General Assembly: Policy Presentation, 28th board

September 8th 2020, 18:00

Location: Kaltura

1. **Opening**

Amber Tolboom opens the General Assembly at 18:00. She asks if there are any authorizations. Person 1 says she has one.

1. **Announcements/ Received documents**

Amber Tolboom says that there are no announcements nor received documents.

1. **Establishing agenda**

Amber Tolboom explains tonight’s agenda, in which the 28th board will explain their policy and budget for the upcoming study year.

1. **Establishing voting committee**

Amber Tolboom explains how the voting will work and that there will need to be a voting committee. Person 2 and Person 1 volunteer for the voting committee. Amber Tolboom, Person 2 and Person 1 count the amount of voters. There are 24 people present and there’s one authorization, so there are 25 voters in total.

1. **Voting minutes General Assembly: Midterm Evaluation board 27 (09-06-2020)**

Amber Tolboom explains that we need to vote about the minutes of the last General Assembly. A + means in favor, a – is against and a 0 is withholding your vote. Amber asks who vote in favor.

*Votes for the minutes of the General Assembly: Midterm Evaluation board 27*

23 votes in favor

0 votes against

0 votes withholding

Amber Tolboom, Person 1, and Person 2 count the amount of voters again. There are 23 people present (Person 3 left) and 1 authorization. There are 24 voters in total. The voting starts over again.

*Votes for the minutes of the General Assembly: Midterm Evaluation board 27*

22 votes in favour

0 votes against

1 withholding

Amber Tolboom says one person didn’t vote. However, the majority of the votes are in favour and thus the minutes are approved.

*Person 4 joined and Person 5 left at 18.10*

1. **Discuss/explain Policy 2020-2021**

Amber Tolboom gives the floor to Lin. Lin explains what she will be discussing regarding next year’s policy. The two pillars the board chose are inclusion and engagement.

*Person 6, Person 7 and Person 8 join during Lin's presentation at 18.21*

Lin’s internet starts lacking, so part of the explanation got lost. Therefore Lin repeats what she said about the board’s inspiration for their policy. They based their policy partly on those of previous years, and their own experience as the first board from the international bachelor and their experience with covid-19 and the measures.

Lin explains that they want to translate current Dutch documents to English to make them accessible to non-Dutch speaking members. This includes the *statuten*. They will also introduce a new committee: the Cooking Committee. This committee will make snacks for some of the hokhours and organize their own food festival in June.

Person 9 asks: Do you just want to translate unofficially or really change them juridically?

Lin hasn’t yet read the question. She explains that they will pay attention throughout the year to non-Dutch holidays and celebrating them.

Lin reads the question of Person 9. She says that they will establish a committee that will look into the possibilities surrounding the translating of the *statuten*, as juridically it’s not possible to translate them to English. She asks whether there are any other questions.

Lin moves on to the concrete steps of *engagement*. The board has decided that there will be 2 drinks a month still. The board will introduce a new project called humans of CA-DS, in which short stories will be written about the students of CA-DS.

Lin’s internet starts lacking again. She asks if there are any questions. Simone Luca says: One small thing (point 14) , the hokhours aren’t the tasks of the acticom. it's the task of the activities officer. Lin says it’s a mistake and that they will change that. Person 6 says that the board could make it something organized by a committee if they’d want to.

Person 9 says: “We had a concern about de Veste, most of you might not be aware but the DJ and owner posted some concerning things on facebook which don't align with CA-DS at all.” Person 1 adds: “1) I don't know if you follow Person 16 on Facebook but he has said insanely problematic things about racism and black pete, this has left us to wonder if de veste is still a good place for Itiwana to come since it's very contradictory to what we stand for.”

Lin says that she understands where they are coming from, but didn’t know that Person 16 posted those statements on his social media. She says they will definitely discuss whether they will keep their drinks at de Veste or not.

Lin says we can move on to the rest of the policy, as there are no other questions currently. She discusses point 1 of inclusion, regarding the Sounding Board and its dinners. Lastly, she wants to connect with the other anthropology associations.

Person 1 says she remembers one of her questions. Wouter asks how point 8 relates to the LaSSA. Lin says LaSSA’s activities are for all of the anthropology students, but that there are no activities for only the boards yet.

Person 1 asks whether the general policy is online yet. Amber Tolboom answers that it will be very soon. Person 1 says she likes the plans.

