



Election General Assembly Fall 2018

Wednesday, January 16th 2019

List of those present

Universalis Social Board and Academic Council: Mishael Qadeer, Esther Salem, Juliette van den Brule, Ruben Dominguez Payne, Laura Robinson, Jonathan Schoen, Hannah Savage, Erick Jackaman, Freya Walker

Independent Body: Sander Browsers and Phineas Shapiro

Universalis Members: Stephen McCarthy, Sam Lord, Cata Schlienger, Francesco Giura Longo, Caden Puah, Unnati Mukherjee, Vilde Toft, Elisabeth Hiller, Elian Schure, Venja Beck, Lara Giersihmann, David Weyl, Pierre Schimt, Era Georgade, Judith van Lookeren Campagne, Eva Bartner, Claudius Gulk, Klara Meyer-Wehrnanin, Lea Bickel, Dora Debravec, Marie Rasche, Julian Kopke, Laurens van Irsel, Jakob Muller, Marla Schiefeling, Max Grigutsch, Ela Jade Unal, Michiel Nieuwenhuijs, Sofie Stoffel, Chao Wang, Sarah Kortl, Maddalena Fazzo Cusan, Silvia Tosato, Isabella Rix, Mattia Bertolini, Lioc Martin, Joshua Hellinger, Oscar Smith, Dennis Katwal, Laurent Hebette, Theresa Rehe, Lucas Le Goff

Proxies: Sarah Devriendt, Bente Vissel, Marialisa van de Poll, Sarah Hidma, Lea Pehnt, Carlotta Kunze, Selma Yacoubi, Aemy Hooijer, Rachel Orchard, Julieta Barragan Sosa, Felix Boxler, Eliot Greenman, Alix Head, Soraya Berger, Becca Bowers, Joel Beuerle, Clara Goraieb, Nelia Mayer-Rolshan, Sylke van Duijnen, Juliane Rapp

Overview and Purpose:

To elect new Universalis and IB members

Minutes:

Ruben Dominguez Payne: The agenda for today (on slide) the agenda must be approved.

We will present the the candidates and vote

Thilo Bucholz: we will not be doing an audit

Ruben Dominguez Payne: audit of candidates

Ruben Dominguez Payne: amend statutes, we will be voting on the statues, surplus budget for the rest of the semester, spring 2019 budget and it is something new: we recognize the 3 weeks never gets voted upon before

Ruben Dominguez Payne: after that we will have questions and

Pierre walked in late

Jonathan Schoen: motion to discuss the functioning of the IB

Freya Walker: Can it be at the end?

Jonathan Schoen: I prefer it before the election

Ruben Dominguez Payne: ad hoc motion to amend agenda, before point 8 election of IB

Ana Rosas: I second

Phineas: the GA needs to first be opened in order to fill in motions

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: hereby announces the GA open

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: Do I have a second for Jonathan's motion?

Ana Rosas: second the motion

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: all those in favour

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: Please raise hands higher

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: majority, motion passed

Erick Jackman: when are we discussin motions that have been submitted

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: motons can be discussed right after bringing up the committee Minutes from previous GA

Ruben Dominguez Payne: We recognize that they were submitted late

Erick Jackaman: when?

Mishael Qadeer: today and late, it's my mistakes

Phineas Shapiro: technical point: minute are supposed to be posed 2 weeks in advance

Jonathan Schoen: pushing them to next GA

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: Adhoc motion to push the forward to the next Ga

Freya Walker: I second

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion passes

Ruben Dominguez Payne: We will now present the Universalis social board candidates

Ruben Dominguez Payne:: First up we have Cata

Cata Schielenger: i'm a second year at UCM and im proposed candidate
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: if you have any questions you may raise them, Phineas is walking around with a ballot, with a yes no or abstained vote
Vilde Toft: do you have anything you want to improve
Cata Schielenger: as secretary, part of it my job but also helping the people from social board, helps then in the process but no clear idea now but once in the job, it will be clearer aspects. As of right now, solve problems in a sensitive way
Mattia Bertolini: How long are you planning to stay?
Cata Schielenger: half a year but i see myself for a year, i'm not going abroad but i can give a more precise answer once i'm in the job
Stephen: are you member of any other organization or assocaition that may take up your time
Cata Schielenger: no
Freya Walker: why do you wanna be on the SB
Cata Schielenger: student body in high school and i'm very much missed out last year and i want to be part of the board to bring changes and make a good uni place
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: Thank you very much
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: Next up we have Ela
Ela Jade Unal: hi i'm ela, second year and position external executive. My star sign is taurus, rising is gemeny
Hannah Savage: important information
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: any questions?
Stephen McCarthy: member of external organization
Ela Jade Unal: not entirely
Stephen: will you be able to handle the workload?
Ela Jade Unal: yes
Vilde Toft: how do you think you can improve in the SB
Ela Jade Unal: change the social board?
Ela Jade Unal: I plan on maintaining how the job has been done and I have a few ideas to add, new projects, improving the communication between the SB and student body
Stephen: student relations is usually social exe so more about other faculties and UCSRn, do you have experience, did you go to any of the events?
Ela Jade Unal: last year I went to all of the events, except the tournament. So I understand how they work, but I am getting help with the tournament
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: any further question?
Freya Walker: why do you want to be on the social board?
Ela Jade Unal: as i already said before.
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: cool thank you
Stephen McCarthy: consolidate clapping to save time
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: consolidate clapping in the end
Ruben Dominguez Payne:: next up we have Oscar, no clapping
Oscar Smith: oscar second year and for acquisition executive
Stephen McCarthy: are you a member of external organization that would take up your time
Oscar Smith: that is a question that was completely unexpected, I am but I do very little with it
Hannah Savage: what would your role be in MT?

