**BUDGET GA 20-2-20**

**Attending 59:** Lena Maas, Judith van Lookeren Campagne, Coline Grimée, Alice Jourdain, Lara Grieschmann, Bela Ashworth, Deniz Eker, Dani Penders, Yago Hecht, Valentina Gaiardelli, Hanne vd Werf, Maxime Kramer, Samtag Prakke, Ben Gibney, Ruben Backx, Antoniya Spirova, Ioanna Antigoni Apostolakopoulou, Ana Rosas, Philipp Kreis, Phineas Shapiro, Mathias Hempfling, Loren Hinkel, Jean Trummer, Femke van ‘t Hoff, Clara Kammeringer, Stephen McCarthy, Odile Feltkamp, Ludwig Schulte, Kendra Kibbey, Elena Lungu, Manuel Ntsoumou, Rufus Busse, Joost Boswinkel, Sarah Kiegeland, Augustin Lambert, Sophie Groenewegen, Vilde Toft, Sarp Soyal, Clara Maxwell, Milena Brauetigam, Carla Laudien, Blair Blakeney, Harriot Grimmel-Moore, Emilie Shagrin, Emanuelle Boucher, Caroline Deharbe, Lena Krois, Julia Connelly, Isabell Hamecher, Vibeke Gootze, Thomas Earles, Josefine Petrick, Jule Meyer, Klara Meyer-Wehrmann, Rose Cooper, Shamayila Sarka, Aaron Wells, Michel Bollinger, Era Georgiade.

**34 proxies**: Due to Covid-19, I was unable to retrieve the proxy forms from the Board Room before the UCM building closed. Please note that I am aware of this absence, and that I will try to include the names of the proxies as soon as I have access to the Building again. The reason why I do want to publish these minutes already, is because the policy manual urges me to do so as quickly as possible (art. 3.6.6 ii). I apologize for the inconvenience.

Quorum: 93 (5 people left, end with 88)

**Opening of the GA**

* IB present the rules of the GA
* The GA is opened
* Agenda is presented
  + The agenda opens for a vote.
  + Agenda passes.
* Minutes last GA are presented
  + Request to make minutes more detailed.
  + Minutes move to a vote.
  + Vote passes.
  + Minutes will be more detailed from now on.
* Announcements
  + New website is presented.
  + People urged not to drink during GA.
  + Issues with proxy forms are addressed.
    - the legitimacy of proxy forms is placed into intermediate question
    - Small discussion is started about what the most democratic way of approaching proxies is.
    - Discussion does not lead to concrete conclusions, but it is emphasized that the policy manual might need revision.
  + Call for policy team members is made.
    - To revise the policy manual, volunteers are needed.
* Non-UCM members introduced
  + floor does not open for discussion.
  + Admission of non-UCM member 1 moves to a vote.
  + Vote passes, member admitted to GA.
  + Admission of non-UCM member 2 moves to a vote.
  + Vote passes, member 2 admitted to GA.
* IB chair vote
  + Member introduced with comments regarding faults of policy manual.
    - Points of improvement include clarity about positions within the IB, Proxy forms and their use.
  + GA moves to a secret ballot to vote for IB chair.
  + Ballot is counted.
  + New chair of the IB is elected (majority vote).
* Financial report is presented, and main issues are addressed.
  + Committees are urged to fully use their budget.
  + Pin machine: we now have our own pin machine.
  + Layovers decrease our budget surplus.
    - Layovers are last semester’s costs, that are paid for in the next semester.
  + Addressed that this is a very short summary.
  + We can find financial report online! (Ucmsa.nl).
* IB presents audit of financial report.
  + Some contracts were rather unclear.
    - In order to reimburse, clarity is crucial. It needs to be clear that everything goes according to policy manual.
  + Some expenses in conflict with policy manual, like speaker gifts (these sometimes exceeded the maximum of 10 euros per speaker).
  + Sustainability goals are emphasised.
    - GA is urged to not buy plastic bag, instead borrow reusable bags from board room.
    - Plastic bags are *not* reimbursed.
  + IB approves of financial report and the budget of last semester.
  + Floor opens for questions.
    - Was there an issue with Spiritual Enlightenment and what was the issue?
      * Reimbursements for small drinks for volunteers although it was not budgeted for it. Will be addressed with social board.
    - Who is the feedback directed to?
      * Anyone, IB urges every member to be more meticulous, but Social Board also needs to be rather careful and precise.
  + Financial report moves to a vote
    - Vote is passed, Financial report passes.
  + Financial report audit moves to a vote.
    - Floor does not open for discussion regarding audit.
    - Vote passes, Audit of financial report passes.
* **Budget allocation** 
  + Budgeted for €20.440, exceeds what is received from UCM.
    - This is quite a lot of money, and it is uncertain that everything that was budgeted for can take place.
  + Total available budget: €14.000.
  + **Shortage of €6.440.**