Lin gives the floor to Rémi. Rémi will be making pages for Itiwana on Studiegids and Leiden Studentenstad (point 1) to make Itiwana more well-known and easier to find. Sarah says that’s a very good initiative. She highlights points 3 and 4 of engagement. She will post more about external anthropology-related activities. She will also, together with Lin, create a structured training plan for the new board. Finally, she will translate the GDPR-guide so international students can read it also.

Rémi asks if there are any questions. Person 1 says it looks good. Person 10 asks: Are you looking into shifting as many things as possible to instagram? Person 10 says a dumpiwana on Instagram would be great as well. Rémi says that they will be sharing the posts on Instagram as well. Person 1 says it would be great to have a Dumpiwana highlight. Rémi gives the floor to Roxanne.

*Person 11 leaves at 19:02*

Roxanne says she wants to discuss two main things. She highlights point 2 of inclusion. She wants to make Itiwana more sustainable by paying extra attention to the expenses. She highlights also the point of engagement regarding the pocket guides introduced by Simone van der Hoek. Finally, she highlights point 5 of engagement regarding updating the buffer. Money left over from cancelled activities will go to the buffer and the contribution will be set straight.

Roxanne asks if there are any questions. Lena says she does have some points. First of all, the Policy says LaSSA committee instead of board. Second, Person 1 has a tip: “You were maybe already planning to do this but definitely try to have meetings and give pocket guides to every committee treasurer! Not only the ones with a separate bank account!”. Roxanne says she is planning to do so.

Person 12 joined at 19:14

Roxanne gives the word to Tino. He says multiple of his points regard the contact with the institute. He also talks about the newsletter and that he wants to improve them. Regarding inclusion, point 1, Tino says he wants to ask the students what interests them in terms of educational topics.

Person 9 says Tino should put the SKG in his tasks. Wouter says it’s in the General Policy.

Tino explains his points regarding the pillar engagement. He wants to use the experiences of students within the Educom’s activities. In this way students can share their knowledge with other members. Tino wants to make the activities more participative than just lectures. Point 6, Tino will write something for the Itiweek once every 7 weeks.

Person 9 says it might be a good idea to translate the newsletter into an Instagram story as well.

Tino gives the floor to Thirza. Thirza says she needs to be live. Thirza comes online. She explains the hokhours will not take place at the faculty. She is looking into other places to organize this. She will work together with the cookcom. They were contacting the keijzer to organize hokhours. She explains her points regarding inclusion. She wants to target every student and all minorities. She for example wants to organize an sinterklaas activity in an explicitly anti-racist way by paying attention to why we’re doing it in this way and not in the traditional way.

Thirza also wants to let her committee organize one activity by themselves. She wants to teach them how to do that. She is also going to set up the ‘humans of CADS’ with Lin.

Person 4 leaves at 19:20.

Thirza asks if there are any questions. Lena has a question. “In point 1 of engagement you mention the questionnaire that Remi is going to make but it says nowhere else in the policy that Remi is going to make a questionnaire”. Lena says it might be an idea to add it somewhere else as well. Lin says it’s in the general policy.

Person 6 says it might be an idea to combine the questionnaires made by Tino and the one made by Thirza/Rémi. Thirza says they don’t want to do that as they are separate. Lena says they mix up the words questionnaire and survey a lot, and that there should be one word for consistency.

Thirza gives the floor to Iza, but Wouter still has a question: the numbers of engagement have to follow up the ones of inclusion right?. Thirza says she doesn’t now.

Person 8 leaves at 19:30

Iza discusses her part of the policy. As point 1 of inclusion, she wants to approach sponsors who are in line with the study of CA-DS. As for point 3, Iza says she wants to ask an alumni for the AA-committee. She highlights point 1 of engagement.

Person 8 asks (for Person 13): “However, I have noticed from personal experience that most alumni are not really active within Itiwana anymore, so I am wondering if you have a specific way you want to tackle this?”. Iza doesn’t yet have a specific plan, but Person 6 says she’s interested. Person 9 gives the following tip: “promoting the alumni activities partly as 'old board' works really well”.

Person 1 asks: isn't point 4 of inclusion a general point for AA com?”. Iza says it is.

Iza gives the floor to Amber Rademake. Amber Rademaker will promotive activities on all social media platforms and post the same content on all platforms. She also wants to post more photos of activities. She will make signing up for activities easier through the linktree and Facebook links. Point 5, Amber Rademaker will arrange a monthly take-over for each committee.

