehrlich: Per year it is going to be 240 euros more expensive, so after two years you get profit.
- Edmond Agabekian: We invested 500 euros to install it. We put it at porto print and it is faculty money. If we do not use it now, we cannot spend it on anything. Girl math - free money to spend. you pay 5 euros extra per month, but you save on printing costs, end of the day calculations etc. also with Barcie you get through the transactions way quicker. so I think you will also get the lines smaller during Barcies, motivating people because there is no line at the bar. I think it is a good investment.
- Lucas Ehrlich: The fixed costs stay the same but the transaction costs go up. You still have close to 700 euros in fixed costs, are they going to be spent?
- Robyn Bernhard: Yes, we are going to spend it all. Investments: I lowered the member initiative budget by around half since it is almost the end of the year. And transaction costs I put €200 extra because of the extra transaction costs we put on this post as of this year.
Active Member Rewards: No changes, other than that I corrected General Board Meeting-outing to what we actually spent.
- Stephanie Hennekens: About the VSPVU room, are there any plans to work on the wall?
- Robyn Bernhard: We have been discussing this, but it is difficult with the rules.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: About it, because I don't know what I am voting on because we are doing the pin terminal, are we sure we are going to make the profit?
- Robyn Bernhard: It is in the contract for 2 or 3 years. After that the Board has to discuss with the company. The company we use now can also do that.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: I am afraid of the sign up bonuses. so after those 3 years, it might be more expensive.
- Dylan Ingelse: It is not a discount, it is just another contract.
- Miles van Rossum: Did you have estimated costs about what money you lose by these mistakes? Because the costs will be lost.

- Robyn Bernhard: I do not know how much we loose.
- Anaïs van Schalen: If we keep the system long enough it is always going to account for the money we are losing right now. So that will compensate for the costs.
- Edmond Agabekian: You spend like 60 euros more per year and you for sure get some money back, you just do not know how long. It is about progression in the association. We have to try to make things easier for ourselves and then progress.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Making suggestions like this, prepare all the costs beforehand, they need to be already explained. Instead of discussing the cost, it's easier and with the last points I do agree.

9. Voting

- In favor: 24
- Neutral: 0
- Against: 0

10.

Update on Policy Plan

- Dylan Ingelse: Committee Development: The Actie had 3 events and sadly had to cancel their latest event due to bad weather. They still have 1 more event after the holiday.

The Barcie has had 4 events and is preparing for their fifth event, which is after the holidays.

The Chronicles finished the yearbook and is having their release very soon on June 17th

Feestcie had 2 events and is busy planning the psy-kickoff party for during the introduction days.

Illusie has had 2 events and is very busy planning their other events of which the closest is mentor weekend upcoming weekend.

LEX has had 3 events and is busy with their fourth one for after the holiday.

Opcie has had their career days.

Ouderdagcie had their parents day

Pedcie has had 2 events and is planning their third for after the holiday.

Reiscie had their preunion and trip and has their reunion tomorrow.

Wintersportcie did the preunion, trip and reunion.

- Žygimantas Pupelis: Opcie deserves an evaluation as well, first time without faculty it itself. Important to see how we did during the year and what we can improve on, because I think it is an important change and what VSPVU should stand for.
- Dylan Ingelse: Short evaluation and if not good enough than proper evaluation next General Meeting.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Short evaluation is not enough.
- Dylan Ingelse: I can say the most important things now and then discuss more properly next General Meeting.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I do not mean the career days it itself but the committee and involvement as Board.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Changes: No faculty involved. We always did it with Esther and she hired an intern for it. I would like to know the change.
- Dylan Ingelse: It is not alone because we still have our faculty contact