Oscar Smith: there will be some changes, not through transition yet
Ana Rosas: what the acquisition executive position?
Oscar Smith: I like talking and interacting with people, the whole not shutting up issue. I have experience in the past interacting with companies to organize events and I would enjoy it
Ruben Dominguez Payne: If there are no further questions?
Ruben Dominguez Payne: Following we have the candidates for the AC
Ruben Dominguez Payne: first up we have Sam
Sam Lord: good evening everyone: name sam and for treasurer in AC. good candidate: passionately involved in high school and very good with money as friends would say that, I would definitely be able to help the student body
Ruben Dominguez Payne: any questions?
Theresa Rehe: specific the ideas?
Sam Lord: mainly focused on how grading is done, I am concerned about Tutee marker bias and I would like to investigate it
Matthieu Marienbach: repeat term
Sam Lord: tutee marker bias
Pierre Schmit: elaborate because don't know what those things are,
Sam Lord: I would like to investigate whether having a certain student in your class leads to biased marking
Joshua Hellinger: how as treasurer can you influence that?
Sam Lord: that would not be specific to the treasurer role, I would be on the EPC and I can do that there
Stephen McCarthy: favorite color? Joke - are you member from other organization? That takes times
Sam Lord: I am a member of another organization but I can manage it
Stephen McCarthy: do you have a plan for this?
Sam Lord: priority for AC
Ruben Dominguez Payne: Next Elizabeth Hiller
Elizabeth: My name is Elizabeth hiller and I am a science student. I wanted to be on the AC and I wanted to make sciences more represented at UCM
Eva Batner: do you have an idea how you're gonna do that?
Elizabeth Hiller: no a particular idea, not that creative. Perhaps talks with MSP to see what skills and courses we lack
Pierre Schmit: do you think you would you would manage to be on AC and weekly sports events
Elizabeth Hiller: yes definitely. Sports has always been so important to me so yes
Maddalena Cuso: what about waffle wednesdays
Elizabeth Hiller: waffle wed takes about 2 hours a week and a good place to talk to people
Ruben Dominguez Payne: any further questions?
Stephen McCarthy: as I previously mentioned, are you member from any other organizations that would take time?
Elizabeth Hiller: no
Ruben Dominguez Payne: Now we will have a short audit from IB about our election process

2 people left the lecture hall

Phineas Shapiro: in broad strokes, the process went as expected. The only comment we have is if the SB and AC communicated with one another to ensure the best candidates are selected, regardless of what position they applied for. The interviews were fair.

Ruben Dominguez Payne: thank you. Following is the amendment to the agenda. Based on Jonathan's ad hoc. WOULD you like to come up

Jonathan Schoen: no, not per se.

Ruben Dominguez Payne: if you could please redirect your voice

Jonathan Schoen: for multiple reasons I wasn't able to fill in motion form. The IB Does a really good job, but they lack transparency of their own processes, I think it's only fair that they get the same process as we get. I propose that we set up another body to check or other option

Thilo Bucholz: Explained IB election procedure

Thilo Bucholz: Phineas and Sander applying for IB again, we asked advisory council who conducted interviews with us. Why should you let us be a bit less democratic? Regardless of outcome of interviews, with the applying people, all candidates are proposed to GA and present themselves to the people. Always formal procedure to see if candidates fill basic criteria for the role. Understood what is being said?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: my personal understanding of why this point was raised by Jonathan was because the advertising for the positions was not done well, and the deadline was pushed forward and some candidates applied after this and this was not advertised

Jonathan: i definitely agree election process is in GA, idea is to see the independence of the IB but certain criteria should be fulfilled, like professionalism and not just election process

Phineas Shapiro: this is my personal perspective, not as the IB. Auditing the auditor creates the level of bureaucracy that we don't really need. Re-election is justification enough, and you can bring it up when we are being re-elected.

Ana Rosas: for election procedure when should the position should be announced relation with SB with AC

Phineas Shapiro: ideally the SB and AC should know what to do

Ana Rosas: are you supposed to remind us of when to start procedure?

Thilo: we have no obligation to do so. We saw a lot more cooperation between the SB and AC. But it is not our actual task

Ruben Dominguez Payne: due to time and discussion and no decision conclusion, we shall move on

Jonathan Schoen: my motion remains

Phineas Shapiro: advisory body cannot be compelled to do anything. Even if to request they have no obligation to request anything

Jonathan Schoen: I would still like request it

Ruben Dominguez Payne: move to vote whether GA decided to produce audit for next GA

Mishael Qadeer: I second

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those in favour, against, abstain

Ruben Dominguez Payne: noticing that there is no majority the motion does not pass

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I hit my computer

Ruben Dominguez Payne: IB candidates

Phineas Shapiro: I am in my 3rd semester and I think you all know me

Stephen McCarthy: do you think being a member of external organization that would take up your time?

