General Assembly: Policy Presentation

September 14th 2021, 18:30

Location: Pieter de la Court, room SC01 and Zoom

1. **Opening**

Lin Hovenga opens the General Assembly at 18:32. She says that a Zoom is open, but nobody is in there yet. Rémi will tell her when someone wants to come in. Lin says there was a report written on the Itiwana Day, which can be read by all members. She also says that on the 24th of September a brainstorm session will take change, regarding the logo change. The idea is to share ideas about what is important for Itiwana and thus for a logo. Everyone is invited to come to this session.

1. **Announcements/Received documents**

Lin Hovenga says there were no announcements or received documents.

1. **Establishing agenda**

Lin Hovenga explains the agenda of that night. She asks if people have questions. Person 1 wants to know when the proxies are established. Lin says this will happen after establishing the agenda.

1. **Establishing voting committee**

Lin Hovenga wants to know who would like to be in the voting committee. Person 2 and Person 1 volunteer for the voting committee. They count the number of voters. There are 17 present and there are three proxies, so there are 20 voters in total.

1. **Voting minutes General Assembly: Logo Change, 16/06/2021**

Lin Hovenga explains how the voting will work; you can vote in favour, against or withhold.

*Voting for the minutes of the General Assembly: Midterm Evaluation*

18 votes in favour

0 votes against

2 votes withholding

Lin Hovenga says that 18 votes are in favour and that there are 2 withholds, so the minutes have been approved.

1. **Discuss/explain Annual Policy 2021-2022**

Lin Hovenga gives the floor to Charlotte van Straten, the upcoming chair of board XXIX. She says that the policy written by board 29 will be presented. First, there will be looked at the board division.

Person 1 asks why the Activities Committee is called Action Committee.

Charlotte van Straten says this is a mistake and that some things need to be changed, such as that the Theatre Committee is still in the policy, but that this should be removed. The function of confidants is also new.

The pillars of the board 29 are explained, which are ‘inclusivity, ‘sustainability’ and ‘communication’. Charlotte van Straten says that some of these pillars look very much like the pillars of the board 28, but this was done on purpose, as they believe these are good pillars. Board 29 wants to continue to work on these pillars.

Charlotte van Straten starts to explain the action points.

First, she highlights point 2. She explains there will be a congress directed toward member participation, to make sure all members can express themselves.

Person 2 says that, from experience, input is a great thing and necessary. She does wonder, however, how they are going to realize a congress. The member participation may be smaller than they think now, and it might be good to lower their expectations. A congress might be too big, as it is something very big to organize.

Charlotte van Straten says that they can also create input with a dinner or activity, and thus in a more comfortable setting. She explains that they also want to do a Sounding Board evening, just as board 28 did, to make sure people can spread their ideas.

Point 4 is highlighted, which says that they want to create opportunities for students to share their cultures.

Point 6 says that they want all activities to be in English.

Charlotte van Straten highlights point 8, which means that they want to make all members feel included. They will try to also think of ways to make activities, such as the study trip, more accessible. Charlotte van Straten says that they will also contact the faculty, etc., to raise funding optionally for those who cannot afford some study related activities.

Point 9 is highlighted, which says that there will be a confident person, where members can go to if they have problems. Kim Meijer and Scott Leesbergen can be approached for any issues within Itiwana, and their contact information will be online and at the Hok. There will be a contact hour every week for people who would like to talk to the confidants.

Charlotte van Straten then explains some points they took over from board 28, as these points are still very important. Point 10 means that they want to celebrate different holidays, and not just Dutch or Western traditions and celebrations. Point 11 means that signing-up for Itiwana will also be possible halfway the year. Point 12 says that the board will make a social contract with the board to fall back on.

Charlotte van Straten wants to know if there are any questions.

Person 1 says that the anonymous mailbox originates from board 24, so they need credits for this. She does love how board 28 is given credit throughout the policy. She also loves point 9, but they should know that Kim Meijer and Scott Leesbergen are not qualified to function as confidants. It is important to point that out, as people might have expectations that cannot be met. She also thinks that the social contract (point 12) might fit better underneath the pillar ‘communication’ than ‘inclusivity’.

Charlotte van Straten thanks Person 1 and says that they will include that board 24 had the mailbox idea first.

Person 4 gets the word. She says there are a lot of good ideas. She does want to point out the last sentence from the pillar ‘inclusivity’. Disability is mentioned there, but it is not really incorporated in the action list. There is a lot of focus on people who are internationals or who do not have funding for activities, but she doesn’t see anything there for people with disabilities. There should be a bit more attention there, for example making sure buildings are accessible, etc.