- Žygimantas Pupelis: We used to work together, not a contact person. I would like to know the feedback, attendance everything. how do we want to move on for next years,
- Dylan Ingelse: Some feedback right now, but I cannot promise we have all the details. Proper evaluation next General Meeting and in the meantime we can tell the 79th Board between the next General Meeting and now.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: We can move on now, but proper evaluation for the next General Meeting please. Also, Wintersportcie, what are you doing for next year? Prices are increasing, what's the solution to that?
- Robyn Bernhard: I think we saw and noticed that last year and this year the attendance dropped a bit and we also saw a difference with the other years that it was more expensive, so we looked at cheaper options and we found a price range that it way below it was last year and I think it will significantly help.
- Seliina Grath: Can you tell the price range?
- Robyn Bernhard: Around 500 starting price.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Wintersportcie consisted of 3 active members, what's the solution from that, what're you doing?
- Robyn Bernhard: My recommendation is to focus on Meet the Committees and explain on the instagram and the website what the committee entails and what an active member looks like and during the Meet the Committees we had to do it in the room and it was very chaotic, we advised the 79th Board to try hard and get people to join and become active, because we noticed it was very difficult.
- Anne Bruggink: In addition to this, we have meet the committees, but for the introduction kids, we will hand out flyers or magazines, in which we put a qr code or the explanation on paper what committees and active members entails, to tackle this in the beginning so people have something to look back on. Bigger solution for all the committees, also for the first years. Idea we talked about and are trying to gain members and also active members to inform first years right away.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Flyers and magazines will not slide because of sustainability. That we will avoid the use of paper.
- Anne Bruggink: Yes, if it is beneficial it might work. It isn't a flyer to throw away but part of a bigger thing. It is worked out but not finished yet. Good to know in regards to committees.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Have you looked at other ways of distributing.
- Anne Bruggink: We have and that is why we said flyer or magazine, we could also do it completely online, but since it is more than 1 qr code, they will get lost so we believe it is more beneficial to use little paper instead of sending 10 qr codes that people look over. That is why magazines and flyers are an option now. Also with keeping sustainability in mind. When necessary we can use the paper.
- Boaz Emanuels: If you've looked into alternatives than fine, but look into them first.
- Laura Kirin: To add, we did flyers for Congrescie and I think that was your idea Žygimantas Pupelis.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: This year you introduced the year schedule and gave them an extra event, did it work out or not? How's the budget responding to that?
- Dylan Ingelse: We do think it helped also because it gives committees an extra opportunity, if an event would fall through we would have to find another way and with the extra option after the holidays will help probably with attendance for first years. We think it is a good option. budget wise I would have to look at Robyn Bernhard

- Robyn Bernhard: I think budget wise it doesn't matter, that the committees have the option because most committees already have more money than they can spend during their events and this helps them use it and it gives them more creativity.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: To Dylan Ingelse, you said extra events in the beginning of the year?
- Dylan Ingelse: Yes
- Žygimantas Pupelis: LEX, Barcie and Actie already have events in the new year.
- Isabel Bartelds: For example Actie their event was cancelled due to circumstances, but it was optional but not anymore. So it is possible in the schedule.
- Kirsten Göbel: A lot of events were cancelled due to various reasons. What would you advise to the next Board?
- Isabel Bartelds: At first we did not implement deadlines for signing up and they would be very low and we would have to cancel, and then after we heard people would like to sign up. Since the sign up deadline it did help, so I would advise to continue using them and portray them on promotion.
- Edmond Agabekian: I believe last year I asked this same question and you had a nice thing for it. But have you also looked into the difference with last year, or have you not checked it yet? You cannot compare it if you do not look at it. Amount of cancellations. See if you got less cancellations.
- Isabel Bartelds: If I am correct there have been 2 cancelled events this year. I believe there were more than 2 cancellations last year, including Board hosted events.
- Dylan Ingelse: Events that were cancelled this time were because of bad weather or strikes.
- Edmond Agabekian: When you talk about cancellations, are these only events that have been put online and cancelled after, or events you decided not to organise?
- Isabel Bartelds: Speaking of events that were promoted online.
- Edmond Agabekian: But also look into event ideas. It is not only due to lack of sign ups. Committees also have this, so comparison that has been put online is not fair. So look at how many we had in the agenda and how many have been online and how many have been gone through. Ouderdagcie also had low attendance, was that discussed? Maybe we should talk about that.
- Mabel van Gent: When we made the committee there were only 4 interviewees, and only 1 person had it as their top priority. We put someone else in as well, but they dropped out because of personal circumstances. I went to lecture halls and no one wanted to join. So Robyn Bernhard and I did most of the work and Anaïs van Schalen did all the promo. I gave her the info too late, so the promo went out late so there were only 20-25 people that showed out and about the same amount of volunteers that helped out.
- Edmond Agabekian: So proper evaluation for the next General Meeting for Ouderdagcie then? But if it is a big event and not many members in the committee, maybe look into options like what Lucie has: committee year before to start prepping for example.
- Anaïs van Schalen: It sounds a bit counter intuitive because it is already difficult to find members for 1 year, why would 2 years be interesting? Plus the Parent's Day is not that big of an event? Lucie is 2 years work because the event is so big. Also would not be nice for committee members because then you are taking 2 years to plan 1 day. But I do think it is important to think about committee members and attendance, because last time we had 150 people. Then it was also the first time in multiple years that we organised it.
- Edmond Agabekian: You are totally right, maybe the idea was stupid.