She also wants to make the youtube channel more active. So that more people will be engaged with Itiwana.  For point 9, Amber Rademaker will add ‘fun’ parts to the Itiweek besides the general promotion of activities. For point 10, Amber Rademaker will make a Guide of Itiwana in which members can find all the information about Itiwana and where certain links can be found.

Amber Rademaker asks if there are any questions. There are none and she gives the floor to Lin. Lin says they will discuss the plans of the committees. She gives the floor to Iza. Person 9 says that it’s better to create a bit more unity between individual policies. Person 1 asks what Person 9 means. Person 9 means the consistency of the bullet points, and that some added the Itiweek and some didn’t.

Iza says the AA committee wil try to extend the jewellery line by adding bracelets and earrings and selling it all on Vinted.

Jet asks how the committee is going to make a stock with the budget.

Iza wants to make Sponsorkliks more known amongst members (point 5). She also wants to make Itiwana facemasks (point 7) and further develop the discount card (8).

Iza reads Jet’s question. She says they will make use of pre-orders and buy the needed supplies after people have ordered an item. So there won’t be a stock, but people can pre-order. Jet says beads might be more expensive than Iza might think. Lena says if people can pre-oder anyway then it will be fine. Jet says she can help.

Iza says she wants to maintain contact with the Itidrinks café (which may or may not be Studio de Veste) and support consumption at this café.

Iza gives the word to Thirza. Thirza discusses the plans of the Activities committee.

Thirza says in point 1 that the committee wants to organize activities regarding different cultural themes. She will ask students on Instagram what they would like to celebrate.

Thirza moves on to the Bulletin committee. Most of the points are the same as last year. Thirza wants to incorporate ‘inclusion’ as a common thread in the Bulletin’s content (point 3). Lena says she thinks this is a bit vague. Thirza says she means that inclusion should be kept in mind while writing the Bulletin’s articles.

Thirza says Lin and her will lead the CA-DS project, but that she wants to incorporate this into the Bulletin.

Person 10 says she missed the budget thing. Thirza says it is not in the policy right now.

Thirza gives the word to Amber Rademaker. She discusses the Cooking Committee, which will organize activities related to festivities or countries’ cuisines (point 1). For point 3, Amber Rademaker wants to ask internationals to engage with Itiwana by letting them share recipes.

Person 14 joins at 19:42.

Amber Rademaker gives the word to Tino for the Educom. For point 2, there will be a subcommittee for the organization of the congress. He wants to give the floor to more students and friends during education activities. So that students can learn from eachother.

Tino asks whether there are any questions. There are none. He gives the word to Lin, who will discuss the First Years Committee. She will not be the chair, but the guide. She discusses point 6 and 2.

Lin asks whether there are any questions. Person 1 says that point 3 is a bit vague, as the position division supposedly already creates quite a clear division of labor. Wouter says it might be something for the general policy. Person 9 says (through Person 1) that it’s a good idea to include the institute in communication. Lin asks what she means. Person 1 says she meant collaboration. Lin says it’s a good idea.

Lin gives the word to Rémi about the ICA. She explains point 1, that they will ask more students to write small columns. For point 2, she explains that last year they couldn’t make a talk show and create a documentary, so they’ll want to try to do so this year.

Point 3 has actually been changed after the policy was finished. If members want to receive the ICA, they need to mention this.

Person 6 asks: Are you also not sending it to relations of itiwana anymore? Or sending the magazine online to them?. Rémi says they will do so. Person 10 says: Please make up a list with institutions that get the ica without an indication that they want it.

Rémi gives the word to Amber Rademaker to discuss the Photocom. It’s mostly the same as last year, but Amber Rademaker made some small changes. She wants to make more videos and post them on the YouTube account. For point 3, Amber Rademaker will look into buying a new Polaroid camera, but that it might not be immediately necessary as it is not sure whether activities will actually take place.

Amber Rademaker asks if there are any questions. Person 1 asks it might be an idea to postpone the polaroid anyway as it would be paid for with cash and that isn’t coronaproof. Person 10 says tikkies could work. Person 10 says point 6 could be moved to general.

Person 2 and Person 1 wonder if a new lense and polaroid wouldn’t be too expensive. Wouter asks whether it wouldn’t be possible to borrow a polaroid camera. Person 10 and Person 2 say that that isn’t safe insurance-wise.