Phineas Shapiro : I am a member of faculty council

Stephen McCarthy: year long?

Vilde Toft: why do you wish to continue?

Phineas Shapiro: I wish to continue because I don't feel like I'm done

Mishael Qadeer: we have concerns with your neutrality in the past and you spend lots of time in boardroom and others. I want to know if it proves any independence from you

Phineas Shpario: Independence exists on spectrum

Hannah Savage: Yes please

Phineas Shapiro: I could not talk to Ruben that I am very good friends with, it shows that I can call out my fri even if it requires X don't have to sit down and say what was done wrong

Mattia Bertolini: I would like to further Mishael's concerns and questions. What is the role of the IB in terms of policy creation and watching the SB and AC?

Phineas Shaprio: the IB should be heavily involved that what is done by SB AND AC is in line with mission statement. Think about it like their government and we are the court so we need to be involved. Basically i think it's okay to be involved in statues and policy manual but no desire to be involved in day to day business and don't think I have involvement unless some advices on budget

Mishael Qadeer: is it true that you applied after deadline and that it was not advertised?

Phineas Shapiro: yes

Maddalena Cuso: could you repeat that?

Phineas Shapiro: trouble with advertising and fully admit extension of deadline enough

Judith Campagne: I would also like to go home early, so people should not be cut short since this is what the GA is for

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Thank you

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Next we have Sander

Sander Brouwers: I'm not done as well mainly because i have the feeling because changes can be made within IB like communication with each other. All active members of a lot and need to find a way to make it work

Ana Rosas: what have you done in the IB for the last semester?

Sander Brouwers: past semester is mostly problems regarding motions, ga but not as active as Phineas & Thilo due to personal reasons but also way more capable than I am regarding such issues but i'm distinguishing myself from them

Phineas Shapiro: I think you were probably the most diplomatic of all of us

Stephen McCarthy: are you member of any organization that would take time waya

Sander Brouwers: yes

Stephen McCathy: how do you plan on dealing with this

Sander Brouwers: I have for all the GA and all the meetings, made time to ensure that this is taking care of

Stephen McCarthy: willing to sacrifice

Sander Brouwers: yes

Unnati Mukherjee: Finds designated amount of time to stay since you're the most diplomatic

Thilo Bucholz: to spend on the IB per week or semester

Ruben Dominguez Payne: no there is not. Thank you very much. Following we have Thilo

Thilo Bucholz: I am on the IB since 2017, I am not very involved in committees at UCMSA. I am super involved in external societies. I am not independent in that way, but it is very nice to have more people to oversee UCMSA. Questions?

Stephen McCarthy: previous election, you asked not to be elected, are you happy you were in IB last semester

Thilo Bucholz: Yes I am happy. If I hadn't been there, it would not be valid since you need to have three people. Being on the IB also allowed me to oversee the statues and passing on knowledge helped

Laura Robinson: would you like to be elected next semester? If you had voting power

Thilo Bucholz: I would put that to the vote of the GA. I do not take a stance here. I can do that if you want me to, because that also ties into independence

Ruben Dominguez Payne: any further question?

Matthieu Marienbach: what is the orange stuff on the picture

Thilo Bucholz: that is from Feb from last year, not as part of the IB for the rights of Afghan refugees here.

Ruben Dominguez Payne: thank you and last but not least, David

David Weyl: I am in my first year and I am applying for IB

Esther Salem: why do you want to join the IB?

David Weyl: it is important because they work between AC and SB and that helps us contribute

Stephen McCarthy: are you member of an other organization that would take time away

David Weyl: I am a part of Rhetorica but that will not take away time

Ana Rosas: how can you contribute to the IB

David Weyl: I have different perspectives

Ruben Dominguez Payne: any further questions? No. Thank you very much

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Now we will collect the ballots

Jonathan Schoen: who's counting votes?

Phineas Shapiro: The IB for SB and AC, and advisory council for IB

Ruben Dominguez Payne: members of the advisory council that are present are Mattia and Stephen

Thilo Bucholz: it ill be public so you can come see us counting votes, proxies do not have Ballots they only have votes favour, against or abstain

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I need to pee

Laurent Hebette arrived late

Jakob Muller: I was not sure that you can vote for more than just three positions

Thilo Bucholz: thanks for making this clear. We'll try to make it clearer next time

Ruben Dominguez Payne: This next little section will be on committees. We have on little announcement and a few motions

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Firstly we have had a candidate committee functioning. After evaluation they have become official

Lea Bickel: We did some really nice events like workshops and dinner and hopefully more people join from now on and we can contribute to the UCM community

Ruben Dominguez Payne: continuing we have two motions, title new committee, ENBY, noticing there is high interest is gender, sexuality

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Eric will present the motions

Jonathan Schoen: Vote on everyone to hear the motion

Ruben Dominguez Payne: read the motion out and see if continued or not

Erick Jackaman: reads motion; proposes that ENBY is officially made a committee at this GA

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Do i have a second, question or comments?

