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# Protocol of the UFO general assembly (FS) 06. March 2024, 18.15, CHN C14

## Attendance list

| <b>Board</b>    | <b>UFO-Members</b>  | <b>Guests</b>     |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Eva Rathgeb     | Younga Lee          | Botond Gati       |
| Sonja Haller    | Maé Moriggia        | Philipp Junghans  |
| Anna Weber      | Lucas Koch          | Elina Fansone     |
| Sophie Stade    | Matilda Schmidli    | Josephine Mueller |
| Ayca Kosanak    | Niclas Häuser       | Elijan Lang       |
| Yaara Schaaff   | Angelika Koch       | Jakob Storn       |
| Mario Wildhaber | Adrien Pinho        | Miku Nakamura     |
| Lukas Wirth     | Linn Hille-Dahl     | Mika Chadzelek    |
| Daan Gammeter   | Silja Estermann     | Aurelia Klein     |
| Yitao Li        | Vanessa Hauri       |                   |
| Maike Friedel   | Meret Kaiser        |                   |
| Paul Condrau    | Ronja Huggenberger  |                   |
|                 | Annika Koll         |                   |
|                 | Helene Du           |                   |
|                 | Aparna Hettipathira |                   |
|                 | Helena Golling      |                   |
|                 | Mario Bielsz        |                   |
|                 | Yara Caduff         |                   |
|                 | Sereina Hinder      |                   |
|                 | Emilia Clauss       |                   |
|                 | Joelle Reifenrath   |                   |
|                 | Lucas Mürger        |                   |
|                 | Laurence Kamber     |                   |
|                 | Nik Zimmerli        |                   |
|                 | Yasmin Becker       |                   |



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## **Agenda Points**

- 1. Election of tellers for this GV**
- 2. Approval of agenda points**
- 3. Approval of last GV's minutes**
- 4. Presentation of UFO Board**
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- 8. Election of UFO board FS24**
- 9. Election of Extraordinary UFO members**
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- 17. Announcements from Project commission (PK)**
- 18. Honorary Member**
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- 20. TdBK regulation changes**
- 21. Retirements of board members HS23**
- 22. Varia**

## 1 Election of tellers for this GV

Yitao Li starts the GV by welcoming everyone. Then two tellers must be elected for this GV. Philipp Junghans and Elijan Lang offer to be the tellers and are unanimously accepted.

## 2 Approval of agenda points

Yitao Li introduces the agenda points that were already sent to all UFO-members in advance. Laurence Kamber wants to add the agenda point "Honorary Member". Yitao Li proposes to add this new agenda point at position 18. The agenda point "Honorary Member" at position 18 is unanimously accepted with one abstention.

Paul Condrau asks if the voting can be done by first asking who is against the motion, then asking who abstains and then calculating the number of votes for the motion. Yitao Li agrees.

## 3 Approval of last GV's minutes

The protocol of the last GV meeting 12.10.2023 is unanimously accepted.

## 4 Presentation of UFO Board

Yitao Li asks the board members to come forward and present themselves. Each board member introduces themselves, says what position they have and what they did throughout the last semester. Yitao Li presents the missing members.

## 5 Budget Amendments 2023/2024

Lukas Wirth shows the budget amendments (figure 1 and 2) and explains them. The three main amendments are the Actives Event, Vertical, and the Merchandise. He explains that the deficit in the end will not be as big as -12'720 CHF.

Paul Condrau asks why the mugs are so expensive. Lukas Wirth explains that UFO's stock of mugs is almost empty, and UFO wants to buy new ones which are to be sold in the next few years. Only the deficit is written down.

Helena Golling asks if the budget of the UFOndue was changed. Lukas Wirth denies.

Paul Condrau asks why the deficit of the Projekti Kommissionsanlass is less. Lukas Wirth explains that he has lowered the deficit for every commission in order to add for the actives event. He also mentions that the overall money going to commissions is higher if you include this event.

Lukas Münger asks how much money UFO makes in a year. Lukas Wirth explains that this is hard to say. Right now, UFO has made a huge profit because the bills from the Week'n'ride haven't been paid yet. As soon as this has been done, the profit will be smaller. The free association asset was about 87'000 CHF last year.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of accepting the budget amendments of 2023/2024? They are unanimously accepted.

