

# Meeting Notes

## General assembly meeting ISAGA 2021/09/06

### Welcome and Opening

Heide opened the meeting as chair of the ISAGA Executive Board.

The agenda is shared and approved. This meeting is mostly for discussion. The decision-making meeting will take place on Thursday.

Sebas received words of thanks for his years of leading the ISAGA EB. He will stay on as Secretary on the board in a supporting role.

### Annual Report and Policy Plan

Heide explained the annual report. There is a significant amount of activities and much improved communication. The EB decided to waive the membership fee for 2020, but get back to invoicing it because of the conference 2021 in 2021 again.

The 2022 conference will be hosted by Northeastern University in Boston by Dr. Casper Hartevelde. There are plans for France (La Rochelle) and New Zealand (Christchurch) thereafter.

Major thanks to the SVVV ISAGA 2021 organisers, who have been very flexible in moving the conference to 2021 and online. Important is to keep the focus on accessibility and explore partial hybrid modes too.

The summer school was held distributed for the first time. This provided ideas for the future, and will be evaluated.

The Special Interest Groups are kicking off. This we see as an important step forward for the community. The three sigs are games and sustainability, games and facilitation and game science.

The work on website and newsletter requires a lot of time from the EB members. Any help and input from the members is welcome.

A number of priorities for next years' activities were presented and open for discussion.

### Discussion:

- Words of thanks to the EB and wider team including SVVV for holding up under difficult times
- Words of thanks for the remembrance of Dr. Songshri.
- Great with the 2022 conference in Boston. Important to have the local organizers also as ISAGA members.
- Are there plans to have the next conference also hybrid or virtual. Answer: hybrid is the goal.
- The 2023 conference will be in La Rochelle, France as was confirmed during the meeting.

- Roy Hamada will share learning from this years' summer school in the Thursday meeting

### **Financial Report**

Not much financial activity due to fees waived in 2020 and no conference. Nettie worked on cleaning up the membership list. Many members didn't even bother to respond to her emails and were scrapped from the list after 3 years of no payment.

Question: Why did people not respond? Answer: no idea, unfortunately. Sometimes people moved fields.

Question: are the bank fees normal? Answer: yes, for business accounts, which we need to have.

### **Any other business**

Elections 2021: Please send you candidacy to Sebas: [smeijer@kth.se](mailto:smeijer@kth.se) and he will organize the elections.

Q: Could we reach out to all the attendants in the conference to recruit new members?

Q: Have you thought about new levels of membership fees due to country differences, i.e. OECD standards? Answer: we could look into this. The conferences always have it.

Q: What do we do with the AC? The committee that would look into that didn't work out. Sebas will coordinate the effort to come up with a new version and will consult with the experienced members on formalities. There is no urgent problem.

Heide closes the meeting. The notes will be put on the website.

### **Closure**

**Notes: Sebastiaan Meijer**