Jonathan Schoen: I understand the need for motion for budget now but realised but it goes against policy manual, student can come with committee and can become committee for a period not semester. Organize events but after a month is a try out but can say you are no longer a committee which is a fair procedure

Erick Jackaman: the policy manual says that equivalent of the trial period, but in weeks it has been that. I understand I would get money, but it becomes more democratic if we are made official

Judith Campagne: Clarification for month?

Jonathan Schoen: try out is a semester

Laura Robinson: been in trial for a month but not lots of people were aware of this and by proposing it is creating exposure that committee exists and it's not about getting lesser rights but a trial period which is fair. Next GA, can raise to have budget

Erick Jackaman: In response to this, I would recommend to take away this candidate committee stage anyway. I do not think that this creates any benefit. The board never allocated budget to this

Thilo Bucholz: question to the board, article 6: has this been taken yet? Did it yet pass?

Jonathan Schoen: they have not even reached candidate committee status

Laura Robinson: policy manual very valid but fact we want to make changes and until they're made it is safe to follow procedure because it's a lot more fair

Ruben Dominguez Payne: further comment?

Erick Jackaman: on the one hand you have fairness and following the policy manual, however on the other hand you could already vote for it and add money

Matthieu Marienbach: support initiative, it might set expectations where committee can request budget weeks before GA. how can you justify that for future committee

Erick Jackaman: I guess firstly, I hope the policy manual would be changed and you could still deny the budget

Thilo Bucholz: seem that change policy for candidate and hy did you propose policy change

Erick Jackaman: I was actually advised against making a policy change, which came from the IB

Ruben Dominguez Payne: update for all of you, this semester there will be update and amendment of policy manual. If there is nothing else?

Ela Unal: if the policy manual is being revised and committee because no trial period because of budget but propoe for temporary budget while policy manual is being revised

Ruben Dominguez Payne: to my understanding, the for or against that we will be voting for will be decided by the GA and will not have to abide by the policy manual

Phineas Shapiro: when the GA passes policy manual, no unilateral authority, a motion to create committee like if its contradicting policy manual it would not be possible

Ruben Dominguez Payne: we need an adhoc motion to amend the statues

Phineas: you can't have an ad hoc

Ruben Dominguez Payne: you're saying we can't vote for it

Mishael Qadeer: I was under the impression, that the policy manual is a set of guidelines for universalis and not something we can waver if there is an agreement of the GA

Phineas Shapiro: Article 2.21 is binding X

Ruben Dominguez Payne: limit this to 2 further comment

Laura Robinson: changed in the same way as changing statutes
Phineas Shapiro: same way you would change the statutes
Laura Robinson: can't vote on policy manual but erick would like budget so can we vote to allow him to request budget
Ruben Dominguez Payne: as a candidate committee, erick is asking finances to be transparent but people wouldn't see it clearly until spring 2019
Laura Robinson: voting on that
Ruben Dominguez Payne: can't vote that because of policy manual
Mishael Qadeer: by law you need to stick to statutes, is there anything regarding candidate committees in there?
Thilo Bucholz: We have article 18 and 20 of the statutes
Ruben Dominguez Payne: Can this be passed alongside policy manual
Thilo Bucholz: this motion can be passed but it won't be effective
Erick Jackaman: can i request budget now?
Phineas Shapiro: to my understanding, it would have to be done with the understanding of the board
Ruben Dominguez Payne: chat on facebook with board but it wouldn't be clear as it could be because wait till next GA
Erick Jackaman: Could I make an ad hoc motion to the SB's budget
Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion was withdrawn
Ruben Dominguez Payne: moving on
Thilo Bucholz: results from voting. For AC AND SB all have been approved, you can come check the vote
Mattia Bertolini: Also everyone got confirmed
Vilde Toft: all four
Mattia Bertolini: all four.
Ruben Dominguez Payne: following are the proposed statutes. We submitted these statutes to the community 5 working days ago. This is our legal backbone, bear understanding including SB, AC, Committee members and non-affiliated students. It will be taken to notary by 3 students, if allowed by the GA
Jonathan Schoen: update from last GA, motion for team of people to do all of this and also amending manual and open t discussion about it
Ruben Dominguez Payne: questions or comments on statutes? No.
Phineas: should we read them?
Ruben Dominguez Payne: no
Ruben Dominguez Payne: do i have a second
Freya Walker seconds
Ruben Dominguez Payne: proposed statutes passes
Ruben Dominguez Payne: several motions on surplus budget. If you guys remember, we had an understanding that we did not have enough money. We have 5900 euros left in surplus. If the money is not spent it goes into savings
Ruben Dominguez Payne: so we several motions
Ruben Dominguez Payne: music committee motion, for music equipment worth 1155,10 euros
Ruben Dominguez Payne: do I have second
Hannah Savage seconds

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Comments or questions?

