Protocol General Assembly 2017

TYP03 Association

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1 Opening of the General Assembly (GA)

1.1 Welcome

Olivier Dobberkau, the chairman of the TYPO3 Association, welcomed the attendees at the General Assembly 2016 in Essen, Germany. The assembly started at 13:15.

27 members attended the GA in person. With voting delegations, the GA had 46 valid votes.

1.2 Attending Board, EAB and BCC members

All members of the Board, EAB and BCC were present, except:
- Peter Pröll (EAB)
- Chris Zeppernick (EAB)
- Jochen Weiland (BCC)
- Marco Klawonn (BCC)

1.3 Election of the person in charge for counting the votes

The General Assembly elected Jörg Kienast as person in charge for counting the votes.

2 Acceptance of the GA protocol 2016

Stefan Busemann asked the attending members, if they accept the protocol of the GA 2016.

Result: 0 against, 46 accept, 0 abstain.

3 Annual report by Chairman

Olivier Dobberkau provided a short look back at 2016.

Trademarks

We formalized the process of trademark controlling and handling. We successfully contacted many users who either used our trademark within a domain, registered a top level domain or used our trademark in another way. Also, we granted many organizations the use of the TYPO3 trademark.

New membership on the academic committee

This year we introduced and successfully launched a new Association membership: the Academic membership.

Events we attended (MeetTYPO3 Hamburg, TYPO3Gem GA, AMD’s, TYPO3camp Bologna, T3EE)

Board members

At the QSA 3-2016 were able find a new 2nd Assessor for our press related work: Mathias Bolt Lesniak. He was elected by the EAB.

Reworked imprint

We reworked the legal imprint on TYPO3.org. Now it is much clearer, that users have to use their real name and that public comments won’t be deleted by the Association.

Board Work

In 2016 we had 3 QSA’s (real life meetings – Quarterly Summits of the Association), two of those combined with official events (T3DD and T3CON). Also we had many bi-weekly hangouts and worked in different committees (Academic committee, communication committee, education committee)
Further actions:

- we invited platinum members and sponsors of the T3CON to a dinner event to thank them
- we deepened our strategic partnership with Microsoft
- we've got introduced to Platform.sh through our partnership with Microsoft
- followed and assisted the founding of TYPO3 GmbH legally and financially
- managing the donation queue: ca. 8.000 euro of donations coming through that channel
- reaching out to members that had open invoices clearing their status
- supported other open source initiatives: Joomla
- helped SkillDisplay filed for EU funding
- active participation in OSI, OASIS, ECO, CMS Garden
- assisted in promoting crowdfunding initiatives like the new frontend editing for TYPO3 CMS

4 Annual report by Expert Advisory Board (EAB)

The EAB was functional and met on a bi-weekly basis and in 3 QSA (joint Board/EAB) meetings over the last year.

- We helped the budget owners to reach their financial goals in 2016.
- We prepared the 2017 budget process, reviewed the applications and decided on the final budget for 2017 in November 2016. The budget approvals were sent out beginning of January 2017.
- We increased collaboration with the board by joint workgroups and more joint meetings. For example, 4 EAB members joined the Communication group, which is a joint workgroup of the EAB and Board that was formed after the 2nd QSA in Nuremberg beginning of September 2016 and aims to increase awareness of T3A activities, introduce regular communication (newsletter, reports, surveys and their results) to the members and to accompany the typo3.org relaunch project.
- We elected the board at the last GA. We also elected Mathias Bolt Lesniak as the first assessor of the TYPO3 Association Board at the 3rd QSA in Düsseldorf on 21st November 2016.

Chris Zepernick is leaving the EAB and we had two members, Boris Hinzer and Peter Pröll, go for re-election for a new term.