## 5. Budget Amendments 2023/2024

| Budgetpunkt                             | Old value                            | New value                          |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Vorstandsanlass                         | -1440 CHF                            | -1260 CHF                          |
| Projekti Kommissionsanlass              | -1200 CHF                            | -1050 CHF                          |
| SUK Kommissionsanlass                   | -2100 CHF                            | -1900 CHF                          |
| AFK Kommissionsanlass                   | -1280 CHF                            | -1120 CHF                          |
| Actives Event                           | 0 CHF                                | -1400 CHF                          |
| Vertical                                | 0 CHF                                | -300 CHF                           |
| Merchandise (neu nur noch Stickers etc) | 4000 CHF Expenses/ -5000 CHF Revenue | 200 CHF Expenses/ -450 CHF Revenue |
| Tassen                                  | undefined                            | -2700 CHF (probably 144 mugs)      |
| Vorstand- und AFK-Pullis                | undefined                            | -3500 (60 Sweaters)                |

|                | Old            | Proposed       |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Total revenue  | CHF 98'860.00  | CHF 95'060.00  |
| Total expenses | CHF 105'370.00 | CHF 107'780.00 |
| Difference     | CHF -6'510.00  | CHF -12'720.00 |

Figure 1: Overview of Budget Amendments 2023/2024 (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 8)

## 5. Budget Amendments 2023/2024

| Overview of current event expenses |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Ufondue                            | +555 CHF        |
| Kerzenziehen                       | -173 CHF        |
| Bouldern                           | +67 CHF         |
| Master Weekend                     | -804 CHF        |
| Chlaushöck                         | +342 CHF        |
| ESF                                | +850 CHF        |
| <b>Total (Events)</b>              | <b>+836 CHF</b> |

Figure 2: Overview of the current event expenses (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 9)

## 6 Budget 2024/25

Ayca Kosanak shows the overview of the budget of 2024/2025 (figure 3) and explains that the deficit is smaller than in the ongoing year to reduce the assets.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of accepting the budget of 2024/2025? It is unanimously accepted.

### 6. Budget 2024/2025

Projekti commission:

money available for projects, reach out if interested :)

General:

No big changes, but less one time expenses (Hoodies)

|               | Board         | Projekti<br>commission          | SUK            | AFK            | TdBK          | Total                       |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| total revenue | 25'460.00 CHF | 29'950.00 CHF                   | 21'000.00 CHF  | - CHF          | 19'250.00 CHF | 95'660.00 CHF               |
| total expense | 8'600.00 CHF  | 40'370.00 CHF                   | 27'295.00 CHF  | 4'815.00 CHF   | 19'030.00 CHF | 100'110.00 CHF              |
| difference    | 16'860.00 CHF | - 10'420.00 CHF                 | - 6'295.00 CHF | - 4'815.00 CHF | 220.00 CHF    | - 4'450.00 CHF              |
| notes         | VSETH         | week'n'ride and<br>other events | PVK            | events         | ESF           | deficit to reduce<br>assets |

Figure 3: Budget 2024/2025 (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 11)

## 7 Exoneration of board HS23/24

The exoneration of the board is unanimously accepted.

## 8 Election of UFO Board FS24

Yitao Li presents the candidates for the UFO board of this semester.

| Name               | Role on the Board       |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Yitao Li           | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Lukas Wirth        | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Ayca Kosanak       | Treasurer (hitherto)    |
| Sonja Haller       | Board member (hitherto) |
| Marcel Reichmuth   | Board member (hitherto) |
| Maike Friedel      | Board member (hitherto) |
| Sophie Stade       | Board member (hitherto) |
| Mario Wildhaber    | Board member (hitherto) |
| Ronja Huggenberger | Board member (hitherto) |
| Janne Lenzlinger   | Board member (hitherto) |
| Yaara Schaaff      | Board member (hitherto) |
| Eva Rathgeb        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Anna Weber         | Board member (new)      |

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the presidents? Yitao Li and Lukas Wirth are unanimously accepted.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the treasurer? Ayca Kosanak is unanimously accepted.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the rest of the board? It is unanimously accepted.

## 9 Election of Extraordinary UFO members

Yitao Li explains what an extraordinary member is: If you study environmental sciences and pay the VSETH fee you are automatically an UFO member. Other people who would like to join UFO need to be an extraordinary member. Then he introduces the electees (figure 4).

