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Minutes annual members-meeting

Date 2013-09-28

Meeting nr. 3

Meeting date 2013-09-25

Place Břejlov, Czech Republic

Present Hans Hagen, Alan Braslau, Tomáš Hala, Ján Kula, Luigi Scarso, Ulrik Vieth, Frans Goddijn, Mari Voipio, Jean Michel Hufflen, Wolfgang Schuster, Harald König, Willi Egger, Taco Hoekwater, Mojca Miklavc (through Skype)

Guest

1. Opening

Opening of the meeting: 19:45

2. List of presence

A list of presence is established after opening the meeting.

3. Agenda

The agenda is presented to the present members and is accepted without changes.

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2. List of presence
3. Agenda
4. Minutes of members meeting 2012
5. Announcements
6. Financial year 2012
7. Budget 2013
8. Board-elections
9. Context Magazine
10. Context meeting 2014
11. Questions and comments by members
12. Closing

4. Minutes of members meeting 2012

The secretary presents through the beamer last years minutes of the membersmeeting.

- The name of the cartoonist Duane Bibby is wrongly spelled.



- From the actions contained in the minutes the issue of mirroring the contextgarden is not effectuated yet.

Action	Description
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Mojca, Taco	A "push" rsync will be done to the machine of Taco.
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5. Announcements

There are no announcements so far.

6. Financial year 2012

Only preliminary data are available at the meeting. The conclusion is, that we have build up a little money which enables us to be able to produce the magazine and cover mailing costs as well as fixed costs. The income side is slightly more than the expenses side and therefore the balance is positive. A definitive report will be made in due time.

Action	Description
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Mojca	Prepare a final financial report over 2012
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Although there was no final report, the assembly agreed on the fact that the information obtained is enough to accept the accounting unanimously.

7. Budget 2013

There is not much of discussion on the expenses we are going to face during this year. The main costs will be the production of the magazine and the mailing costs. We have to take into account that the Dutch Post company raised the prices in october and will raise them again beginning 2014, resulting in even higher shipment costs.

There is a reservation for the SWIGlib-project lead by Luigi Scarso. However this money will only be paid in 2014.

As mentioned above the financial situation is such, that the Context Group will be able to perform the envisaged actions.

The assembly agrees on the proposed approach unanimously.

8. Elections

According to the bylaws we have elections for board members who are sitting for 3 years. Reelection is possible twice.

Since our group exists for 3 years now we have the occasion to reelect several board members:

- Treasurer: Mojca Miklavc
- Secretary: Willi Egger



- Member: John Haltiwanger
- Member: Jano Kula
- Member: Thomas Schmitz

All members are up for reelection and confirmed in their function by acclamation. Hence there is no change in the board and no new list has to be provided to the French authorities.

For completeness the remaining board members:

Taco Hoekwater, president, is sitting for 2 years.

Member Peter Münster is sitting for 2 years.

John Haltiwanger is appointed as the chief-editor of the magazine. However he is overly busy and can not spend the required time. – Alan Braslau is considering to take over the task.

9. Context magazine

The proceedings of the last EuroTeX and ConTeXt 6th, 2012 meeting are still in the pipeline. Reasons for this delay are the workload of Taco (production) and unfinished articles. Due to the fact that the author in question is abroad at the moment the production of the proceedings still can take until december. – On the other hand, all articles concerning ConTeXt are practically finished. This offers the possibility to decouple the EuroTeX proceedings from Context magazine. The assembly decides to produce the magazine without the other articles in the proceedings and accepts the somewhat higher costs involved.

The planning is that the third magazine containing the Context meeting articles from EuroTeX 2012 will be produced in october 2013.

The articles for the Context meeting 2013 are to be produced in december 2013.

Action	Description
Tomáš, Willi	Sort out the cheapest way of getting the issues for the Context meeting 2013 to the members: either from CZ or NL (production takes place in NL)

10. Context meeting 2014

First idea was to organize the meeting again in Slovenia. However it is likely that Mojca will be abroad next year, so organizing such a meeting is not possible. Taco suggests to go back to Bassenge (BE) again. The assembly agrees on this. The request is to organize the meeting in such a way, that most of the members can join, but it will most probably be again in the month of september. For planning reasons for participants the meeting should be announced as early as possible.

Mojca will look into the possibilities organizing the 2015 meeting again in Slovenia.

For a next meeting Jano suggests to see whether one could reach a destination farther away by booking "last minute" flights. Jano is going to investigate the possibilities.



11. Questions and comments by members

- Hans In order to improve the financial situation the board should consider a campaign for new members but also for raising funds e.g. from companies.
- Harald Where there invoices for 2013? - He has not received it. Mojca checks this.
- Tomáš We have to discuss the shipping costs for the proceedings of the Context meeting 2013. (see also point 9 of this report)
- Jano Seeing that less people did show up at this meeting we must look how we can attract possible attendants. This statement is in direct connection to the point of Hans. Possible approaches are to install a special discount for first time attendants for the next meeting or one could approach obvious candidates as e.g. from the ConTēXt-mailing-list personally .
- Jano This year's meeting is not attended by the number of participants expected. Due to the fact that there were also late cancellations a deficit is not excluded.
- Frans Frans suggests to ask participants to pay the deficit. Taco makes the point that if there is a deficit it should definitely not be a burden on the attendees, and that the Context Group should step in instead. Jano foresees a negative balance of 400 to 500 Euros. The assembly agrees that covering the possible deficit is the duty of the group. The group will cover the remaining deficit. But the organizer will ask those registered attendees who cancelled on short notice for their contribution according to the registration rules.
- Mojca The wish to move the membership year from January to October i.e. to the academic year has been expressed before. **The assembly agrees to switch to the academic year i.e. the membership year starts on 1st of October and ends on 30st of September.**

12. Closing

The meeting is closed at 22:05

Willi Egger
Secretary Context Group