Person 2 has a quick side note to the confident persons (point 9). She would advise Scott and Kim Meijer to educate themselves on where to send people in the university. Pointing a confidant is a fantastic idea, but it also comes with tricky points, such as blurry lines of when to send someone to a certified contact person.

Iza Blankendaal says it’s important to make sure information on psychologists etc. are at the same place as where the contact information of the confidants is placed.

Tino wants to know if there are already specific ideas for activities for internationals (point 3). Kim Meijer says there is no specific idea yet, but there might be something with language. But if anyone has ideas, please let her know.

Thirza really likes the name of confidants. She says that the role of a confidant is either to send someone to another place, or to talk to them, so maybe the name must be changed to make it clearer what the confidants do.

Charlotte van Straten says that the idea was based on a story of someone having no place to go to within an association, and they just want a person people can go to with issues within the associations.

Rémi has one very small point. She says that it is better to the change the word ‘borrels’ into ‘drinks’, as it’s just the regular word for it.

Charlotte van Straten says they will change this.

Continue with the pillar ‘sustainability’. Charlotte van Straten highlights point 14: having a sustainability month in March. They want all committees to organize something related to sustainability. For example, on how to be sustainable. Furthermore, all committees must keep in mind sustainability regarding their plans (point 15).

Point 16 says there will be a bookdrive, where older students can sell their books to new students or use the money for students who need extra funding.

Charlotte van Straten highlights point 19, saying that there will be sustainable board blazers.

Person 1 loves the pillar as it’s very innovative. She does think, however, that the book drive (point 16) might fit better in the pillar ‘inclusivity’, since the point is that people with less funding get the profits.

Charlotte van Straten says it ties into both pillars.

Thirza van ‘t Rood wants to know how they are going to appoint people who could get extra money. Are they going to make a list of people who need extra funding?

Charlotte van Straten says there was some discussion on this. First, they wanted to point Donna van Uffelen as monetary confident, but it is hard to choose who will then get the money. The WOM advised them to contact the University. If people apply for money, they can then go to the monetary confidant, and she can decide on it.

Person 4 says to be careful with knowing, and documenting, who receives money and who does not. It’s a very sensitive topic.

Iza Blankendaal wants to know what the requirements are for someone to qualify for this funding.

Charlootte van Straten says they might look at incomes and expenses. It’s not finalized yet.

Iza Blankendaal says that maybe Donna can then use another person to help her with judging who gets money and who doesn’t.

Donna van Uffelen says it’s indeed not finalized yet. They will talk to the university and previous treasurer to make sure it will be a plan that really works. Money is a sensitive subject, so they will be careful.

Person 1 says that it’s good to give an update during the General Assembly: Change of Board, also because money things are very sensitive.

Charlotte van Straten agrees and says that only Donna and the person who checks her are allowed to see that list.

Person 2 really likes the idea and concept of it, but she has some question marks. To what extend is a study association such as Itiwana competent to support something this big. Isn’t it something the University can do, or another big institution? Without support from bigger institutions, this might go wrong.

Charlotte van Straten says that’s why they will still talk with the university about it. They will give an update during the Change of Board General Assembly.

Person 2 says she’s looking forward to the 5th of October.

Person 4 says it might not be a good idea to get into the private information of people, but if they need help, for example from a political party, they can contact her (LVS).

Person 1 says that it might be an idea to not make Donna van Uffelen the monetary confidant, but someone of the university. This person could then make a list and give that list to Donna. This way it is less heavy. She also wants to highlight point the sustainability month (point 15). She loves it but was wondering if there is someone who is the most responsible for the sustainability month. Every board member says something about sustainability in the policy, but there is no clear personal finally responsible.

Kim Meijer says that her function of Activities Officer will change, so she will possible also be the co-ordinator. It’s about checking whether people are sustainable and helping with ideas, etc. So, the responsibility falls on Kim Meijer.

The pillar ‘communication’ will be discussed. Charlotte van Straten says that a lot of communication will be digitalized, so there is less paper waste. This is therefore also more sustainable (point 17). They are also going to urge the first years committee to keep the parents evening online, to make sure international student’s parents can come too.

Point 21 is highlighted. There will be a Media Committee, which is the Photo Committee and the Bulletin Committee combined. It will have two chairs as well, as it is a bigger committee. All Bulletin issues will be digital, and they will be bundled at the end of the year, so one physical copy can be printed for the archives.

Iza Blankendaal says that the phone version of the website is still less good than the laptop version.

Marthe Baalbergen says she was making a new version, but the program crashed, so she’s working on it.

Thirza van ‘t Rood thought the Bulletin would be gone completely. She wonders if Charlotte van Straten can elaborate on what the Bulletin plan is now.

Charlotte van Strayen says that a lot of blogposts will be made throughout the year, and four times a year these posts are electronically bundled.