Amber Rademaker gives the word to Iza for the Survivalcom. The survivalcom won’t be organizing a hitchhike weekend because of the covid-19 rules. They might organize a cycling weekend instead. Plans for the survivalweekend itself will be made.

Person 14 leaves at 20:00.

Person 1 tips the “bollenstreek” for the cycling weekend. Iza gives the word to Roxanne for the Travelcom. Roxanne only changed one thing. She wants to do polls on Instagram to see where the members would like to go instead of having the committee decide, as it is still a trip for the whole association. Secondly, Roxanne says she is not yet sure how they can plan the trip regarding the covid-19 rules. They might plan a trip in the Netherlands as a back-up plan.

Person 6 says a trip in the Netherlands would be very nice especially for internationals. People think island hopping would be great idea for the study trip. Person 1 says it’s best to focus on a trip in the Netherlands as it’s the only “sure” thing. She thinks the university won’t approve trips abroad. Person 6 agrees. Person 6 says it might be possible to add a week abroad at a later time as well.

Roxanne asks if there are any other questions. She gives the floor to Lin. She discusses a Covid-19 policy. Person 1 says it might be good to put in the policy that only members are allowed to join activities. Person 10 asks if there could be looked into a bigger place to replace the Hok. Lin says that Thirza called the faculty, but it’s not possible to book another room for the Hokhours. Person 1 wonders what will come of the cooking com then. Lin says they’ve contacted some places already, but they don’t have the answer yet. Person 10 says we can have tosti hours again if we have another location than the hok for the hok hours.

1. **Break**

*Lin proposes the break at 20:16.* It will last until 20:30.

1. **Discuss/explain Budget 2020-2021**

*Amber Tolboom continues at 20:31*. Roxanne discusses the budget for 2020-2021. A new committee is introduced: the cook com. She gave the AA committee and the activities committee a bit more money. They will use the remaining money for the festival at the end of the year. They will use a bigger budget for the drinks to make them more sustainable.

Roxanne says that the LaSSA will organize the same activities as last year. The WDO asked if the contribution percentage could be raised from 6 to 8%, so Roxanne changed that. Nothing else changed.

Roxanne asks if there are any questions. Manon asks why the WDO percentage changed. Roxanne says they had a meeting with the WDO about this. Person 1 comments that the WDO has big plans. Person 10 adds that if the WDO has plans outside of anthropology they will have to look into how to support the WDO.

Roxanne asks if the members agree with the budget for the cooking committee. Person 6 says it might be a bit much, but it’s fine. Person 10 says that it’s okay because whatever’s left over will go to the buffer anyway.

Person 1 still has one comment. She heard that Gsuite is free regarding the mails. Rémi says it’s free for 14 days only. Person 10 asks if it is GDPR proof. Person 1 says she doesn’t know.

1. **WDO**

Amber Tolboom says we can move on to the WDO. Amber Tolboom will give the word to Person 2 and Person 1. Person 2 will say something about the WDO in general and Person 1 will say something about the finances. Person 2 says WDO is partly interfaculty, so they want to focus more on that and make the plans bigger for this year. Therefore they need the bigger percentage of the contribution. Person 2 gives the floor to Person 1 to talk about the budget.

The Covid-19 surplus is what the WDO has left over from last year. They will use this money this year to kickstart WDO’s new plans.

Some month’s budgets are a bit higher than others’. For example, December will have a bigger event as January won’t have an activity at all. The same goes for June.

Person 1 asks if there are any questions. Person 10 asks about the future of WDO’s finances and whether the WDO will want to go independent later on. Person 1 says no, but that there can join external members (not from Itiwana). Person 2 says these external members pay 7,50 a year or 1,50 per activity.

Tino asks how much last year’s tai chi workshop cost. This will be presented at the Change of the Board General Assembly. Person 1 thinks it was about 90 euros. He also asks what the COVID-19 surplus was again. Person 1 explains.

Person 10 asks what the 7,50 is based on. Person 1 says they didn’t want to be as expensive as an association. She thinks it’s a realistic amount of money and is profitable.

Iza asks what will happen with the extra money raised through external members. They don’t know yet as they don’t know how many members will join this year.

Person 1 and Person 2 give the word to Amber Tolboom.

1. **LaSSA**

Amber Tolboom says they would normally discuss the LaSSA, but Roxanne already said they’d only had one meeting and that there’s no budget yet.