**Discussion and voting on individual budgets**

* Social Board budget
  + Questions asked about UCM photographer and its conflict with policy.
    - All parties here have failed to truly follow the policy manual, and there have been a few discussions regarding policy.
    - It is emphasized that the social board needs to follow the policy more closely.
    - Social Board apologizes for the miscommunications and breaking policy.
    - Proposal to limit discussion to 7 minutes.
      * Proposal brought to a vote
      * Proposal passes, discussion limited to 7 minutes.
    - Acknowledged that policy manual needs some work and that things have been relatively chaotic regarding the photographer.
    - Issue has been brought up before, but it is suggested that the photographer be dropped.
    - IB puts forward the idea of asking another photographer *or* ask UCM to pay the student who took the photos for Universalis.
    - Social Board promises to follow policies.
  + Question asked about MSP collaboration budget
    - MSP wants to collaborate, although it is not clear what this will be. Social Board still budgeted to ensure a proper collaboration. In the past, the SB has not paid enough attention to collaborating with MSP and the SB wishes to change this.
  + Questions about UCM community day and courtyard cleanup
    - Explained what money will be used for and what UCM community day might entail.
    - Ad hoc motion to cut €100 from Social Board budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to a vote.
    - Vote passes, ad hoc motion passes.
  + Question about unforeseen costs
    - Unallocated money that works as a safety net for emergencies.
    - It is pretty much the only safety net we have.
  + Question: Is the social board the only one with pin machine fees?
    - Yes
* UCSRN budget
  + A lot of the budget is used for traveling costs and reimbursing travel costs for students.
  + Question: is there a possibility to stay in Twente (during the UCSRN tournament)?
    - It was possible but rather expensive as it added 7 euros per person.
    - The bus makes it much easier to cover the travel costs and that everyone could go to the tournament for roughly the same price.
    - Ad hoc motion submitted: add €500 to tournament.
    - Floor opens for discussion.
      * Is it worth spending this much money on a tournament?
      * for some, yes. It is a big hassle to arrange group tickets.
  + Proposal to limit discussion to 10 more minutes
  + Proposal moves to vote.
  + Proposal passes, discussion limited to 10 more minutes.
    - * Safety reasons make the bus budget worthwhile for other members of the GA
      * Others think it is a little bit too much.
      * We would have to leave mid-tournament if public transport was used.
      * Can we request more money for the bus? reimbursements from UCSRN would not cover it.
      * The possibility of participants paying slightly more to cover the costs is raised yet not discussed in depth.
    - Ad hoc motion to only add €250 to UCSRN budget.
      * Ad Hoc retracted
    - Ad hoc motion (€500) moves to a vote
    - Ad hoc motion does not pass (no absolute majority).
* Academic Council
  + Motion: extra event comments and cookies for €7.
    - Motion moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Question: Could people elaborate on bonding?
    - AC needs bonding to ensure teamwork and proper cooperation.
    - No one should have to pay a price for being on the board.
    - Vote to move this to a discussion
      * Vote does not pass
  + Ad Hoc motion to cut €100 from travelling costs for Life after the Bubble.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Independent body
  + Clarified budgeting for snacks: they want to offer volunteers revising the policy manual something in return for their work.
  + Clarified budgeting for bonding: IB members were not a friend group (a point often raised against bonding money) prior to being on the IB.