- Žygimantas Pupelis: It was more personal, according to Mandy Schunselaar, and more mingling so the result was good.
- Anaïs van Schalen: If you like this more you can also think about deducing capacity for it.
- Edmond Agabekian: Žygimantas Pupelis made a right comment on evaluations, so I do not think it is practical to wait until the next General Meeting. Next thing: Feestcie first time it was done with invested money. If we wait until the next General Meeting, the 79th Board will have a policy plan and evaluation will not matter.
- Dylan Ingelse: About all the different committees is that we do not have that right now, but we can speak about it during the coming Board meetings, so we have right feedback for the 79th Board. and then proper evaluation during the next General Meeting so all members also have the evaluations.
- Edmond Agabekian: I think good first step but you are forgetting about the members, Board will meet and RvA will give their feedback but until the new Candidate Board will come with new Policy plan. so how do you know members can comment on the feedback. It is not just Board and RvA that have input.
- Kirsten Göbel: At the end of the year every committee has their own evaluation. Except for this from the Board is already evaluated. A little bit of that is already solved with that. The damage this year is already done, I think it is good to evaluate during a General Meeting to feedback other committees.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I do not think that the evaluation at the end of the year, some committees do it well but I do not think it is sufficient, but it could solve some things. It could be a good idea to have the 79th Board state what you are advise was and what they did with it and formed it into their policy plan. So members are aware of the 78th Board evaluation and make it more explicit than you would do normally. Then I am talking about a list with committees, advice and how the 79th Board implemented it.
- Maeve Hermers: Would you say put it in the Policy plan or during the General Meeting.
- Anaïs van Schalen: As explanation. So every problem they encounter, you tell the members what the solution is and why it is in the Policy plan like this.
- Dylan Ingelse: Also with getting back to the members, that is why I want to do it next General Meeting, but I do want the 79th Board to have it before they base their policy plan off of something they do not know.
- Edmond Agabekian: That is not the point, my point is that the 79th Board is making a Policy plan but before they do it, they want to hear the voices of the members. They cannot change their policy plan during the General Meeting. It will not change, there will only be a few small points. If a member makes a nice point, you will only hear it during that moment.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: I think we are past the point of the evaluation. It is a bit on us as RvA as well since we did not inform you. I think type up the evaluation, and send it to RvA or active member group chat or create some kind of open communication, so the Candidate Board gets their information and now you are talking back and forth.
- Anne Bruggink: We will evaluate the gala and make sure it gets to the 80th Board since the gala is biannual.
- Edmond Agabekian: I asked for an evaluation because it is the first time it has been invested by the previous Board.
- Kirsten Göbel: Maybe feedback form could be done this year as well, implement it now and it might work and Žygimantas Pupelis's idea could be carried out.