Person 2 has a question on the digital parent’s night. She understands this decision, but did they think of making it hybrid? Because in her experience the parents would like to visit the university very much. It is a very valuable experience for them.

Charlotte van Straten says she will urge the new first years committee to think about this.

Eva van der Boog says that when its hybrid, there is the possibility international parents won’t come, while the Dutch parents will, which gives a distinction. This might still be unfair and a hybrid event fits inclusivity.

Person 2 says that making it hybrid is what makes is inclusive.

Eva van der Boog says they will think about it.

Charlotte van Straten says she just got an idea, which is having a physical tour for the Dutch parents and then have an online tour for the international parents. The part where there is interaction with the teachers can then be done online.

Person 2 says that this sounds a lot better than doing it just digitally.

Florentino Rodao says that it reminds him of the pillars of board 28. He says to keep in mind not the sacrifice engagement in favour of inclusivity. He then wants to know what the main reason is that the Media Committee has been created.

Charlotte van Straten says they want to make a media platform, where new students can also take a look. A lot of photos are already posted online, so they can be merged within the blog.

Florentino Rodao says there is a growing number of members and that the committees are starting to get more filled. Seeing the rising numbers of students, they should take into account that the committees are a place to engage and be a part of Itiwana. He feels that having one committee less is also less place for members to join a committee. He is wondering what number they are expecting for the Media Committee.

Eva van der Boog says that the Media Committee will be bigger, so there’s more place for members. There will be around 10, so significantly more than in other committees.

Charlotte van Straten says they are, of course, still waiting for the applications.

Person 1 also has a question about the Media Committee. She loves the idea, also in terms of engagement as a lot of students go to Leiden anthropology for the media aspect. It’s a really good thing to have in Itiwana. But she also has a technical point, which is that there should be voted on each committee separated. She wants to know when there will be voted on it.

Charlotte van Straten says that there will be voted on several things later on. She then highlights point 24. There is an evaluation sheet for after each activity. The board will go over this to check how the activities went, and they will look at the activities considering the board’s pillars, etc.

Thirza van ‘t Rood wants to know if these forms will be saved, since it can help other boards.

Kim Meijer had the idea to make a Drive with all evaluation forms.

They continue explaining the board tasks. Charlotte van Straten takes the stage. She says that, as Itiwana’s chair, she will oversee communication with the WOM, the university, the VerO and the Institute, etc. She will guide board meetings, general assemblies and the first year’s committee.

She highlights point 3, saying that the Sounding Board will be continued. Board 28 might be involved, but board 29 will be responsible.

Point 7 means that she will encourage people to be sustainable within the association.

Thirza van ‘t Rood wants to highlight point 8 and working together with a non-profit organisation. Do they already have one in mind, and what is the general idea? Does she want to make a database or something?

Charlotte van Straten says doesn’t have a specific organization yet, but the database Thirza van ‘t Rood mentioned sounds cool.

Person 1 has two lay-out comments. She also says that point 9 should be a bit more concrete. They need to prove that they can do it. Do they already have ideas on how to promote it?

Charlotte van Straten says they are still thinking about it. They share ideas equally and receive input. It’s about being open minded.

Person 2 has a statement. She’s a contact person in the institute board, so they can contact her if needed.

Lin Hovenga says that point 3 and 4 of the General Assembly can be left out, as they are in the general policy.

Charlotte van Straten gives the word to Scott Leesberg. He will be the confidant, together with Kim Meijer, for people who want to discuss things in confidence. Kim Meijer and Scott Leesberg will try to find places in the university, so professional help can be found if needed.

Scott Leesberg highlights some of his points, such as point 1. He will be making the studytrip as sustainable as possible and keeping the level of waste low.

Person 1 says that point 1 and 2 of inclusivity and 6 of communication should be more concrete; they should be able to be ticked off. They are now a bit vague. She also says that the points regarding the travelcom should be under the committee part in the policy.

Person 1 says that Person 5 is very proud on the confidant thing.

Person 4 says that it might also be the task of the secretary to make everything more digitally accessible.

Scott Leesberg says they will think about this.

Roxanne Hendrix says that the merch might be a bit later than fall, as the merchandise from board 28 is in the fall as well. She also says that sustainable clothing is very expensive, since you don’t make profit on it.

Iza Blankendaal says that they should gauge among the members how much they would pay for a sustainable sweater. Otherwise, you have a sustainable sweater that nobody wants.

Scott Leesberg gives the floor to Donna van Uffelen. She will be the treasurer of board 29. She explains how she is responsible for all financial things. Personally, she wants to as transparent as possible about the money towards her board members. She explains that she is a confidant for students with financial issues, and that she is responsible for the food at the Hok-hours. She is also responsible for the merchandise.