Judith Capagne: Can this be used for other committees as well?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: All property that any committee buy is the UCMSA property, however there is a signing sheet to ensure equipment is not broken or lost

Stephen McCarthy: Current secretary of music and future president, please sign up sheet and notify me and the board and your executive if you're a committee

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those in favor

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 4 abstentions

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion passes

Matthieu Marienbach: It's a bit hard to vote on budget without knowing other requests

Mishael Qadeer: we could hear all motions and vote in the end

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion submitted by AC Internal executive, for photoshop 135 for reimbursement

Ruben Dominguez Payne: appropriation of budget by eva for party. Over spent by 500, proposes 500 surplus for a party next semester

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Second motion from party, a photobooth is desired. For equipment worth 800-1000 euros

Judith Capagne: I would like to hear definite numbers and not estimate

Ruben Dominguez Payne: change of price?

Matthieu Marienbach: We don't know if we want to have a refurbished one, because it might break and it could be spread over a lot of events

Ruben Dominguez Payne: come up with a total of all of them and then each motion will be voted upon.

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion for a sound ball from meditation. Cost 40€

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion submitted by film. More equipment worth 400 euros

Ruben Dominguez Payne: charity committee for waffle wednesday, funds for next semester

Ruben Dominguez Payne: is the money for active members night for this semester or this one?

Mathieu: Marienbach: We thought we would not have had the money, and now that we have the money we want to spend it this semester

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Reinstate active members night which was cancelled last GA. establish with 1000€ to thank full semester active members

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion on security closet for music committee. Cost: estimate 1000€

Jonathan Schoen: total of the motions are 5025.10 euros

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 5025.10€ in total

Joshua Hellinger: Motion for event in February, is it part of the motions presented here?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: this is for this semester and not the next one

Maddalena Cuso: 1000€ included?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: guaranteed 13000 euros going into our saving accounts

Mattia Bertolini: when can we comment on motions?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: during vote of each motion

Laura Robinson: I just want to confirm with film if they are asking for 400 or 204?

Vilde Toft: asking for 400€

Laura Robinson: So you are asking for 400?

Vilde Toft: leave it at 204€

Ruben Dominguez Payne: we will discuss and vote on motions
Laura Robinson: when can we file ad hoc motion
Ruben Dominguez Payne: during discussion before vote
Laura Robinson: it is not taking into account events that have already been allocated for
Ruben Dominguez Payne: starting off with Film
Ruben Dominguez Payne: technical point from Ana
Ana Rosas: if we accept all budget, how much it would it be?
Laura Robinson: 4834€ unless we get a new ipad than 5034€
Ruben Dominguez Payne: would the film committee like defend their budget or are there any questions
Ruben Dominguez Payne: 3 abstentions and motion passes
Ruben Dominguez Payne: music committee concerning on lighting and mics
Phineas Shapiro: Ruben we passed that
Ruben Dominguez Payne: reimbursement for AC for executive
Stephen McCarthy: considering this is a reimbursement, and that it is for a universalis duty. Is the account tied to personal email or work email
Erick Jackaman: tied to personal email, money for duration of my time
Ruben Dominguez Payne: we have photoshop on our computer
Stephen McCarthy: why was the work computer not used?
Erick Jackaman: Me and Jonathan both use it and it was not always ideal for me to use the work computer
Laura Robinson: universalis allocates money for photoshop that hasn't been used yet in which case we don't need to pass anything but file it as general reimbursement, need to make sure details are shown
Ruben Dominguez Payne: any further comments or queries
All those in favours
Ruben Dominguez Payne: 4 against, 6 abstentions
Motion passes
Phineas Shapiro: I had a lighter if you want something that makes noise
Ruben Dominguez Payne: I don't know how that's supposed to work?
Ruben Dominguez Payne: continuing, excess budget for ipad pro for case and waited base
Ruben Dominguez Payne: any comments queries?
Mattia Bertolini: Would this be money saved on photographers?
Matthieu Marienbach: it is complementary, photographers are 200 euros a night, we would also have a photographer in combination
Mattia Bertolini: Isn't it a great way to support photographers as there is budget
Matthieu Marienbach: can do both, we have members taking pictures.
Marie Sophie: Would it be possible to get a second or third photographer instead of getting an ipad?
Matthieu Marienbach: I have nothing against supporting photographers, we would have both next gala.
Vilde Toft: these photographers, are they external or are they students from uni?
Eva Bartner: last person was from msp, we contacted multiple students and made a decision on what we liked best
Ana Rosas: how are you gonna make sure it is not stolen or damaged

Matthieu Marienbach: suggestion not equipment, we're suggesting for entire UCM community and we want to use for gala and store it where we store the rest

Ruben Dominguez Payne: personally, if this is bought, the ipad would most likely be kept in the boardroom

Mattia Bertolini: both photography and photobooth but other committees would maybe not use photo booth but phone

Matthieu Marienbach: I don't have the competence to answer philosophical questions. I am older and I have gone to loads of weddings and photo booths give me different memories

Joshua Hellinger: take photos why don't buy cameras because of better quality than ipad

