

GMM Minutes

SNT

28 November 2024

People Present - Luc Haaijer (Chairman), Ken Yeh (Treasurer), Jakub Stachurski (Secretary) Rein Fernhout (Board Member), Bob, Danielle, Eli, Jetse, Koen, Olaf, Sander, Silke, Thomas, Willem

1 Opening

Sander opens at 20:04

Hammer bangs on the floor

2 Setting the Agenda

No comments.

Another bang.

3 Proceedings previous GMM

A little bit of technical difficulties.

Not a large agenda. Sander is taking his time to process it.

3.1 Points about the previous GMM

- Who was there: Only the board on there. Minutes missing.
People present:
- Proceedings skipped.
- Point 5, 6, 7 → Verbose changes in membership.
- KCC → Audit.
- Half year reports. People not happy about the layout, very bad, not fun.
Focus more on formatting/Rewrite. (Silke)
Make sure that it is known who said what. (Koen)
Be clear, avoid shortcuts. (Silke)
Feedback noted.
- Discord mentioned
- Helpdesk → ?? → SNT Student helpdesk.
- Don't make stuff up. Record things, maybe ?!

3.2 Vote Intermission: Should the GMM's be recorded.

No objections. Meeting recorded from now on.

Recording problems, hardware support.

Does anyone run Windows?

No response...

Resuming GMM

// TODO: Check Summary...

3.3 Vote Intermission: Move the previous minutes approval to the next GMM

Clear majority vote. Moving minutes approval to next GMM...

4 Announcements by the board

Board switch. Luc Hartmans is in Taiwan, so it's better for him to give up his position as Treasurer. Sander is also leaving his position for personal reasons.

Minutes from the July-2023 switch are missing. Board is still looking. The previous boards won't produce them, and they are nowhere to be found.

Sander is a fan of the recording since it means fewer minutes will vanish.

5 2023 Policy Review

5.1 Member Flow

No questions.

5.2 Lisa Budget

Willem: What are the budgets for each year? It is a bit of unclear. 17.5k in 2023 15.5k now 12.5k signed 10.0k potentially
The LISA-SNT contact person is changed.

The budget cuts are also apparent across LISA and the UT.

Maybe reinstate some sort of helpdesk? The previous SNT-LISA contact person told us to just figure it out with the money we have. The new contact person might be different, since he is more positive about SNT

5.3 Rent

We have a strong case that the rent might go down. The LISA contract states that we cannot use their money on rent, which we do currently. Also, our budget is lowered.

All other associations around us are not playing as much as we do. We pay 6.8k now. The sport associations pay 2k together, while they have a 2x bigger room.

5.4 Lustrum

Luc Haaijer is working with Maaïke + old boards to do a lustrum activity. VB has been booked.

5.4.1 SNT Pings

Pings have been received well.

Pings event reflected on the GitLab repo.

Wi-Fi might have been killed during tests.

Lisa's mishandling of GitLab makes SNT's GitLab worked better, so people miss the SNT version.

Policy review approved *BANG*.

6 Financial report 2024

The balance sheet was not balanced, it is now.

Reflect numbers on the balance sheet from moneybird.

Update reserved so they match with moneybird.

Include interest.

All numbers balanced.

Danielle: Remark it would be helpful to include logs of changes. Willem: Is this the half year report of last year?

The agenda is wrong. This is a correction for last year's report and balance sheet.

Willem: There is a column named total. In the reserves. This is the difference in reserves.

The GMM has approved the Budget

7 Budget proposal 2025

This is a draft that has been sent to the SU and is not quite finished. It was proposed to show it. A budget needs to be approved in early 2025.

Dips into the reserves for servers.

Reduction in meeting costs for Syscom. The food is bought from general consumptions.

Proposal to reduce loss, instead moving the budget to consumptions.

Silke: If we decide to replace the server as often as we should, we will burn through all our money real quick. (Highlighting how many financial issues we have.)