- Dylan Ingelse: I think Žygimantas Pupelis's idea was very good, so evaluate in Board meeting and then in active member chat so all members can be involved in the evaluation. You still get feedback from the members they can incorporate in their policy plan.
- Dylan Ingelse: The Piccie See document Isabel Bartelds.
- Maeve Hermers: You said the take over room shift, how would that work because now the Board cannot leave the room without the Board or other RvA member taking charge over the room.
- Isabel Bartelds: these are just ideas from members, they do not know all the rules so it could be an idea. Maybe if you do it in combination with a Board or RvA member. But that should be worked out first.
- Kirsten Göbel: The way we discussed it was that taking pictures was taking over Board tasks Piccie could take over, but I do not think people would be excited to take over a room shift, it was brain storming and at the end we came up with the food idea, so we think that is something we could have more popular, since taking the pictures did not work. That is why we thought we would change it.
- Anaïs van Schalen: Just for the 79th Board, the reason why that would not work, Piccie member by themselves in the room, so if the room sets on fire than you are fucked because you as Board are responsible.
- Edmond Agabekian: I heard a comment that it was weird that Piccie members have to pay for their tickets.
- Kirsten Göbel: For example a member broke his foot and he was supposed to picture the Actie and then he was wondering why he would have to pay if they did not participate. If you are able to participate then it makes sense, but if you do not participate in the activity then it does not make sense.
- Edmond Agabekian: I think it is a fair example, if you are in the Piccie and you do not want to attend the event, than I am not coming for the event, I am not taking any drinks or whatever, I think it should be fine. But at the moment if you are only participating half of the time, they should pay. The board is paying for every activity. Have there been members that have been complaining about paying?
- Kirsten Göbel: They have mentioned but they did get their tickets. For example in the LEX. You are still listening to it, so I think it is kind of a nice balance.
- Edmond Agabekian: I think the structure of the interviews have to change, because if they do not know they have to pay, they do not know what the Piccie is about.
- Isabel Bartelds: We said that explicitly in the interviews, but I agree it should be mentioned. I think by excluding big events like trips and weekends and galas, which are the most expensive, it is more doable for Piccie members. Because the events they do have to go to is max 10 euros, mostly around 5 euros or lower, I think that helps.
- Kirsten Göbel: Also because motivation was already low, and if people did not know many people, it was also weird to go there and they had a job to do and pay to do a job instead of enjoying taking pictures and taking part in the activity.
- Edmond Agabekian: It is what they signed up for.
- Kirsten Göbel: I think we tried to explain everything during the first meeting but people were already chilling and vibing and I don't know if it got through to them.
- Edmond Agabekian: Now you mention during the first meeting.
- Kirsten Göbel: We did it also during the interviews.
- Edmond Agabekian: It has to improve.

- Isabel Bartelds: We already said to be more strict on the selection process.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Never been a fan of the Piccie and I think it is a stupid committee. It doesn't have any meaning. The pictures used to be taken by Board member or Promotion Coordinator. so it would give the presence of the Board walking with the camera. Piccie members because they are just members they do not have the same responsibility they do not give a flying fuck. The idea for Piccie was that members came in and there was more availability and fun promotion. I did not see it happening, no nice videos, I saw it from the back of the room. I think it is a great idea of having foodie or moving to the food. We have been talking about expanding Barcie to food as well. Maybe it is time to move on, and they interchange roles within the Barcies and the pictures go back to the room. Board has to be there. Another question, liability waivers, did they sign them?
- Kirsten Göbel and Isabel Bartelds: Yes.
- Isabel Bartelds: In the beginning of the year it gave me the option to create more fun promotion, but I do agree when the year went along, it still became too much because there are so many other tasks and being present at events is also very taxing at some times, so I would advice to not give yourself that much pressure to do that because it can honestly be quite difficult and it could help if everyone from the Board feels more comfortable doing that. Not everyone feels as comfortable going on the stories in our Board. It makes more pressure on me to keep doing that, so I would recommend the 79th Board to either do it throughout the whole Board, or to do it sporadically but not put yourself on a high pressure.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: I think Piccie is taking the picture of the members, it is a pilot committee, I have not heard feedback but maybe not everyone feels comfortable with these members taking pictures. Doing it with the risk in the interview process, people accidentally go on exchange or on a 2 month trip. In my opinion Piccie should stop existing as it is now.
- Esmee Blankers: I do not understand what we are evaluating because we heard the chair and the committee but we did not hear yours. What's the evaluation?
- Isabel Bartelds: It is to keep a larger committee like Piccie, but to adjust the concept or change it into the Foodcie, depending on the 79th Board Board, or if you do want to keep it to have grave adjustments.
- Kirsten Göbel: Uncomfortable taking pictures, Piccie members told them that strangers were taking pictures of them because Piccie was not known within the VSPVU so they often took pictures of people they did not know and then they felt uncomfortable because the people they took pictures of were uncomfortable.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Anaïs van Schalen and Isa Witteman used to take pictures, so if you want to have more pictures ask Anaïs van Schalen.
- India Bartelings: If we change Piccie to a Foodcie, it does mean they will not continue making Piccie?
- Isabel Bartelds: That is up to you.
- Edmond Agabekian: Last week we had a General Board Meeting and we discussed Piccie as well and I proposed an idea where Piccie would change into something more diverse, not just picture making but also something else and everyone reacted well on that and I do not get that how it did not make the evaluation.
- Dylan Ingelse: It is in the advice.
- Edmond Agabekian: But you are talking about Foodcie now.