Donna van Uffelen explains how there are some steps in her personal policy that need to be added to the policy of the Cooking Committee, so she will change that. She wants to introduce food from different cultures and make sure the Hok-hours are sustainable.

Donna van Uffelen and Roxanne Hendrix will change banks, from ING to Triodos, as ING is not sustainable (point 6). This will be talked about later that evening.

Iza Blankendaal says that this point might have to be made a bit smaller and more concrete.

Donna van Uffelen says that the WOM told her to elaborate more on that point.

Iza Blankendaal says it’s fine then.

Thirza van ‘t Rood highlights point 1, saying that celebrating different cultures is quite difficult. It might be something to think about in advance. She also says they have to make the point more concrete and clearer.

Donna van Uffelen says she doesn’t want to be on the forefront of activities as it won’t be about her culture, so she will make sure other people get the stage.

Person 2 has a remark. In the policy they have to change “board 28” and “board 29” into roman numerals instead of general numbers.

Donna van Uffelen highlights point 9, saying that she wants to give the new treasurers a training, to make sure that they know what to do as a treasurer.

Roxanne Hendrix says that point 9 might be in the general policy.

Rémi ten Hoorn says that she indeed had a treasurer training in her first year.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says that Scott Leesberg also can give a training to the secretaries of the committees.

Annika Krüger gets the floor. She will be the Educational Officer, and she will apply for the OpLeidings Commissie to present Itiwana on the OLC board. She will also be the treasurer in the LaSSA.

Annika Krüger highlights point 6 of inclusivity, saying how she plans to check on international students regularly, for example in the hallways.

She then highlights point 8; she will organize a book drive. She was thinking about using the money to finance some students, but this might be a bit complicated. There also is the idea to give it to the study trip, so all students pay a bit less.

Person 4 has a question regarding point 2. She wonders if the Program Board and OLC are not controversial. How do you make sure you represent all students, and not just Itiwana?

Person 2 says that you cannot represent Itiwana on the OLC board. You have to be in the program committee, as a student, but not to represent Itiwana. You need to represent all anthropology students, not Itiwana students.

Annika Krüger says that she worded it wrong. She will change it.

Person 1 thinks point 6 is really concrete, although Annika thought it was not. She thinks it’s great. She does think that point 9 can be a bit more concrete. Ask yourself how you’re going to do it.

Iza Blankendaal says that point 1 is in the annual policy, so it can go out of this policy.

Florentino Rodao highlights point 9. He says that it might be good to set an objective, to take a leading role to prompt meetings with the institute. Try to make it specific.

Amber Rademaker has a question about point 3. She wonders if that point is in the annual policy.

Rémi ten Hoorn says it’s not mandatory to be in the Education Committee as the Educational Officer, but it’s so obvious that it’s in the annual policy.

The floor is given to Kim Meijer. She will be the Internal Affairs Officer. The function previously was the Activities Officer, so it will change. The drinks and Hokhours will still be organized by the Internal Affairs Officer, but there also will be the possibility to take up more, such as sustainability and inclusivity.

Kim Meijer wants to know if there are questions about changing Activities Officer to Internal Affairs officer. There are no questions.

For inclusivity, Kim Meijer wants to focus mostly on third years and internationals. She also created the evaluation sheet for activities. It’s not finished yet, but there will also be questions here on the three pillars. It’s about reflecting on what happened during the activities, etc.

Thirza van ‘t Rood has a question. She remembered talking about a plan for masters.

Kim Meijers thinks this plan is in the policy of the Activities Committee. There will be a committee specifically for third years and masters. She will be together with Eva van der Boog.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says it’s cool to also make a plan with your successor, on how to involve masters more.

Person 1 loves point 2 of inclusivity. Point 4 of sustainability speaks for itself, so it can be taken out. Make some points more concrete.

Person 2wants to scroll back to the tasks Kim Meijer is taking. She says it’s a lot. There is quite a distinction between what she is going to do and what other board members are going to do. It might be good to give some tasks to other board members.

Kim Meijer noticed it, but her function is new, and she wants to try out a few things. She wants to know what works with the function, and what does not.

Person 2 says it’s okay when things don’t work. It just might be good to share some tasks with other board members.

Iza Blankendaal says that there are also some chair-tasks, which is quite a lot. Keep communicating with every board member. It’s a lot, so try to share things.

Roxanne Hendrix says point 7 might be removed, as this is already being worked on by board 28. Point 3 might be a bit more concrete.

Kim Meijer says this is also partly Donna van Uffelen’s task.

Person 1 says that point 7 says board XXIIX, which should be changed in XXVIII.