**GA MOVES TO A BREAK (10 minutes)**

**GA RESUMES**

* Party committee
  + Motion submitted: €200 summer cocktail party, extra money for cocktails
    - Party committee defends motion
    - Floor opens up for discussion
    - Proposal to move discussion to 10 minutes
      * Proposal moves to a vote.
      * Proposal passes.
    - Discussion resumes.
      * Who will be photographer and privacy issues with photographs at events?
        + Cleared up. Privacy will be respected
      * Why do costs between parties differ so drastically?
        + There are more costs for drinks and the DJ will be working for one hour longer and we have to pay for equipment.
      * is it possible to charge more for drinks?
        + If you lose your cup you pay more. They could still increase drinks prices.
    - Motion is retracted
    - Vote to open floor for discussion regarding actual budget.
      * Proposal does not pass.
      * Floor does not open for discussion
* Music committee
  + Motion: €20 euros for new strings for guitar
    - Motion moves to a vote
    - Motion passes
* Spiritual Enlightenment
  + Motion: 100 euros for more bubbles (read: champagne/prosecco/cava etc.) for Bubble Tasting
    - Motion is defended
    - Vote to open floor for discussion.
      * Vote passes.
      * Floor opens for discussion.
    - Proposal to limit discussion to 7 minutes
      * Discussion limited for 7 minutes
    - Bubble tasting takes place on April 13th.
      * + Some people thought that the bubble tasting would not add much
        + In response, the committee says that the event will add value for those who are not a big part of the community but still want to do something fun.
      * Vote to extend the discussion
        + Proposal does not pass.
        + Discussion is not extended.
      * Motion (100 euros) moves to a vote
      * Motion does not pass.
  + Motion: Motion retracted before it was presented.
  + Ad Hoc motion to retract 10 euros from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €23 from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad Hoc motion passes.
  + Opening floor for discussion regarding wine tasting moves to a vote.
    - Proposal does not pass.
    - Floor does not open for discussion.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €7 from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract another €7 from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €40 from budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €5 from budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc to remove €130 from Bubble tasting
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Musical theatre
  + Motion: re-allocate €500 to ‘tech equipment’ moved to ‘props and costumes’.
    - Musical committee defends motion and explains why they want 500 euros.
    - GA votes on opening discussion.
      * Floor does not open for discussion.
    - Motion moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Ad hoc motion to remove ‘Costumes and Props’ from budget (100 euros).
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Theatre
  + No motions, no discussions
* Film
  + Ad Hoc motion to remove 5 euros from snacks.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad Hoc to raise ticket prices for film trips to 3 euros and remove €120 from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Book Club
  + No motions or comments
* Charity
  + Ad Hoc motion to retract €60 from budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad Hoc motion to cut €20 from Charity
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Meditation
  + Floor does not open for discussion.
  + Someone raised the suggestion that people could donate mugs.
    - GA responded positively to this suggestion and many offered mugs from their homes.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €10 from budget (mugs budget).
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* History
  + Ad Hoc motion for €15 euros for guided tour through city archives.
    - Motion is defended.
      * This trip is very special, yet unfortunately not the cheapest activity.
    - Defense is contested
      * People should be able to pay a little bit themselves.
    - Ad hoc is changed to €5 euros
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* PINE
  + Ad hoc motion to cut €40 initially for snacks.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Floor does not open for a discussion.
  + Ad Hoc motion to cut €400 from Conference budget.
    - Small discussion regarding nature of sponsorships
      * Questions that were raised yet lacked a proper answer:
        + Is UCM a sponsor?
        + Would UCM possibly take over sponsorship that PINE usually receives from GA?
        + Is this conference worth it?
      * It was raised that this is a big conference and that spending money on it is worth it.