We are burning through money, so the 10k deal from LISA is not going to be accepted by us.

Donald Duck subscription is grandfathered and difficult to get rid of it. It cannot be cancelled.

People are in favor of removing the Donald Duck subscription. We already have a lifetime of comics.

Moving to a pocket subscription is a possibility.

Danielle & Willem: Include everything in the next budget. Include use of reservations.

8 Change of the board

Sander and Luc (Hartmans) will not be a board member anymore. So the new board is proposed is -

Luc Haaijer (Chairman)

Jakub Stachurski (Secretary)

Ken Yeh (Treasurer)

Rein Fernhout (General Member)

Bob, are you okay to lift Luc Hartmans from our responsibilities? He did not leave things in order, but we can clean it up.

It is easier to discharge Luc Hartmans rather than drag him back from Taiwan.

The budget is mostly in order.

Change of board approved.

9 KCC Change

No change in KCC.

Daniëlle Huisman

Tobias Feijten

No updates.

Luc gets a hammer banging tutorial

10 BoA Change

Luc Timmermans will not be a BoA member anymore.

Daniëlle Huisman

Silke Hofstra

Xadya van Bruxvoort

Erik Fentrop

Change in BoA approved.

11 Policy of the Board

11.1 Infrastructure refresh

20k will be spent on new servers.

11.2 Accessibility for new Members

Finding new members is hard. The accessibility is a bigger issue for SNT. Hard problem to solve.

11.3 LISA Contract

The new LISA contact person for SNT seems to be more willing to negotiate in our favor. The board will try to keep them happy. The contract was signed for this year. Done

11.4 Reputation/QoS

The problem is smaller than we thought, after some clarification.

11.5 Member administration

DAS dead, member administration reconstruction is done. A better program in for administration is in the works. Danielle is working on it. And it includes a lot of more elements. 2013 had a DAS wipe. The latest DAS database has been cross-checked with LDAP.

Koen: SNT sent 0 euro invoices to clients to them people that they had a service at SNT.

11.6 Widening SNT's outreach

SNTPings were a good way for advertising. More advertising now that we have a full board.

11.6.1 Cooperation with startups

Collaboration with NovelT, hosting for startups. Interesting idea.

Willem: Hosting for startups is not the best idea. Danielle: You cannot run commercial services off SurfNet. Idea has been discarded

Another idea for outreach is a guest lecture about hosting. Might fit in Q3.

11.6.2 Lunch lectures

Lunch lectures are expensive.

Sending people messages about lectures with free food also works.

Willem: Teachers might help promote them using canvas announcements etc.

11.6.3 Sponsored hardware

Silke: Any ideas for sponsored hardware? The ftp servers were sponsored before. Sponsored hardware is good for the budget. Right now, no ideas.

11.6.4 Additional ideas

Potential sponsors who already reached out. ID3 and Evo

Willem: Old SNT members are in some companies, might be a good idea to hit them up.

IRC infra is difficult.

Jetse: Anything you can save on servers using sponsorships, will lighten up the budget problems. Rein: Public services like FTP or IRC are really desired by sponsors.

11.6.5 Tangent: (Seemingly) dead committees

Some committees are not really represented at the GMM, but are quite alive. FTPcom is actually represented.

Policy plan approved. "Same as always"

12 Inquiry about member administration

Need to keep addresses of members, can you keep the email instead of a street address?

Denied.

Change the statutes, which is free/subsidized by the SU, but it takes work. Another discussion about LDAP, LDAP has issues.

Silke: Send any statute changes to the BoA if you want to update it.

13 Questions and final remarks

Rein: Idea: New members signed up through SSH. Jetse: Note the fingerprint on the poster.

Danielle: The GMM is a bit out of order. Be a bit more professional. No alcohol and keep documents organized.

Eli: Good luck. Done a lot of good things.

Jetse: I hope Eli's wishes come true.

14 Closing

Luc closes at 21:30