Kim Meijer gives the floor to Eva van der Boog. She will be the External Affairs Officer.

She will be the chair of the AA-committee She will also be the co-chair of the Media Committee. She will work on the clothing line, and she will organize an activity for third years and masters.

She wants to check which organizations are sustainable and which are not. She also wants to review current sponsorships on sustainability.

Eva van der Boog wants to give her fellow board members a monthly update on how it’s going with sponsors and communication.

Iza Blankendaal says point 1 and 6 should be more concrete.

Rémi ten Hoorn says that those points either need to go to the general policy, or need to be more specific.

Person 1 says point 7 is a general task.

Amber Rademaker refers to point 5, saying that it doesn´t end with 3rd year students, there are also 4th and minor students.

Eva van der Boog will change the wording.

Person 2 says point 7 can stay there when something new is added.

Iza Blankendaal says that ideas also come up throughout the boardyear, so the list will be longer during the midterm report.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says that the External Affairs Officer surely organizes something to raise money. Is that in the AA-committee part?

Eva van der Boog says it is.

The floor is given to Marthe Baalbergen, who will be the Communications Officer. She is the co-chair of the media committee. She will also be doing the ICA committee. The big thing that will be changed is the website. It will be more modern, and links will be renewed. The Dutch version will be deleted because it’s very unhandy.

With Kim Meijer she will think of a cool Committee Clash and Crazy 88. She will talk about the Media Committee during the committee part.

Marthe Baalbergen is going to make a promotional video from Itiwana.

Charlotte van Straten says she will be working with Marthe Baalbergen to make a list with internships, etc., to put on the website.

Person 1 says that point 3 of inclusivity is very nice, and that Djembé can be contacted for this. They can also think of how to promote sustainability in the Hok. Person 1 also says that she was on the front of the website, but there was no consent of it.

Person 3 says that everyone should give approval for using a photo, on the socials, etc. Always keep in mind ‘would I like to be on this photo’?

Person 1 says that point 10 can be taken out.

Person 4 says that disability is still not coming back. The social media and website are not very accessible. Think about this, make sure there are subtitles, image descriptions, etc. She also thinks that it should still be English/Dutch. It can be easier for non-English people.

Person 2 says CADS is bilingual, not English. She also says point 1 of inclusivity can be taken out.

Person 4 says that Crazy 88 might not be a proper name anymore. The word ‘crazy’ can be pretty ableist who are stigmatized as crazy or mad. It is important to think about this.

Amber Rademaker says that point 3 of the tasks is something that can be moved to the general policy.

Person 3 says that it might be an idea to follow some kind of training for the Media Committee/Communications Officer of how to be more inclusive online.

Person 4 says that you can get in touch with the diversity office or the ASP for this.

Person 2 says it is important that you look at websites that elaborate on ableist terms, as you can learn a lot about it for communication. Always check your bias.

Charlotte van Straten says she will contact to Vero/StOP about a course on ableism.

Rémi ten Hoorn says that, for time issues, it is not necessary to explain all the points on the policy. Some speak for itself.

Now there will be spoken about the committees.

First, Eva van der Boog explains the AA-committee. She wants to highlight point 4, which is about approaching organisations that are more involved with integration of international students. She wants to organize activities with organizations that stand for inclusivity, such as LGBTQIA+

For the pillar sustainability they will not just look at sponsor deals, but also at more sustainable ways of getting money. Such as the necklaces of this year, that are sustainable.

Eva van der Boog elaborates on point 9 of ‘Communication’. There will be a monthly update to the board.

Person 1 wants to know if the AA-committee has an alumni-member again.

Iza Blankendaal said she put it in the last newsletter and she got no reaction yet.

Eva van der Boog will keep trying to find someone, to incorporate more alumni.

Amber Rademaker wants to know why there is no activity with alumni and general members. For example, a tour in Leiden by members for alumni. And then afterwards drinks just for alumni.

Iza Blankendaal thinks it’s great to unite them. It might also be nice to invite old professors.

Person 2 says that it’s good to talk about it with the institute, as they are also organizing a reunion as well.

Person 1 says that it might be good to combine it. The active alumni are those who just graduated, so they might be interested.

Iza Blankedaal said that some alumni members told her that online activities help as well, as it is be easier to come. Maybe one online activity to attract more alumni.

The floor is given to Kim Meijer, who will be the chair of the Activities Committee. She was really into the idea of for members by members. She wants to ask people outside committees if they would like to help.

Person 1 says to be careful with point 5 of inclusivity; cultural celebrations. She would only do that if there are people who actually want to share their culture.

Kim meijer says that she wants to ask it in the beginning of the year if someone would like to help. She will add this to her policy.