Matthieu Marienbach: a photobooth set up requires a screen and a camera

Cata Schielenger: what happens if they break, allocate extra budget every time

Matthieu Marienbach: we organized a gala in a bookstore, and nothing was damaged so it should be fine

Maddalena Cuso: theatre took pictures and were possible just because one had much experience in photography. Without her, wouldn't have been possible so it would be a good suggestion

Vilde Toft: UCM does have a proper camera that students are allowed to borrow, the camera is used to borrow the camera

Freya Walker: disagrees because not for parties

Gwendolyn Thyen: we don't have to get an ipad we can get cheaper cameras

Matthieu Marienbach: To Vilde, glad we have a camera because for other purpose it is useful but for photobooth you need screen. Regarding tablet, only ipad has best quality so far. Suggest budget and we make research on the tablet after

Ruben Dominguez Payne: do I have a second for this motion?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I count 22

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Raise your hands higher

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I count 25

Phineas Shapiro: I count 26

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those against

Phineas Shapiro: 13

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those abstaining

Ruben Dominguez Payne: the motion does not pass

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Next the, sound ball for meditation, 40€

Ruben Dominguez Payne: any defense comments or queries

Stephen McCarthy: What is a sound ball?

Marie Sophie: Ball that you gong and its starts the meditation because sometimes with app to make it correct

Jakob Muller: as a person that has attended a lot meditation, it can be very useful because the guide can also look away from their phone and it is just cool to have a gong

Ruben Dominguez Payne: second for motion, all those in favour

Ruben Dominguez Payne: one against

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 5 abstentions

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion passes

Ruben Dominguez Payne: reinstatement of active members night. 1000 euros

Ana Rosas: not in favour, 1000 € is extensive and keep active member night

Ruben Dominguez Payne: ad hoc motion. We need an actual amount of reduction but not something this vague

Ruben Dominguez Payne: do we want to discuss this further?

Erick Jackaman: 1000€ is fine for event according to what happens, but it should be open to everyone even if active members would should up.

Judith Campagne: it only makes sense to organize active members night at ucm

Ruben Dominguez Payne: traditionally, idea is organized by social executive and venue and take board games and get drinks to say thank you to committee board and personally agree it shouldn't be private event

Jonathan Schoen: I agree with sentiment of open but it's also about getting invitation and inviting active members personally. Furthermore, i'll organise it 110 of people last year so common room would be too small so no choice for external venue

Stephen McCarthy: that is how it was done in the past, some people from outside did join.

Supporting Jonathan's point

Michiel Nieuwenhuijs: having experience in organizing party and not at ucm and need venue and need free, 1000€ is not that much

Jonathan Schoen: 10 euro per person

Ruben Dominguez Payne: do I have a second

Ruben Dominguez Payne: All those in favour

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 5 against

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 8 abstentions

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion passes

Jonathan Schoen: needs to be organized before end of semester. Okay I will try my best, I don't need to pass my project

Ruben Dominguez Payne: push it a week if necessary if it does not last too much

Esther left

Ruben Dominguez Payne: music committee security closet. Will this have wheels?

Stephen McCarthy: negotiable

Vilde Toft: will other committees also have access to something like this?

Stephen McCarthy: If I can respond i put it through for music committee but it would be for universalis. All equipment is being used by all committees. I still noticed that our amount of equipment is growing. Locks and codes are only known by committee executives. Better situated in oksaal

Phineas Shapiro: from my perspective, it definitely needs to be organized better. But we can use ikea equipment and it can be in the locked oksaal

Stephen McCarthy: to respond, while the oksaal is indeed locked i know of vulnerabilities that make the lock worthwhile

Jonathan Schoen: to quickly clarify Vilde's point, all items universalis owns it can be used by any committee as it is all property of universalis as a whole.

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I personally don't feel this level of security measure is necessary and is spending money for the sake of the money

Jonathan Schoen: key situation: anyone can come and get it as long as you're from UCM but UCM has history in stealing material, so it is a reasonable expense

Esther came back

Matthieu Marienbach: what is the status of insurance considering theft? Because that could help

Ruben Dominguez Payne: It falls into insurance of ucm has so a theft from universalis is a theft from UCM.

Cata leaves

Laura Robinson: The problem with insurance is equipment on ucm property because access to ucm people so not reliable option

Jonathan Schoen: Question liability, insurance is not gonna cover that

Sander leaves

Stephen McCarthy: yes there is the key to the oksaal but this necessary

Ruben Dominguez Payne: do i have a second for this motion

Jonathan Schoen seconds

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those in favor

Ruben Dominguez Payne: I have 31

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 3 against, 28 abstaining

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion passes

Ruben Dominguez Payne: that is all of the surplus budget 3534 euros

Cata comes back

Ruben Dominguez Payne: moving on to stopgap budget

Ruben Dominguez Payne: first motion about waffle wed. 20 euros spent before the GA

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion for Amsterdam flea market trip. 200 euros for transport

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Social Board, on behalf of Enby. 70 euros

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Party committee. 500 euros

Michiel Nieuwenhuijsen: How would ENBY have a stopgap when they don't even have budget

Ruben Dominguez Payne: due to transparency, money spent in 3 weeks is agreed upon now. This is all rough right now, but we are trying to introduce this measure

Cata Schielenger: the total is wrong

Mishael Qadeer: No that's because of excess

Ela left

Laura Robinson: Board t-shirts would be 190€ according to calculation to previous shirts

Ruben Dominguez Payne: according to past estimations...