- Isabel Bartelds: It states that we recommend a bigger committee like Piccie, and then to either expand or change the concept. If you do not want Piccie then have it like a foodcie.
- Edmond Agabekian: About the sober shift for Piccie members, how did that go?
- Kirsten Göbel: I have not been to all events, I feel like all Piccie members stayed sober, but I think everybody complained about it. They did not like it, for example with the Barcie. I think on the one hand it worked, but they did not like it. Stuff like Barcies was quite hard to fill.
- Esme Blankers: If you do decide to change it and make a Foodcie I think you will run into the same problems, you should still implement all the changes you would implement on Piccie.
- Dylan Ingelse: Membership: We have obtained 201 new bachelor members and 20 new master members. We still miss a lot and do not expect to reach our goals of 240 and 30. The discounts were a good idea. However they were not visible enough this year and did not work that well. We also think looking into more valuable discounts will be more effective instead of the food discounts we offer now. This idea could work very well but with a few changes.
- Julia Horsmans: How did you promote the discounts this year?
- Dylan Ingelse: Through lecture talks and instagram. Also on the website but you do need to log in.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: What should the changes be?
- Dylan Ingelse: More visible, they are not very well known or people do not actively think about it. Also, the kinds of discounts we offer right now could be different. We offer mostly food places but we should also look into more places for students.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Are we able to provide the next discounts?
- Dylan Ingelse: This is not for membership but for stores. Like the Beren and the bowl.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: And the membership discount?
- Dylan Ingelse: We talked about it last General Meeting.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Do you want to do it again?
- Robyn Bernhard: We can advise the 79th Board to do it again, so they can make sure it is calculated in their budget. We cannot make the same investment as the 77th Board but I would advise to do it again. Because it helped us to get a lot of members.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: And savings? Cannot invest from it again?
- Robyn Bernhard: I can but then I have to vote it in.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Point I was trying to make, so think about it.
- Robyn Bernhard: But then we need to do it now, because the next General Meeting is in September.
- Dylan Ingelse: If we keep investing from savings every year we are going to run out of money. So if the discounts are going to be continued, it should be in the budget.
- Dylan Ingelse: Involvement and events: General meeting Engagement: We do not think the General Meeting bingo has worked. It did not really boost engagement and was sometimes also a bit disruptive during the General Meeting. Usually the bingo is done really fast and then the General Meeting carries on like normal. We would not suggest the 79th Board go on with this initiative.
- Anaïs van Schalen: You said that you would not recommend the General Meeting bingo. What would you recommend?