Person 2 says that you can also try to team up with associations from these cultures, for example for a lecture or something. They might have people who can share their culture with Itiwana in a respectful way.

Iza Blankendaal says maybe to remove the word ‘cultural themes’, to already make it sound less problematic.

Person 3 says to make point 4 more concrete. How to reach these students, etc.

Then the floor is given to Eva van der Boog and Marthe Baalbergen, to explain the media committee. The idea is that this committee is bigger than other committees, as it is the Bulletin Committee and Photo Committee combined. There still are two chairs. There is a journalism side (Photo Committee, not just taking pictures, but also reporting activities. This be the task of Marthe Baalbergen). Eva van der Boog will do the other side. They will make blogposts like the Bulletin. Things will be posted on the blog and 4 times a year it will be bundled and send out online.

When you join this committee as a member, you can switch sides. Marthe Baalbergen and Eva van der Boog have their own sides, but people can do different things.

Person 4 doesn’t understand why point 3 is an inclusivity point.

Eva van der Boog understands, it’s more internal. They will take it out.

Person 2 loves the media committee and she’s excited to see what it’s going to produce. She’s not really into sending the Bulletin to the alumni, as they normally don’t receive it. But you can ask them whether they would like to receive it.

Eva van der Boog agrees.

Roxanne Hendrix has a question about the side of Marthe Baalbergen. What about the promotional members in each committee?

Marthe Baalbergen says the work will be divided.

Person 3 really likes the ideas of using different platforms and using social media extensively, but they should also make sure to be really careful about what platforms they use. Privacy regulations, for example, especially with TikTok. This might be something that has to be added to the sign-up form.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says that it’s very difficult to keep a big committee still fun and not just a group of people doing tasks. They can be less involved with each other. How are they going to keep the committee connected and a place for people to come together?

Eva van der Boog says that they want to keep that in mind and make committee activities.

Tino says to keep in mind the possibility to have the meetings separate. It creates a better bond, but also makes it easier to pick dates.

Eva van der Boog says that they might be able to do some meetings separate and some together.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says not to set things in stone too much. It’s a new committee, so keep things open. Don´t try to force something that doesn´t go naturally, if it doesn´t work out in a big committee, then don´t be afraid to split it or change it.

Person 1 says that the committees are now not longer in alphabetic order. Change that in the policy.

Donna van Uffelen will be talking about the Cooking Committee.

She highlights point 1, which is a focus on celebrating different cultures. The activities will be open to non-Itiwana members.

Iza Blankendaal says to keep in mind that people from Itiwana pay contribution for getting that food, because some people don’t pay and some people do. Maybe ask non-members for a little contribution.

Rémi ten Hoorn isn’t sure what Donna van Uffelen meant with ‘in regardless of committee-membership’. It should be changed to Itiwana-membership.

Donna van Uffelen says there is also the idea to organize a Ramadan activity with SPIL.

Thirza highlights point 2, saying that they also have to take into account allergies; having gluten free dishes, etc.

Donna van Uffelen says that will try to make options..

Amber Rademaker says that they can also use the sign-up forms for that.

The floor is given to Annika Krüger, who is the chair of the Education Committee.

She highlights point 2, which is always having dinner before the meeting.

She highlights point 4, which is always rotating who is the chair per meeting.

Person 2 understands the rotating chair, but she thinks it might make the meetings more chaotic. Having one chair is better.

Annika Krüger says it’s also something to do later one.

Thirza van ‘t Rood explains she tried this for the past semester with both of her committees and it worked pretty well. Sometimes it was okay, most times really well. Thirza van ‘t Rood says she sometimes stepped in a bit, but most of the times it worked really well.

Person 2 says that is good to hear.

The floor is given to Charlotte van Straten, who will be the chair of the First Years Committee. She explains that not much wil change.

Person 2 says that point 3 needs some hybrid options, as was discussed earlier in the evening.

Marthe Baalbergen is given the floor to talk about the ICA committee. She explains nothing will change, but that the committee will have more strict positions within.

Kim Meijer explains the Survival Committee. She really wants to do a hitchhike weekend, but it’s still very unclear what is possible and what is not. There’s nothing else to say about the committee.

Iza Blankendaal says that Kim Meijer can add that she is looking for alternative options for the hitchhike weekend, in case it cannot go through.

Scott Leesberg gets the floor to talk about the Travel Committee.

He wants to highlight point 3. Last year there was a survey on what people expected from the trip. They want to do that again this year and find out how the trip can be more inclusive.

Person 4 says point 3 needs to be clearer on inclusivity. Is it just inclusivity for internationals, or for everyone? When it comes to inclusivity in such a broad term, you either need to specify who you are talking about or make it broader.