1. **Discussion**

Amber Tolboom asks if there are any points of discussion. The first one discussed is regarding Person 16/Studio de Veste. Person 1 doesn’t know if there’s much to discuss as she just wanted to raise the point. Person 1 asks if Wouter wants to add something. Person 6 asks if he’s the boss of de Veste. Person 2 says no, he’s just the DJ. Person 6 says maybe we can talk to his boss (Person 17) instead. Jet says she has more contact with Person 16 than Person 17. Person 6 says Person 16 should leave, not Itiwana. Person 1 also says finding a new spot might be really difficult. Person 10 says talking to Person 17 should be the first step. Iza adds it might be very difficult to find other cafés regarding corona. They are talking with Café de Keyzer though, so it might be an option for drinks. Jet says Iza could make a plan for increasing consumptions by members and then drinks would be more interesting for other cafés.

Person 2 asks if there have been made agreements about corona measures. Amber Tolboom says Simone Luca made a plan with Person 16. Jet says she went with Thirza to Person 16 to discuss this as well. Person 2 asks if external people can come. Person 1 asks if they have discussed that. Iza says that during the Itidrinks, de Veste will not be open to externals.

Person 6 adds: But is this issue already shared with the boss? Maybe he does not want to lose us and will do everything for us, like a new bar tender.

Person 10 adds: Can’t we not try to get in contact with something more like a club, the room is bigger and they are not getting much income now, right?

Iza says that the maximum amount of people in De Veste is 30 right now. Person 1 mentions what Person 10 said.

Amber Tolboom says 28 has to look at different options to make it more inclusive.

Person 1 has another discussion point. The WDO has changed their logo because it was cultural appropriation. Itiwana might need to change their name and logo also. A lot of externals reacted negatively to the logo/name as well.

Thirza says it might be an idea to introduce the logo through the clothing line. Roxanne asks if Person 1 can explain a little more as she doesn’t know what’s behind the name. Person 6 asks why it isn’t okay anymore.

Lin says they probably can’t change it this year and Lena agrees because of the *statuten*. Iza adds that the suits and sweaters have already been made with this logo. Person 9 & Person 15 add that it could be changed over the next summer. Person 1 adds that it is also difficult because old Itiwana members might complain about changing the logo. It might be an idea to add members for tips on what to change the logo and name to.

*Person 9 leaves at 19:30*

Person 1 reads the question from Person 6 question and says it’s cultural appropriation because we are not native Americans. Person 2 says she can’t imagine anthropologists complaining about a positive change. Lin says it’s good that Person 1 brought it up.

Person 10 mentions an in-between solution could work. Person 2 mentions first changing the logo and then the name. Lin says she wants to change it all in one go. Person 10 says a name change will be a very difficult process. Person 1 says when you randomly change the logo you would get a lot of backlash.

Tino asks about ideas for the budget regarding the education committee’s activities. Amber Tolboom says that can be done through Instagram.

1. **Voting Budget 2020/2021**

Amber Tolboom says that we can vote for the Budget 2020/2021. There are 22 people present, including authorizations.

*Voting for the Budget 2020/2021*

22 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withheld

*The Budget 2020/2021 has been approved*

1. **Voting Policy 2020-2021**

*Voting for the Policy 2020/2021*

22 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withheld

*The Policy 2020/2021 has been approved.*

1. **Voting Board 28**

Amber Tolboom explains that the Board has explained their policy and budget, but that they are not a Board yet until the Change of the Board General Assembly. They will now be voted on as the future board, but they will not be installed just yet.

*Voting for Board 28 as future board*

22 votes in favor

0 votes against

0 votes withheld

*Board 28 is accepted as the future board of Itiwana!*

1. **Evaluation Board and Itiwana since the General Assembly: Midterm Evaluation**

Amber Tolboom asks if anyone has anything to say about the past few months. Person 1 says the board has handled corona great. Person 6 agrees. Simone Luca adds that the Change of the Board will take place in real life. Person 10 asks where it is. Simone L and Wouter answer that it’s in SC01. Rémi asks how many people will fit in there. Wouter and Simone L say it’s about 50 people. Person 6 asks if we can drink beer. Amber Tolboom says no. Simone says we’re not allowed to eat or drink because of corona rules.

1. **A.O.B.**

Amber Tolboom asks if there’s any other business. Nobody comments.

1. **Closing**

Amber Tolboom closes the General Assembly at 21:23.