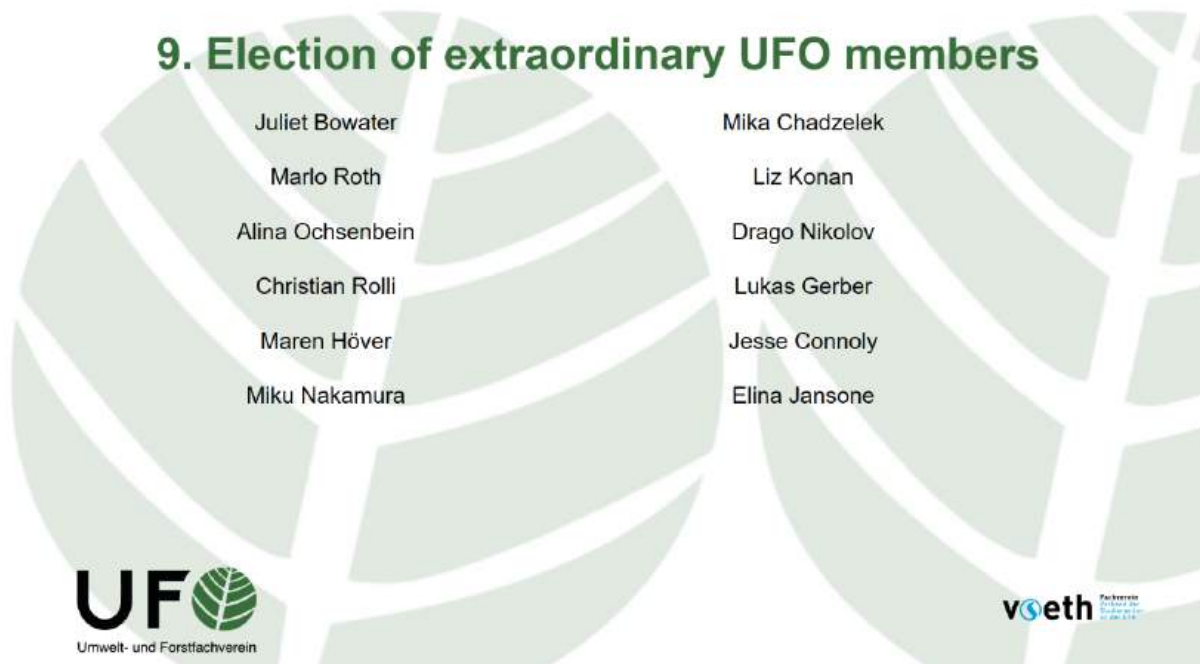


Figure 4: electees of extraordinary UFO members (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 18)

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the extraordinary members all at once? It is unanimously accepted.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing these people as extraordinary members? They are unanimously accepted.



## 10 AFK

Sophie Stade presents the board and the presidency of AFK and tells what events they did over the last semester. AFK is the academic forestry association for students in the major of Forestry and Landscape and people who are interested in forestry. The events of AFK are open to all. AFK has connections to other forest-study programs, for example HAFL or IFSA. One of the upcoming events of AFK is the “Maibowle” and the “Quo Vadis?”.

## 11 Election of AFK board FS24

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the AFK board? The board is unanimously accepted.

| Name                  | Role on the Board       |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Sofie Stade           | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Aaron Kopp            | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Noah Manohar          | Board member (hitherto) |
| Virginia Molin        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Johanna Wierer        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Flavia Luz            | Board member (hitherto) |
| Samuel Zweifel        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Sarina Christen       | Board member (hitherto) |
| Simona Staub          | Board member (hitherto) |
| Mark Bernath          | Board member (hitherto) |
| Maria Drzewicz        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Maren Lebender        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Simona Rödlach        | Board member (hitherto) |
| Johanna Gärtner       | Board member (new)      |
| Christelle Zimmermann | Board member (new)      |
| Yara Caduff           | Board member (new)      |
| Younij Lee            | Board member (new)      |



## 12 TdBK

Mario Wildhaber presents the TdBK and tells what they did over the last semester. They went beer tasting in Appenzell as their board event and had a silent disco.

## 13 Election of ThirstdayBar committee (TdBK) FS24

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the TdBK board? The board is unanimously accepted.

| Name             | Role on the Board       |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| Mario Wildhaber  | President (hitherto)    |
| Jael Moser       | Co-Treasurer (hitherto) |
| Frédéric Haffter | Co-Treasurer (hitherto) |
| Elena Szüle      | Board member (hitherto) |
| Lena Riedi       | Board member (hitherto) |
| Ronja Matzer     | Board member (hitherto) |
| Christian Rolli  | Board member (hitherto) |
| Sophie Büchi     | Board member (hitherto) |
| Ruben Frank      | Board member (hitherto) |
| Yara Caduff      | Board member (hitherto) |
| Marcel Reichmuth | Board member (new)      |
| Lucas Koch       | Board member (new)      |
| Yitao Li         | Board member (new)      |

## 14 SUK

Yaara Schaaff presents the SUK and tells what they did over the last semester. SUK stands for “Studierenden Unterrichtskommission”, has about 20 members, and their job is to help in teaching decisions while they represent the student’s opinions. Last semester they went bowling with the department, hosted the TdBK one time and worked on a project called PAKETH. PAKETH stands for “Prüfungen und akademischer Kalender ETH”. By 2026 ETH wants to revise its academic calendar and study regulations, so the lectures and workload gets optimised.