Denis Katwal: date of next GA?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: 3 week , Feb 20th

Dennis Katwal: when we filled the motion, we thought that was between, 1st-15th of Feb

Juliette van den Brule: my mistake

Ruben Dominguez Payne: her mistake with communication with committee

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Amendment to multiple by 3

Micheil Nieuwenhuijs: What is the amendment?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: from 20 to 60 €

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Do I have a second?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: one abstention. Ad Hoc motion passes

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Motion passes

Hannah Savage: topic to board weekend, refer to last GA to remove budget, not because lack of budget because students communicate on the amount of money for few students.

Showing content. People who are able to join universalis are lucky people who don't need to earn money, so money goes for other event, propose to take it out again

Ela came back

Ruben Dominguez Payne: technical point

Laura Robinson: how are we voting? Is it point by point or talking about everything together?

Ruben Dominguez Payne: goes through committees first

Phineas Shapiro: committee budget would go first (first 3 weeks) and then SB

Ruben Dominguez Payne: Can we continue the debate?

Thilo Bucholz: put forward motion for reading committees motions so we know what is being asked and then continue debate we started, then committee than we vote

Ruben Dominguez Payne: so we have 60 euros for waffle wed.

Thilo Bucholz: procedural first

Ruben Dominguez Payne: motion to hear...

Thilo Bucholz: no

Phineas Shapiro: I would like to propose a procedural motion to appoint Thilo as chairs of the GA

Caden, Unnati & Michiel left

Ruben Dominguez Payne: there is a series of proposals that need to be voted on. Can we make a decision?

Phineas Shapiro: GA chooses how to proceed, suggesting thilo should chair from now on

Thilo Bucholz: I am sorry to interrupt you, the procedural motion by Phineas needs to be heard. We need to decided now who chairs the GA for the stop gap

Laurent left

Ruben Dominguez Payne: all those in favor of Thilo chairing the stopgap

Ruben Dominguez Payne: there is a majority

Thilo Bucholz: All those in favour of considering committees motions, vote upon it all raise hands

Thilo Bucholz: the motion has been passed

Thilo Bucholz: I will read the motions by the committee

Stephen leaves

Thilo Bucholz: is there an order to this

Ruben Dominguez Payne: none of it has been passed yet

Jonathan Schoen: how many people have left to be into minimal request?

Thilo Bucholz: do you want a procedural motion to do corum

Thilo Bucholz: Mishael how many people were initially present?

Mishael Qadeer: 54

Gwendolyn left

Thilo Bucholz: 49 still present

Thilo Bucholz: Considering motions on behalf of NB

Mishael leaves

Erick Jackaman: I need to change the 40 euros for cinema instead.

Erick Jackaman : Change the 40€ fr cinema with total 75€

1 person left

Ruben Dominguez Payne: correction 60 € for waffles

Thilo Buchoz: those in favour for waffle wednesday. Those against. Those abstaining

Thilo Bucholz: Motion passes for charity

Maddalena Cuso: its for the 3 waffle wednesdays

Ruben leaves

Thilo Bucholz: Raising it to 60 euros

Thilo Bucholz: The motion passes

Thilo Bucholz: flea market trip 200€ with trains tickets x 20

Bella Rix: how do we chose who gets to go?

Joshua Hellinger: first come first serve

Thilo Bucholz: any further questions? We proceed to vote on it now. All those in favour, all those against?

Thilo Bucholz: Motion passes

Thilo Bucholz: 75e for ENBy for SB

Ruben comes back

Mathieu Marienbach: If committees allowed than SB should be allowed but if committees aren't allowed than no

Lucas arrives

Erick Jackaman: it doesn't seem like its not not allowed. We don't have that much budget excess.

1 person comes back
Dora leaves

Laura Robinson: erick explain for board members what ae the elements?

Erick Jackaman: so bonding is to have money to facilitate discussions, brainstorming for semester, food and whatever. And the other stuff for cinema, there are great movies about gender right now. 10 euros for meeting to attract people.

Maddalena & Dora leave
Phineas and Mishael come back

Laura Robinson: what do you mean with bonding? Not allowed to spend over amount for snack and not allowed for meals.

Erick Jackaman: if that's true then cut it. I don't have time to care

Thilo Bucholz: cut the motion? Cut the bonding?

Erick Jackaman: yeah

Thilo Bucholz: motion now reads of a total of 50

Thilo Bucholz: Proceed vote

Thilo Bucholz: motion is passed

Era Georigadu: party committee excess budget was not read

Thilo Bucholz: motion wasn't read

Thilo Bucholz: motion for party committee to organize party for 500 in February

Thilo Bucholz: vote on motion

Thilo Bucholz: we will not read this motion

Matthieu Marienbach: We made our promises real, and we want to have a party in the second week

Thilo Bucholz: does anyone have anything to say?