- Dylan Ingelse: We noticed that engagement is not the problem anymore, more attendance so the 79th Board could focus more on attendance and in this case there are so few active members and chairs, to make the General Meeting mandatory and if they are not attending they would have to sign out instead of sign up.
- Edmond Agabekian: Engagement yes, but during the year attendance was pretty low, but have you tried to get more attendance and in what way are your methods. Not having it on the the 78th Board Dominate 78. Have you done more things to make people attend?
- Dylan Ingelse: No not really. We have tried to tell our committees but not more than that.
- Edmond Agabekian: The bingo you advised got rid of because it did not engage people but if we are talking about attendance and bingo. What if you think about a big price, to get people to come to the General Meeting and make people vote on the Most Valuable Person (MVP) of the best replies.
- Maeve Hermers: It is kind of the same as Edmond Agabekians but you are talking about the attendance, why would you cancel the bingo if it is not the engagement but the attendance.
- Isabel Bartelds: We would not advise it this way because it can also be disruptive, so make something up differently.
- Kirsten Göbel: You have to sign out instead of sign in. I also want to suggest sending an email to all the members, that we have it coming and topics. Also what would be the consequence of not signing out?
- Žygimantas Pupelis: I think this conversation is a bit iffy because the problem of the General Meeting is not the attendance and the engagement, it is the length of the event. We have been at it for 6 hours. Maybe it is better to do it like a General Board Meeting, Board gets in, Policy plan and then out. Candidate Board in then out, budget in and then out. For some people they come for Candidate Board, others for the Policy plan.
- Dylan Ingelse: Good suggestion, we could look into the length which has been a problem for a while now. Same with Kirsten Göbels comment with consequences for not signing out. We cannot give a proper answer because we have not talked about it.
- Anaïs van Schalen: I think that you shouldn't need to punish people for not signing out, I think it is wrong because if you see it that way, we aren't children at the playground. They need to want to be here because they need to care about the association and help to improve it. So shortening the General Meeting's could be a solution, but you still have the fact that people do not care enough. so you need active members that want to be involved. So punishing them is not going to work. Coming Boards need to think about how to activate people and get the image across of having a General Meeting be fun and be involved in the association.
- Boaz Emanuels: Fair, this is reducing the symptoms, shortening the General Meetings might help and might draw in a couple more people. Attendance of the General Meeting, if people from the previous years, what are you left with? Basically the same people are not going to change a thing. More and shorter is not getting to the core of the problem. I also completely agree with Anaïs van Schalen, punishment is not the solution, go for the pain of the preach.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Can we move on? I only hear complaints, there is no solution for this.
- Dylan Ingelse: Recess: We discontinued recess and would recommend focusing on more quality events instead of quantity.
- Žygimantas Pupelis: Would you recommend something similar to recess or ban recess completely?
- Dylan Ingelse: We discontinued this recess because the amount of the events made the attendance drop also of other events. Fewer events of higher quality would be better for people attending. If there is another concept where they can have more quality events, it

would be a good idea.

- Žygimantas Pupelis: Like every two months have an open day for a random event. Like learning to juggle, make a pyramid, whatever.
- Boaz Emanuels: How long did you do the recess? Half a year. You met up with people from other associations that do have weekly borrels, also Gyrinus Natans but also other ones like Storm that do it, I am not saying you should continue. Do you know why this high quantity of events works for other associations and not us?
- Isabel Bartelds: I can speak for MF-VU. I was an active member. MF-VU has double the amount of committees and they have triple the amount of followers on instagram and have active members and are more involved. Not to bash them, but medicine is a play hard, work hard study. People there also like to party hardy, I would say that is happening. For MF-VU that is also why their weekly events work so well, more manpower, more money. Some associations also have money to give away free beer during borrels so I think budgets sometimes have to do with it.
- Boaz Emanuels: That was going to be my response. I get that they have more facilities, more money, followers and active members but there are a lot of other associations very comparable to ours that do not hand out free stuff. I get the discontinuation. I do want to advise the 79th Board to look into this, talk with other associations and figure out why things work for them. Not just considering this, also General Meeting attendance and all of that.
- Anaïs van Schalen: When you are in the room and there's something that was not at the General Meeting, ask why they were not coming. Because we do not know.
- Edmond Agabekian: I think you are missing the point of the evaluation, you've tried recess after half a year you decided to discontinue, in the meantime you make an hour a week free in your agendas but you have not thought about something different. That did not happen. What happens now is that you tried, did not work, discontinued, and advised the 79th Board. You are not saying what could work and now the 79th Board has to try something and work out something. This should have been done after you discontinued recess. This is about engagement in the room for example, because if you have a Policy plan recess then you would not talk about it anymore. Board and RvA missed the point of the Policy point.
- Isabel Bartelds: We just talked about this with Piccie as well, the food events are doing really well, those are the best selling events. They draw a lot of people to the room also with the member initiative, as you were talking just now at the evaluation of Piccie. It seems to be a factor that seems to be important to students for a low price, so that is something to look into as a substitution for example.
- Edmond Agabekian: Thank you, food is good indeed. You've had tosti events that went well, but then why were not there tostis anymore, is there difficulty with supplies. Did or did not work. It did not have to do with recess but room engagement. We have to evaluate that as well. Problems that you see. It is nice to say food works and they will try that and then supply might be hard. They might realise later instead of now.
- Dylan Ingelse: Thanks for the feedback. I do think we're reaching the end of the discussion right now.
- Dylan Ingelse: Dominate the 78th Board: Dominate the 78th Board has been finished. A lot of really fun and creative items have been sent in and Opcie is the winner in the end.
- Dylan Ingelse: Masters event: The masters event was held April 23rd in Utrecht with other psychology associations throughout the Netherlands.

