

Minutes: Arts Council Meeting – 25th of September 2008

Present: Franz Andres Morrissey (department representative), Christopher Huguenin (chair), Tanja Willi (treasurer), David Schönthal (secretary), Björn Messerli (website), Alexander Sigrist (film club), Julian Soldat (PR)

Excused: Christiane Schlote (department representative)

Agenda

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1. Approval of last minutes

The minutes of March 13th 2008 are approved by all present members.

2. Check to-do list

- Matt still hasn't sent the list of venues to Cindy. Therefore the committee decides to collect such a list on its own. The following venues have been mentioned: Mappamondo, Reithalle, Gymnasium Neufeld, Käfigturm, Katakömbli, Mensa Unitobler (concerts), Alibaba 40 (concerts), HaberHuus, La Capella (~), Graffiti, Café Kairo (small, well-booked, poetry session), Tojo, Unitobler backyard (Platanenhof), Space at the back of Uni (difficult). **All members** are asked to think about some more venues for the next meeting.
- Chris asks those, whose picture is not on the web yet (**Franz, Tanja, Björn, David, Chris, Alexander, Julian**) to send a picture to Björn.
- The committee decides not to ask Simon about the introductory text for the website again. Instead, **Chris** volunteers to write it.

3. Project Accounting

Instead of writing guidelines on how to hand in the finances, Tanja introduces a program which helps organising and visualising the finances of a project. The committee approves of this program and decides that future projects are obligated to use it. Otherwise the project will not be accepted. **Tanja** will send the program to Björn so that he can put it on the website.

4. New Arts Council Cellar

David informs the committee that the Arts Council has got its own cellar now. In the summer break David, Alexander, Julian, Björn and Chris have moved the whole inventory (apart from a few stage design objects) to the new cellar. David also informs that he will rewrite the inventory list as soon as possible. **Franz** suggests that he will help **David** translating it into English and defining which Props have been used in which Project. Franz also suggests to get rid of some things which cannot be used anymore.

5. Website

- Chris reminds Björn to update the website. Björn says that he has not had a meeting with Cindy yet because she wants to do her exams first. Cindy must introduce Björn to the system of the website. Björn and Cindy will have a meeting as soon as possible. Afterwards he will take over and update the website.

- The committee also talks about the structure on the website. Most of all the subdivision (into 'Arts Council' and 'Drama Activities') is confusing. Franz and Tanja explain to the newer members that there is a 'Drama Society' which is part of the Arts Council. The 'Drama Society' has not got a name yet, because the past committee could not decide on one. Such a name would have to appear on all the posters of student's drama projects. The committee decides that the 'Drama Society' either should get a name, or should be taken out. **All the members** are asked to think about a name. Franz suggests 'Drama Kings and Queens'. David says that it would be important to inform all the students about the existence of the 'Drama Society'. Otherwise it is very disturbing.

6. New Arts Council Booklet

David informs the committee that the current booklet is an old version and contains wrong information. Franz suggests creating a **postcard** which only contains the Arts Council's website and logo. This would make it unnecessary to create a new booklet whenever the Arts Council is restructured. The students could check website in order to get all the information. The committee approves of Franz's suggestion

7. New PR

Julian is asked whether he would like to become the Arts Council's PR. **Julian** agrees and is welcomed to the Arts Council by the committee.

8. Project proposals

- Franz introduces two new projects:

- A performance (no lecture) of Will Kaufmann which would take place on the 27th of November. The Arts Council agrees to promote this event and to pay Will **500.- SFr.**

- A concert of Dewi Williams and Dick Watts in the Alibaba 40 on the 23rd of October. Franz says that he needs no money from the Arts Council. However, the committee decides to promote this event, and to spend around **50.- SFr** for posters.

The Arts Council logo will have to be on these posters.

- David had the idea to write a Literature List which students could consult. However, the Students Committee took over and is doing that project now. David will talk to the Students Committee in order to find out if it would be possible to collaborate with them.

- The committee talks about doing a Panto in February. Franz says that he has not got the time to write a new one, but would happily offer one of his two scripts he has already written: Cindarella or Aladdin. Alexander informs Franz that he would like to direct it.

- Alexander informs the committee that the rehearsals of the play '<place name here>' ('And Play End Play' and 'Genesis') have started and that he is going to apply for funding.

9. Anniversary sub-committee

There still is no sub-committee for the 111th anniversary of the English Department. It is not clear whether there will only be a sub-committee for the 11th anniversary of the Arts Council. The committee decides that the students will be informed about the sub-committee on the GA. Alexander says that he will send the information about the sub-committee to the cast of '<place name here>'. The task of the sub-committee would be to organise projects for the anniversary. Franz says that it should brainstorm about possible projects and introduce them to the Arts Council. Afterwards the sub-committee should organise the chosen projects. **Tanja** informs the committee that she cannot take part in the sub-committee anymore, but she will help as a treasurer. **Chris** and **David** also cannot take part in the sub-committee anymore.

10. AOB

- The Arts Council should have another General Assembly as soon as possible. **Julian** says that he will ask the Student's Committee whether it would be possible to have our GA right after theirs, which takes place on the 15th of October. **Julian** will inform the Arts Council as soon as possible.

- **Björn** will ask Cindy about the mail address of the Arts Council.

- In an e-mail vote the Arts Council has decided to pay Lukas Etter 572.- SFr for his Photo Exhibition.

- Alexander informs the committee that the Film Club has had a fairly good start with its new program 'High Noon'.

Minutes: September 28, by David Schönthal