Bella Rix: is it for the party of active members night?

Matthieu Marienbach: the active members night we have approve it to thank actioie people, the party will b open to everyone and have as many tickets as possible

Bella Rix: 2 separate thing

Matthieu Marienbach: yeah

Thilo Bucholz: I would put this to a vote

Thilo Bucholz: clear majority and this is passed

Thilo Bucholz: Total 820€

Thilo Bucholz: Let's continue the debate that Hannah started for what SB has put forward

Freya Walker: remove 600€, unjust reasons. Even if excess money, there can be food, cinema other activities

Laura Robinson: Ad hoc motion raises 750€ and it could be much more realistic for intro day

Juliette van den Brule: to explain what board weekend is, it is a working weekend. We spent it all working, and it will happen anyway. This is something that is necessary. Reduce it, but at least fund food

Phineas Shapiro: procedural motion to limit debate to 10 min

Laura Robinson: specifically board wk

Thilo Bucholz: yes

Maddalena & dora enters

Thilo Bucholz: Procedural motion passes

Ana Rosas: dear social board, appreciate work and definitely but 600€ for a weekend is too much it could be 50€. You should get money for what you're doing but 600 too much

Matthieu Marienbach: I defended the board weekend the last time and it is because they work really hard. They ensure austerity measures, and we should not punish them

Stephen McCarthy: clarify 2 way: not bonding but working wk, worked extra job from universalis, by restricting budget, cut people with difficulties of money

Freya Walker: if can't work in maastricht, you're incompetent

Silvia Tosato: I don't want to disregard the work the social board does but the 600 euros is too much. Going away from Maastricht is too much money

Freya Walker: compensation do get paid

Thilo Bucholz: not technical point

Ana Rosas: we do get paid. We get at the end of each semester we get 750 euros as a gift from UCM. You do have bonding money and it is really not necessary to have this money for board weekend. Lets lower the budget and not eliminate it

Phineas Shapiro: money that get from ucm, it's study related money, if you're working for ucm, stay extra semester that you pay.

Bella Rix: I think bonding activities are a good idea, and you don't have to leave Maastricht. 600 is too much money

Laura Robinson: concentrating maastricht - organize gathering but not possibl because of different schedules going away avoids that the main money: propose to cut to 150€ where meet in board members house for over 20h, so officially

Lucas leaves

Freya Walker: it would be 20 euros per head is good

Thilo Bucholz: 3 left, if wish to speak after, fill in procedural motion

Matthieu Marienbach: There is difference in professional life, and I think it is worth maintaining their board weekend. Maybe let's give the AC a board weekend

Thilo Bucholz: do you amendment motion for AC?

Erick Jackaman: I just want this in the minutes. You said earlier, that committees cannot spend money on food. How is it that the board can do this instead?

Jonathan Schoen: difference between committees and board

Phineas Shapiro: there is no difference beteen board and committees and it was raised and audit last spring and talked about that but wouldn't be done in the future. can' t say what money was spent last sprin board wk.

Thilo Bucholz: we will vote on the amendment motion, to reduce 600 to 150

Thilo Bucholz: we will vote now for bonding

Juliette van den Brule: for bard wk not bonding

Thilo Bucholz: those in favour for reducing the budget

Thilo Bucholz: I count 29 votes

Thilo Bucholz: those abstaining 11
Thilo Bucholz: 11 against
Thilo Bucholz: Motion passes. Budget reduced to 150
Thilo Bucholz: debate on the other expenses
Silvia Tosato: the budget for committee photos but no photos were not taken
Ruben Dominguez Payne: committee photos were not organized this semester and the money from it went into the surplus budget
Thilo Bucholz: now voting on stop gap
Ruben Dominguez Payne: please address the total
Thilo Bucholz: Laura do you have the total?
Laura Robinson: ad hoc motion to increase to increase intro days to 750 €
Bella Rix: What does it go on?
Thilo Bucholz: first day of freshmen of activities
Jonathan Schoen: If you want details you can talk to me after the GA
Matthieu Marienbach: are there freshmen>?
Jonathan: Schoen exchange students
Marla Schiefing: can I comment of Board tshirts?
Thilo Bucholz: Motion passes:
Marla Schiefing: are they purchased every semester?
Esther Salem: Normally ordered when there are new board members and this time it is also because, there was a mess up with the order
Marla Schiefing: But that is not so sustainable
Silvia Tosato: can we do an 80% subsidy? That way it is good
Juliette van den Brule : shorts are used for external representation for events and we need to wear them
Silvia Tosato: yes but they payment would be symbolical
Maddalena Cuso: against that they should pay because it's not fair that they should pay it
Phineas Shapiro: we don't want to limit membership to the board to people that can afford it
Thilo Bucholz: no proceed to ad hoc motion
Thilo Bucholz: we vote
Freya Walker: confusion on the toal
Thilo Bucholz: voting on the whole budget
Francesco Longo: clarification on the budget
Thilo Bucholz: the budget is passed and the chairpersonship is given to Ruben
Ruben Dominguez Payne: invite you for snacks & beer and i announce this GA officially closed