

Bâle, 18th of June 2016

Due to privacy concerns, we have replaced all names of members who are not part of our board with the Text [Member].

Minutes of the General Members Assembly 2016

Present: Michèle Amacker, Nathalie Amstutz, Lilian Fankhauser, Dominique Grisard, Matthias Luterbach, Andrea Maihofer, Katrin Meyer, Anna Schillinger, Regina Wecker, Fleur Weibel, Béatrice Ziegler, [Members]

Entitled to vote: 18; the absolute majority: 10 votes

Excused: Bettina Dennerlein, Janine Dahinden, [Members]

Minutes: Anna Schillinger

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2. *Approval of the meeting agenda*
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4. *Progress report of the year 2015*
5. *Call for Papers Brigitte Schnegg Prize 2017*
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1. Welcome and Introduction

President Andrea Maihofer welcomes the attending members to the General Members' Assembly of the Swiss Association for Gender Studies SGGF.

2. Approval of the meeting agenda

The meeting agenda at hand is approved.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Members Assembly 2015

The Minutes of the last General Members Assembly 2015 are approved.

4. Progress Report of the year 2015

Andrea Maihofer presents the progress report of 2015 (cp. the document "Tätigkeitsbericht 2015").

5. Call for Papers Brigitte Schnegg Prize 2017

In honor of Brigitte Schnegg and her achievements, the SGGF created the Brigitte Schnegg Prize for Gender Studies. Andrea Maihofer and Lilian Fankhauser present the Call for Papers and the regulations of the prize in German, French and English (cg. "Call for Papers Brigitte Schnegg Prize" and "Regulation Brigitte Schnegg Prize").

The French Translation of the Call for Papers and the regulation will be revised by Sabine Kradolfer. Regarding the content, the Call for Papers and the regulation are approved by the Members Assembly. The Call for Papers will be published subsequently.

The first Brigitte Schnegg Prize will be awarded at the General Members Assembly in 2017.

6. Report of the annual accounts 2015 from the cashier

Cashier Béatrice Ziegler presents the accounts for 2015 (cg. "Rechnung 2015"). In 2015, a profit of 6'797,40 CHF was recorded. Thus, the total assets amounts to 18'307,50 CHF (as of 31.12.2015). Please note that the costs for the Webhosting and for the Website Domains will be postponed to the accounts for 2016.

We express our gratitude to the Center for Gender Studies, for financing Matthias Luterbach's and Anna Schillinger's salaries of 2'971,70 CHF.

7. Report of the annual accounts 2015 from the controller

Cashier Béatrice Ziegler informs the members that the controller's report is not on hand in time because of a delay while settling the account of the University of Basel. Because of this delay the controller couldn't revise the account in time.

8. Vote on the annual accounts 2015

Béatrice Ziegler suggests that as soon as the controller's report is ready, we will send it to all the members via email. With this email the General Members Assembly will discharge the board of its responsibility. The Members Assembly approves this procedure.

9. Presentation and vote on budget 2017

Béatrice Ziegler presents the budget of 2017 (cg. "Budget 2017"). For the upcoming international conference 2017 in Cologne a financial contribution of 5'000,00 CHF will be budgeted, with a deficit guarantee of 5'000,00 CHF. The Centre for Gender Studies will not be able to guarantee Anna Schillinger's salary. The SGGF will thus budget this expense. All other items are budgeted as proposed.

The budget 2017 is unanimously approved by the Members Assembly.

10. Elections

Board Members:

Bettina Dennerlein, Lilian Fankhauser, Dominique Grisard, Matthias Luterbach, Andrea Maihofer, Regina Wecker, Béatrice Ziegler, Michèle Amacker, Nathalie Amstutz and Janine Dahinden apply for a re-election.

Léa Berger, student representative on the board, resigned. Sebastian Funke, student of sociology and gender studies at the University of Bern, member of the student council Gender Studies and assistant at the Centre for Gender Studies in Bern, volunteered to run as student representative.

All board members are approved unanimously.

Chair:

Andrea Maihofer agreed to serve again as president. Bettina Dennerlein agreed to serve again as co-president. Their candidacy is approved unanimously.

Cashier:

Béatrice Ziegler agrees to serve again as cashier. Her candidacy is approved unanimously.

Controller:

Fabienne Amlinger and Kristina Schulz agree to serve again as controllers. Their candidacy is approved unanimously.

11. Recruitment of new members

The association's members and the board members are asked to continue publicizing the SGGF, particularly to increase student involvement. A one-to-one word of mouth kind of approach has proven to be effective. There are flyers for distribution and display that can be obtained from Anna Schillinger (genregeschlecht@unibas.ch). The SGGF depends on the engagement of its members. The number of members has now grown to 219.

12. Prospective Activities 2016/2017

Andrea Maihofer presents the prospective activities for 2016 and 2017:

- The SGGF is confirmed as an affiliated member of the SAGW. In the next board members meeting we will re-think our web presentation and how we could use the membership to promote the cause.
- Cooperation with the working groups that formed at the research workshop in 2016. An invitation for cooperation was sent out by us. We will invite the existing working groups to participate at the international conference “Present Challenges of Gender Studies” 2017 in Cologne.
- Co-organization of the international conference “Present Challenges of Gender Studies” 2017 at the University of Cologne. At this first joint conference of the associations of gender studies and gender research of Germany, Austria and Switzerland we will be discussing contemporary challenges of gender studies. The Call for Papers has been published (cg. “Call for Papers Gender research 2017”). In October the submissions will be discussed. When the final program is ready, we will send it to all.

13. Miscellaneous

The date for the next General Members Assembly will be discussed at the next board meeting. We intend to organize the next meeting in the French-speaking part of Switzerland. We will see if we can tack the meeting on to a conference or lecture already planned for 2017.

Andrea Maihofer closes the General Member Assembly and thanks all attendants.