## 15 Election of study committee (SUK)

Vote: Is everyone in favour of electing the AFK board? The board is unanimously accepted.

| Name                | Semester                             |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Aparna Hettipathira | 2.Semester (hitherto)                |
| Helene Du           | 2.Semester (hitherto)                |
| Yaara Schaaff       | 4.Semester & Co-President (hitherto) |
| Esther Thomasius    | 4.Semester & Co-President (hitherto) |
| Emma Hilgenstock    | 4.Semester (hitherto)                |
| Nadia Kuhn          | 6.Semester (hitherto)                |
| Sereina Hinder      | 6. Semester (hitherto)               |
| Noemi Lemcke        | 6. Semester (hitherto)               |
| Anna Kuhn           | Master (A&C) (new)                   |
| Noee Knecht         | Master (A&C) (hitherto)              |
| Lena Probst         | Master (B&PD) (hitherto)             |
| Jonathan Blumenthal | Master (E&E) (hitherto)              |
| Yara Caduff         | Master (E&E) (hitherto)              |
| Aurel Mäder         | Master (ES&P) (hitherto)             |
| Yitao Li            | Master (ES&P) (new)                  |
| Mark Bernath        | Master (F&LM) (hitherto)             |
| Simona Staub        | Master (F&LM) (hitherto)             |
| Maren Lebender      | Master (F&LM) (hitherto)             |
| Virginia Molin      | Master (F&LM) (hitherto)             |
| Ana Alonso Hellweg  | Master (HHN&E) (hitherto)            |
| Anna Shalin         | Master (HHN&E) (hitherto)            |

## 16 Project commission (PK)

Paul Condrau presents the Project commission.

| Name             | Role on the Board       |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| Anna Weber       | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Martina Rizzi    | Co-President (hitherto) |
| Maike Friedel    | Member (hitherto)       |
| Yitao Li         | Member (hitherto)       |
| Esther Thomasius | Member (hitherto)       |
| Adrien Pinho     | Member (hitherto)       |
| Silja Estermann  | Member (hitherto)       |
| Quirin Bleuler   | Member (hitherto)       |
| Urs Falch        | Member (hitherto)       |
| Marcel Reichmuth | Member (hitherto)       |
| Janne Lenzlinger | Member (hitherto)       |
| Lily Elisha      | Member (new)            |
| Yaara Schaaff    | Member (new)            |

Yitao Li says that the PK members do not get elected at a GV but rather during an UFO meeting.

## 17 Announcements from Project commission (PK)

Last semester PK organized events such as the UFOndue, candle making, and the beer pong tournament. The upcoming events are UFOria, Velove bike fixing event, Tichu tournament, Trivia night TdB, Schnippeldisco, and a few more.

## 18 Honorary Members

Laurence Kamber says that their idea is to introduce the idea of an honorary environmental student. The honorary member gets elected every semester and would get some kind of prize, for example free drinks at the TdBK.

Lukas Münger adds that the vote would take place at the GV. It would be someone who did something special in the last semester.

Paul Condrau asks if it could be any UFO member. Lukas Münger agrees.

Laurence Kamber explains further that the honorary member would get proposed by other environmental students.

Helena Golling asks if the prize would be a trophy of some kind, like a weird hat. Laurence Kamber agrees.

Paul Condrau asks who will be in charge of organizing it. Laurence Kamber replies that they don't know but they thought about the board.

Yitao Li asks if the GV needs to vote on it today or if it could also be voted on in the next GV. Lukas Münger responds that it would be okay if it gets voted on in the next GV so people have some time to think about it.

Yitao Li proposes that the GV should vote on tasking the board with coming up with a more detailed idea for the next GV.

Vote: Is everyone in favour of tasking the current board with the elaboration of the idea of an honorary member? The board accepts with 17 in favour, two abstentions and six votes against. *Motion passed.*

## 19 Statute Changes

Yitao Li presents the main changes of the statute changes (figure 5).