    - Ad hoc moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion does not pass.
* The Bell
  + Motion: addition of €150 (€50 per printing) to printing budget
    - Motion moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Questions asked about the success rate of the bell publishing
    - In the past, there have been delays with the printing of the Bell.
    - The questions/doubts were resolved by the Bell.
* Well-being
  + Questions asked about the health benefit of venting evening.
    - People wondered whether venting is a healthy way of coping with emotions.
    - Well-being responded by saying that “venting” may not be the best word to describe their plans. Well-being wants to provide students with an opportunity to let out some built-up frustrations, and thus name and nature of the “venting evening might change”.
    - Response was satisfactory.
  + Ad hoc motion to retract €10 from snack budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad hoc to add 12 euros to budget (€7 for de-stress dinner, 5 euros for film)
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Dance
  + Motion to add €100 for rooms with mirrors at UMsports.
    - Motion is presented and defended.
      * In order to properly prepare for the UCSRN tournament, mirrors are needed so that the members of Dance can see what they’re doing and improve. Dance understands that installing mirrors at UCM is logistically far from ideal. Because they wish to use mirrors, they want to use a room at UMSports that has mirrors.
    - Motion moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Motion to add €30 to dance budget for hip hop workshop is presented.
    - Motion is presented and defended
      * Hip hop workshop was more expensive than expected.
    - Motion moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Motion to add €60 euros to Dance budget for breakdance workshop.
    - Ad hoc motion presented to change it to 40 euros.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes. Breakdance workshop budget is changed to €40.
    - Motion to add €40 to dance budget moves to a vote.
    - Motion passes.
  + Motion to add €50 for costumes.
    - Motion is defended and presented:
      * Costumes can improve the image *and* performance of the Dance team during the UCSRN tournament. Since other UCs like UCU and AUC have a large budget, costumes are needed to properly compete with them.
    - Ad Hoc to change costume budget to €30.
    - Proposal to open floor for discussion.
    - Floor opens for discussion.
      * Some people do not see the added benefit of a costume as they thought a dance performance should speak for itself.
      * Others say that costumes are necessary to represent UCM properly and win the performance.
      * Others then stated that it is hard to compete with UCU and AUC regardless of UCM’s costumes because their budgets are much larger.
    - Motion is retracted.
* Gecco
  + Discussion about potluck budget
    - People found the budget for the potluck (60 euros) too high for a relatively small event. Members from Gecco were encouraged to invite the people attending the potluck to also bring food, which should make it possible to host the event at a much lower price.
  + Ad Hoc to decrease potluck budget by €30
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Ludens
  + Ad hoc to cut €75 from budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Poetry
  + No motions or comments.
* Sports
  + Questions about trampoline, administrative costs, etc.
  + Ad Hoc Motion to cut €370 from budget.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* We get an explanation about technical points
  + Technical points should be made when there one needs a clarification or wishes to refer to the policy manual. Technical points cannot be used to continue a discussion that has been closed.
* Edusoc
  + Ad Hoc to cut €60 from budget
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* ENBY
  + Ad Hoc to cut Excursion budget to €150
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* EXCO
  + Ad Hoc to scrap €30 from Reunion and €120 for Camino trip (€150)
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad Hoc passes.
  + Ad Hoc motion to cut €200 from Trip to Delft.
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Latin American perspectives
  + Ad Hoc to cut Latin America Night budget to €60
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Hypatia
  + Ad hoc to add €35 for tampons and pads
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
  + Ad Hoc to reduce excursion budget to €1
    - Ad hoc motion moves to vote.
    - Ad hoc motion passes.
* Treasurer of the SB calculates the new budget based on all ad hoc motions.
* **FINAL budget:**
  + **19.879,79**
* Final budget moves to a vote.
* Final budget passes.
* There are no questions.
* GA is closed (4.5 hours).