- Esmee Blankers: Please evaluate.
- Dylan Ingelse: Organisation was a bit chaotic because 7 associations worked together, it is a bit shitty. Set deadlines, not only for you but also for them. The day before we had to get behind everyone's asses and organise a lot anyway whilst it was not our role. Either become a chair or be strict. There were not a lot of VU students. The opening by Erik Scherder had a lot of attendees so that was nice. At the end of the day people leave so they need to find a way to keep people more engaged. It is mentally draining and not a lot of people will stay. Shorten the event or find something more engaging.
- Anne Bruggink: We as VSPVU members of SSPN spoke about, was SSPN it itself, but we are talking to them right now.
- Dylan Ingelse: Promotion: We did 16 lecture talks. The merchandise we sell is on the TV and we still do not have physical posters except the ones delivered to us by the VU.
- Esmee Blankers: You did more lecture talks now, do you think it helped?
- Dylan Ingelse: After the lecture talks I did see a bit more interaction, both event and member wise. However I do not think the impact was big enough for it to be entirely useful. The bit of interaction we got was nice but it could be more. The way we do the lecture talks right now, because it is always during the break and people want to leave.
- Esmee Blankers: What's the recommendation?
- Dylan Ingelse: Try to ask professors to do the lecture talk at the start of the lecture or the start of the second half. Not all professors are okay with that so make sure you have field in that and then try to do it in the lecture itself. I did get resistance in the latter half from us joining the lectures.
- Dylan Ingelse: Health and safety: We will talk about the Social Safety plan later on with this General Meeting.
- Dylan Ingelse: Sustainability: We still stand behind our current sustainability plan but will not be setting extra boundaries now. We still do not print posters, do not use single plastic and try to recycle decorations where possible. We do agree stricter boundaries need to be set and will look into this together with the 79th Board.
- Rohit Soebdhan: Are there any ideas about boundaries that you can share right now?
- Dylan Ingelse: For example one of the points was Reiscie, being able to fly or take the bus. I think it should be a strict boundary, so not optional. either yes only the bus or no also flights but it does need to be mentioned.
- Seliina Grath: Are you saying that as advice for the 79th Board or 80th, because as the situation is for Reiscie next year is that they do not have a choice because of the flibus voucher. Is it more suggestion for 80th or the 79th Board?
- Dylan Ingelse: Still advised to put it in there for the 79th Board. Not the only thing you need strict boundaries on. More clearance should be better also during the year.
- Dylan Ingelse: Policy continuation: Committees: Nine out of fifteen committees have used their committee 10, we urge the remaining committees to still use committee ten. The last deadline to submit the committee 10 is June 25th. Otherwise the money will be reallocated to mini events and used for for example BBQ Borrel.
- Dylan Ingelse: Meetings: We are now in the process of our fourth General Meeting. All General Board Meetings have been held and we have had 6 General Board Meetings in total.

