

The Verein Board Annual General Meeting 2026 - Minutes

Date & Time: 18 March 2026

Location: (in person)

Minute-taker: Carlotta de Vivanco

Moderator: Haley Scribner

Board members present: Robert Lenk / Haley Scribner/ Carsten Casper /Jamie Turner/Carissa Tazo'o/ Carlotta de Vivanco

Attendees: Robert Erlbaum, Angelika Ecke, Ben Bowers, Stephen Hoffman, Kristen Winkler, Helge Martens, Sandra Doca, Katrin Rustici, Will Wollbold, Eva El-Alfy, Lars Bespolka, Jacqui Bespolka, Kim Douglass, Heidi Hermisson, Megan Jackson, Theresa Helou, Maggie Towe, Jim Towe, Andreas Gebhard, Olaf Graf, Puviy Manickam, Antje Staritz-Thams, Lori Cook

Election Officials: Hollis Ball, Oskar Kant (student), Josephine Maus (student)

Total Eligible Votes: 24

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda for the AGM as presented.

Vote Total: unanimous by show of hands

Approved

Note: all persons in room eligible to approve agenda

Chair Report

Presented by: Robert Lenk

(SEE SLIDES)

The Chair presented the main achievements and challenges of 2025.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by: Carsten Casper

(SEE SLIDES)

The treasurer's report was presented. A special thank you to Till Bendschneider was expressed for his patience and support. Some questions of clarification on the Student Activity Fund were addressed.

School Shop Report

Presented by: Haley Scribner

(SEE SLIDES)

The School Shop had an exceptional year. A thank you to Kim Douglass and the school shop volunteers was expressed.

Locker Committee Report

Presented by: Jamie Turner

(SEE SLIDES)

The Locker Committee Report was presented. A special thank was expressed to all Locker Committee volunteers for their hard work, especially to Toby Keller for having taken on substantive tasks on behalf of the Board.

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Auditors' Report

Presented by: Sandra Doca & Will

(SEE SLIDES)

The Auditors presented their report. They recommended "Discharge limited to presented and audited accounts FY2025 only"

They clarified they had audited the books of the Verein Board and recommended for the next board to look into the ownership of other accounts, especially the SAF.

A lengthy Q&A took place. Discussion centered around the responsibilities vis a vis the SAF. Clarifications were requested on why the SAF was not included in the Treasurer's Report. The Board informed the membership that follow-up discussions on the responsibilities towards the SAF were already scheduled with the Administration.

Discharge of the Board

Presented by: Haley Scribner

Discussion centered around the responsibilities vis a vis the SAF and its Audit.

(invalid)

Note: 24 possible votes were in attendance.

Vote Total: 12 Yes, 13 No, 1 Abstention

Constitutional Changes

Presented by: Carsten Casper & Carlotta de Vivanco

Strengthening the General Assembly

(invalid)

Note: 24 possible votes were in attendance.

Vote Total: 26 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstention

Flexible Distribution of Roles within the Vorstand

Discussion focused around accountability lines in this model. Clarifications were requested on the mechanism and obligation of the board to distribute tasks.

(invalid)

Note: 24 possible votes were in attendance. Not possible to confirm eligible voters. Vote Total:

7 Yes, 14 No, 3 Abstention

Clarification on Circular Resolutions

(invalid)

Note: 24 possible votes were in attendance. Not possible to confirm eligible voters. Vote Total:

19 Yes, 0 No, 4 Abstention

Adoption of a Budget Plan

Discussion focused around clarification of what a budget plan entails and the timing.

(invalid)



Note: 24 possible votes were in attendance. Not possible to confirm eligible voters. Vote to Table Total: 17 Yes, 4 No, 2 Abstention

After review of the eligible voters, attendance sheet, and log of votes, the Board concluded that the elections that took place during the AGM represented too few or too many votes as per voting members present to be considered valid.

Therefore, all votes outside of the Agenda have been deemed invalid.

To represent best possible governance, the voting items will be held again during the next AGM.

Meeting Adjourned at: 21:37

Next Meeting Date: New AGM to be called as soon as SAF Audit has been discussed with the Administration and completed.