Scott Leesberg says that he will make sure the trip is accessible for everyone who would like to join.

Person 2 says that refers to point 4, saying that they might be able to get funding from the university when the trip is more inclusive.

Scott Leesberg explains that they want to go by train, as that is more sustainable.

Iza Blankendaal says that you should try of course, but that trains are quite expensive. Look at it already, and as soon as possible.

Person 1 says that StOP is looking into subsidies for study trips that are more sustainable. There also is a sustainable activity from them on the 27th of September.

Kim Meijer will be talking about the Logo Committee. She explains how out this idea came out of the last General Assembly. She will try to ask older years to join the committee and think about the logo, etc. She is responsible, but not the person who is mainly responsible.

Person 1 says that it might be better to not make it a committee. It is more like a thinktank, because it’s easier to step away for the board then.

Kim Meijer says she thinks it would be nice to have a few people who organize the collected information during the meetings.

Person 4 says that the concept of inclusivity is missing again. Discussing cultural appropriation is just not embedded. She’s missing a point on where and how they make sure that cultural appropriation will be avoided.

Lin Hovenga advises really to use the brainstorm session on September 24. The logo change is not on Kim Meijers shoulders, so try to use everyone who is involved.

Roxanne Hendrix wants to highlight point 2. She says that they might have to get rid of the sentence ‘we do not change it again’ as Itiwana stays fluid as anthropology. A logo change might be possible in the future.

Kim Meijer says she wants to make it as much permanent as possible, that’s what she meant with that point.

Person 2asks to use roman numerals instead of numbers.

Thirza van ‘t Rood wants to say something about Kim Meijer wanting to take a step back in the process. She will need to find really motivated people to keep this going, so consider being there all the time, as some sort of chair, who organizes meetings and stuff.

Kim Meijer already had that in mind. She just doesn’t want to be the main person.

Thirza van ‘t Rood says that most people need something or someone to follow. Don’t come up with things yourself all the time, but make sure there is structure. Make sure the discussion keeps going and make people motivated.

Lin Hovenga says that you can ask previous boards and non-Itiwana anthropology members. People who would like to help Itiwana. It’s going to be a huge part of the coming year(s). An external person can be a coordinator as well.

Person 1 says that it’s even more important to really involve the old members, AS they are the most passionate about this. Maybe is it good to first approach the older people, instead of the first years.

Amber Rademaker wants says they should try to make it easy to join.

Charlotte van Straten now wants to say somet2hing on Covid-19. She says they will keep in mind the restrictions.

Rémi ten Hoorn says that online activities still need to happen, maybe even only 4 times a year. Just to make sure everyone can come, as there are students who might not be able to go to physical activities all the time.

Person 2 wants to say some general remarks, mostly about the lay-out and how it looks right now. There are periods missing, things are not bold, quite some spelling mistakes, the lay-out is different, and the Itiwana logo is missing. She’s just missing the professional font Itiwana’s policies always have. She advices to go over it again and take out all of the imperfections.

Charlotte van Straten aid they purposely left out the logo.

Person 2 says she understands that, but there is a lay-out needed, and that is missing now.

Scott Leesberg and Charlotte van Straten will go over the lay-out together.

Then Charlotte van Straten explains what will change to the General Policy.

The Theatre Committee will be given to future boards, so the next board that does a lustrum year can then create a Theatre Committee.

Person 1 wants to know if there will be a lustrum committee next to a Theatre Committee.

Charlotte van Straten says they had something in mind like a large theatre production and a gala afterwards.

1. **Break**

*Lin Hovenga proposes the break at 21:15.* It will last until 20:25

1. **Discuss/explain budget 2021-2022**

*Lin Hovenga continues at 20:31.* Roxanne Hendrix gets the floor.

She explains how in the budget it’s still Photocom + Bulletin Committee, but if voted in favour these will come together, which means there’s 870 euros for the Mediacom.

Iza Blankendaal says it didn’t sound very well that the MediaCommittee is receiving so much money, even when the First Years Committee if organizing a weekend.

Donna van Uffleen says they will also buy microphones etc., which is very expensive.

Amber Rademaker thinks the money can better be used for oher things, as it’s almost 900 euros and they are not even organizing activities. It’s 100 euros a month now, which is a lot.

Person 1 says it should be more in proportion with other committees.

Donna van Uffelen says most committees already had a budget improvement, but she will see how to make it more balanced.

Person 1 also wonders if they already applied for a credit card, as she is now in charge of the credit card.

Donna van Uffelen says this is still a bit of a thing, as there is a bank change, so it’s more difficult with the credit card.

Iza Blankendaal wants to know if the budget is settled if we vote for it.

Person 1 says it’s not if we vote for it conditionally.