He also states that before voting on these statutes, we would have to vote on the requirements of a GV quorum. But people are free to ask questions about the proposed statutes before we talk about the quorum.

Linn Hille-Dahl asks if the one-time expense is included in the yearly 5'000 CHF expenses. Yitao Li explains that this is the case.

**18. Statute Changes**

Main changes:

- Total revision of the statutes (13 pages to 6)
- Maximum board size to 15
- Extraordinary expenses by the board (yearly 5'000, one time 2'000)
- Ability to add extraordinary members during the semester

Vote on quorum requirement of 16 ordinary UFO members

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Figure 5: main changes of the UFO statutes (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 36)

Yitao Li presents the current quorum requirement which is proposed to change to a new quorum requirement (figure 6). The new, proposed quorum requirement says that the GV only has the quorum if at least 16 ordinary members are present. Yitao Li presents pros and cons: The number 16 is chosen so the ordinary members can overvote the board which has at most 15 members. But it is hard to get 16 ordinary UFO members to the GV. Particularly during the Covid19 pandemic it was difficult to find ordinary members attending the GV according to the old board.

Helena Golling asks how many ordinary UFO members are present at the GV today. The counting shows that there are 21 ordinary members present.

Lukas Wirth says that he wants to keep the current quorum requirement because the agenda points need to be submitted beforehand anyways. Also, this GV is quite



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important because two agenda points are about budget and they got accepted even though there are not a lot of ordinary members present and they probably don't know much about budget and accepted it anyways.

Helena Golling states that before the Covid19 pandemic there were a lot of people joining the GV. Paul Condrau says that UFO didn't even have enough people joining the board in the last few years. Helena Golling answers that it should be easier to find people who are coming to the GV instead of finding people who will join the board.

Vote: Who is in favour of keeping the current quorum requirement? 19 people are in favour.

Vote: Who is in favour of accepting the new proposed quorum requirement? 8 People are in favour.

Vote: Who abstains? 7 people abstain.

YL: The absolute majority would be keeping the current quorum requirement.

Linn Hille-Dahl proposes to find a middle ground: The quorum is reached if more ordinary members are present than board members. She adds that UFO has 690 members and that it should be possible to find that many ordinary members to join the GV.

Daan Gammeter proposes to vote on changing the article or keeping it as it is right now. If the GV decides on getting it changed, a working group in the board gets created and they will present the changes at the next GV.

Vote: Who is in favour of keeping the current quorum requirement? 14 People agree.

Vote: Who is in favour of proposing something else at the next GV? 19 People agree.

Vote: Who abstains? 1 Person abstains.

Yitao Li says that a working group will be made, and a new proposal will be presented at the next GV.

## 18. Statute Changes

Vote on quorum requirement of 16 ordinary UFO members

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Art. 12 Beschlüsse   | Current  |
| 1Jede ordentlich einberufene Generalversammlung ist beschlussfähig.  |          |
| Art. 22 Beschlussfähigkeit   | Proposal |
| 1 Jede ordnungsgemäss einberufene Generalversammlung ist beschlussfähig, wenn mindestens 16 ordentliche UFO-Mitglieder anwesend sind, welche nicht im Vorstand tätig sind. |          |





Figure 6: changes for article 12 (new: article 22) (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 37)

Vote: Is everyone in favour of accepting the statute changes with the current quorum requirement? They are unanimously accepted.

## 20 TdBK regulation changes

Mario Wildhaber presents the TdBK regulation changes (figure 7).

## 19. TdBK regulation changes

Main changes:

- Increased maximum board size from 9 to 15
- Ability to vote in members during the semester
- Added helper benefits
- Single purchases over 1'000CHF must be told to the UFO Quaestur
- Possibility to sponsor UFO projects (if finances allow it)





Figure 7: TdBK regulation changes (Source: UFO GV FS 24 Slide 38)





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Vote: Is everyone in favour of accepting the TdBK regulation changes? They are unanimously accepted.



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## 21 Retirements of board members HS23

Yitao Li thanks the people leaving the UFO for all the work that they've done. He hands out gifts to those leaving.

## 22 Varia

Yitao Li says that the UFO-Party is now called UFOria and takes place in Mai. He also states that UFO is turning 20 years old and that UFO is always looking for new members joining the commissions or the board.

Yitao Li finalizes the GV by thanking everyone and closes the meeting.

| <b>Head of meeting</b> | <b>Minute taker</b> |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Yitao & Daan Gammeter  | Eva Rathgeb         |