- Dylan Ingelse: Alumni: We sent out 2 newsletters to the alumni with all new information about the VSPVU. We asked why alumni events were not visited as well in the past years. We got some feedback from a few alumni. Some feedback points were: Someone felt too young and did not know what the target audience was. We also got feedback that the event should be either on Thursdays or Fridays since more people are available then. Another suggestion was that we do not do a borrel but an event like a sportsmatch.
- Dylan Ingelse: Member opinion: We did this during the Mini Event movie night and will do another one this year.
- Dylan Ingelse: Study sessions: Study sessions do not really work. Not a lot of people come to it and it is a lot of work. Due to low attendance our motivation for it also went down.
- Boaz Emanuels: You mentioned they are a lot of work, you put up a thingie and that should be that.
- Dylan Ingelse: It is not only that, also because of the low attendance we cannot leave anything there because it is used by other people. There is the qr code check in check out so we have to look at that. We also have to go there and check if people are there that aren't members. It takes up quite some time of your day. The room in the MF-building is not always working either. Which isn't doable and takes a lot of time.
- Isabel Bartelds: This is especially not doable if you have a room shift. If there would be someone else from the Board there, then it could work out.
- Boaz Emanuels: You opted to discontinue it, different ways to continue it were not feasible? Getting something in the MF-building.
- Mabel van Gent: W&N-building is getting torn down so there is very little availability.
- Dylan Ingelse: We did not discontinue it, we are evaluating that it doesn't work in our opinion.
- Rohit Soebdhan: About the member's opinion, you used it during the movie night. There were 3 active members and 2 members who never came back. Was it successful and how would you change it?
- Isabel Bartelds: I think doing the member opinion is successful because a lot of people replied, more interaction. That did not have an effect on the attendance of the event, so you have to find a way to connect this. Giving members the idea of having a voice is nice and that they can influence. It did not work for attendance in this case.
- Famke Zuidema: It says at least twice a year. Have you done that yet?
- Dylan Ingelse: I said we did it once and the second one is coming very soon.
- Dylan Ingelse: FAQ: We have looked into the FAQ and found some extra questions. However updating the FAQ is proving difficult due to technical reasons. We are working on it and will fix it.
- Dylan Ingelse: Member initiative: We had the iced drinks event which was a success. Thanks to that we now also have our ice machine.
- Dylan Ingelse: Social Safety: Some ideas have been mentioned during the Board meetings. We are looking into those and see if the 79th Board wants to continue with those ideas. We also have the sober shift accessories and they work well if they are used consistently.
- Boaz Emanuels: Is a further update going to happen in the next General Meeting?
- Dylan Ingelse: Once the ideas we have and we spoke to the 79th Board we will give proper evaluation about this, but it is at an early stage.
- Esmee Blankers: Why is this on the agenda for the second time when there is nothing to discuss?
- Anne Bruggink: It is in our Policy, because we need to make it more visible.
- Edmond Agabekian: Since the social safety plan is new, the question is confidential what it has been used for.

- Mabel van Gent: I do not think we can say.
- Edmond Agabekian: Based on this year, do you already need an extension on this document?
- Dylan Ingelse: Not that we felt a need to extend it, but we have ideas that could be good for it. Social Safety is a very broad subject, also more practical ideas for it.
- Isabel Bartelds: Some of the ideas would be more pro active, in the sense of not just giving people a document but more active ways of furthering Social Safety.
- Boaz Emanuels: Why would you not share ways to implement this?
- Isabel Bartelds: For example looking at facilitating training such as bystander training, which are proactive things because they provide knowledge and practical tips.
- Edmond Agabekian: Like Dylan Ingelse said, Social Safety is a very broad thing, when you put specific things on paper one by one, you can have 1000 things. I do not think you need it, based on the Social Safety plan, Boards can decide what they want to use for their policy plan.
- Boaz Emanuels: Social Safety policy is very broad, that's exactly something that should be tackled because now you are leaving it in the hands of certain members. Last time you went through it, there was a lot of feedback on the policy. I am curious what the changes have been.
- Dylan Ingelse: No changes.
- Boaz Emanuels: I would like to really underline that I disagree and we should make it more concrete to work with instead of broad general statements.

11. Idea box

- Mabel van Gent: The first idea that was mentioned a lot of times was the ice machine. Then we need to try and put down Dylan Ingelse. And now for the final idea, Rohit Soebdhan gives Dylan Ingelse an anytimer.

12. Important dates

1. June 16 - 22 Study sessions
2. June 18 Mini event
3. June 27 BBQ Borrel
4. August 20 - 22 Vu Introduction Days
5. August 22 Borrel #0
6. August 25 - 26 Vu Introduction Days
7. August 25 Meet The Committees
8. September 3 General Meeting #1

- Seliina Grath: I am wondering whether it is the first or second wednesday of September?
- Anne Bruggink: First.
- India Bartelings: Is the BBQ Borrel going to start before or after 18:00?
- Anne Bruggink: At 16:00.

13. A.O.B.

14. Questions or Comments

15. Closing

Dylan Ingelse closes the meeting at 00:56.