Amber Rademaker seriously wonders where the 870 euros from the Media Committee is going to.

Donna van Uffelen doesn’t really know, as it is up to the Media Committee. If she notices they are using less money, then things can be changed during another GA.

Amber Rademaker wonders where it then could go to.

Iza Blankendaal says she gets they want so to decide later where the money goes to, but a lot of committees already make plans at the beginning of the year with the money they receive from Itiwana.

Roxanne Hendrix says that the money then can go to the trip, so more people can go. For example, to create a funding.

Person 1 says that there can be put in a vote of less money to the committee.

Person 4 still wants to know what the original plan was with the money.

Roxanne Hendrix explains they gave so much money to the Media Committee because it is a start-up committee, and there was so much money left that they just gave it more.

Iza Blankendaal thinks that the original amount of money for the Bulletin (600 euros) is fine.

Person 2 says that even 300 to 400 euros is fine. There are so many more things you can do with that money.

Person 4 also says that the inclusivity points can be achieved better with this money.

Iza Blankendaal says that the trips should also not be underestimated.

Lin Hovenga says that it’s also nice that you can use the overshot of money to make everything more sustainable. Look at it from the bright side.

Amber Rademaker says that the 800 euros is nice when everything is more concrete. Now it’s best to use the money in other ways unless there is a concrete plan.

Person 2says to give the consisting activities more.

Person 1 says that we will vote on the budget on the condition that it will be changed.

Donna van Uffelen wants to know if they are going to vote right away.

Person 1 says this will happen later.

Donna van Uffelen explains there’s extra money in the section ING/Triodos Bank as there will be a bank switch.

Person 2 suggests to vote for the budget and the policy right away, because the faculty will close after a while.

Donna van Uffelen also explains that the polaroid is broken, so they will buy a new one.

1. **Voting Budget 2021/2022**

Lin Hovenga says that there can be voted, under condition, for the Budget 2021/2022. There are 21 people present, including authorizations.

*Voting conditionally for the Budget 2021/2022*

21 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withholding

*The Budget 2021/2022 has been approved under condition*

1. **Voting Annual Policy 2021/2022**

Lin Hovenga says there can be voted, under condition, for the Policy 2021/2022.

*Voting conditionally for the Policy 2021/2022*

21 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withholding

*The Policy 2021/2022 has been approved under condition*

1. **Voting Media Committee**

Lin Hovenga says there can be voted for adapting the Bulletin Committee into the Media Committee.

21 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withholding

*Adapting the Bulletin Committee into the Media Committee has been approved.*

1. **Voting Internal Affairs Officer**

Lin Hovenga says there can be voted for adapting the Activities Officer into the Internal Affairs Officer.

21 votes in favour

0 votes against

0 votes withholding

*Adapting the Activities Officer into the Internal Affairs Officer has been approved*

1. **WDO**

Claire van den Helder will be the chair of the WDO. She says that she is looking forward to this year, and how there is an introduction activity on Thursday. She can be contacted if there are any questions.

The floor is given to Rémi ten Hoorn, who will be the treasurer of the WDO. She explains the budget. WDO gets 9% of Itiwana’s income from the memberships. There is a lot of money left from the previous year, but as the WDO already receives quite some from Itiwana, she won’t use all of the Covid-19 surplus. She has decided to use 50 euros, so the board 93 can continue the plan of board 92 to make WDO disciplinary.

Person 2 says this might be a great opportunity to enlarge the Dies, as there is a lot of money left.

Rémi ten Hoorn says she was already thinking about it, but she wasn’t sure.

Person 2 says to definitely make it really big.

1. **LaSSA**

Amber Rademaker will be the chair of LaSSA. There will be three activities this year: a congress, a career day and party.

Annika Krüger will tell something short about the budget. She explains how there might be a participation fee for the activities, as the Abv gave less money because of Covid-19.

Person 2 said that when she was in the LaSSA, there was something with the money for the hitchhike weekend. They transferred the money, but received the money back, while the accommodation still had received the money as well. What happened to this money?

Annika Krüger says this is still in the buffer. It has still gone unclaimed.

1. **Discussion**

Person 1 has a file from Person 5 with spelling check things, as there are really a lot of spelling mistakes. Board 29 will go over this.

1. **Evaluation Board and Itiwana since the last GA: Logo Change, 16/06/2021**

Lin Hovenga explains there’s not much time left, but there is the evaluation of the board.

Person 2 wants to know if this is the evaluation of board 28.

Lin Hovenga says yes.

Person 2 says she’s so proud of all of them!

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

The faculty was closing, so there was no time left for the Any Other Business.

1. **Closing**

Lin Hovenga closes the General Assembly at 21.51.