5 Annual report by Business Control Committee (BCC)

Report from the BCC for the general assembly of the TYPO3 Association regarding the bookkeeping for 2016. The BCC has reviewed the bookkeeping from 2016 on an accounting basis for each month. The basis for this was accounting balance sheets for each account and the full access to the digital archive of all invoices. Confusing bookings and namings were clarified by the assistant of the cashier. The communication with the TYPO3 Board is on a stable and good workflow. The final bookkeeping is in good order, all problems which were found during the reviews have been solved by the TYPO3 Association. Overall in 2016 the spending has been in line with the granted budgets. The income from the TYPO3 Conference was far less than expected. Together with the income from the TYPO3 Award, the Conference, and the costs for the Event Manager a total loss for these three budgets of 91.351,19 € is recorded. A loss of 9.450,-- € was expected.

In previous years the TYPO3 Events provided an income to the total budget, in 2016 we had a loss of more than 100.000 Euros in total. The tasks of the education committee were not brought forward as expected, therefore the expenses were 76% (91.687,05 €) lower than granted. Although the income of this budget almost reached the plan. The loss in the event committee and the not used budget of the education committee almost balanced the overall budget of the TYPO3 Association. Both issues must not happen again in further years. The BCC was not able to review the bookkeeping of the TYPO3 GmbH. Since the TYPO3 GmbH is a 100% daughter of the TYPO3 Association we assume that the BCC must also review the complete bookkeeping of the GmbH. 2016 was the start-up year of the GmbH, not all processes have been streamlined, so a final bookkeeping is not finished in time for the general assembly and will be presented to the BCC later. The BCC will review the bookkeeping and will release a statement afterwards.

In 2017 the BCC wants to review the bookkeeping at least on a quarterly base, including not only the balance sheets but also including the business assessment (in German BWA). The final Balance must be ready the next general assembly.
6 Annual balance sheet and report by the cashier

Alain Veuve went through the annual report and balance sheet and explained the numbers. You can download the report from the GA 2017 page (https://typo3.org/association/how-it-works/general-assembly/2017/).

Main facts:
- The income stream was stable
- Events were more expensive than expected
- The education team did not use the majority of the budget

Alain Veuve reports that the balance sheet has been approved by the Board.

7 Disencumbering of members of the board, cashier, accountants and commissions

- The members of the board were discharged with 46 votes by the members.
- The cashier was discharged with 46 votes by the members.
- The accountant was discharged with 46 votes by the members.
- The commissions are discharged with 46 votes by the members.

8 Admission and suspension of members

None this year.

9 Budget for the running year

We provided a detailed report about the budget 2017 in a blog post on typo3.org on 15th December 2016.

We received applications for 1.1 Mio EUR (2016: 1.4 Mio EUR).
The expected income is 647k EUR.

The largest expense is a fix amount of 350.000 EUR for the TYPO3 CMS Core Team. This is a central TYPO3 CMS budget that is supposed to also help coordinate smaller development initiatives.

The budget does not include any position for the T3CON since the event won’t take place this year.

All decisions were taken in full consent and with the best expectations.

You can download the complete Budget from the GA Page (https://typo3.org/association/how-it-works/general-assembly/2017/).
10 Determination of admission fees and annual dues for all types of members

No changes this year.

11 Elections

11.1 Board (Vice Chairman, second Assessor and treasurer)

The Board is elected by the EAB. The EAB has 5 votes in addition.

Four members of the EAB are attending and Peter Pröll delegated his vote to Dominik Stankowski, so there are five votes.

The following positions on the board have been elected for a 2-year period:

Vice-President:
  Ric van Westreenen – 5 votes

Treasurer
  Alain Veuve – 5 votes

2nd Assessor:
  Peter Kraume – 5 votes.

11.2 EAB

Three of the six positions in the EAB are elected alternating each year.

The online voting started on Tue, 14 Mar 2017 until Tue, 28 Mar 2017 23:59:00. 439 valid votes were counted.

The General Assembly approves the online voting with 2 abstains.

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11.3 BCC

Two of the four positions in the BCC are elected alternating each year. The online voting started on Tue, 14 Mar 2017 until Tue, 28 Mar 2017. 326 valid votes were counted.

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12 Petitions

12.1 Petitions of the members
None this year.

12.2 Petitions from the Board
None this year

13 Program of activities
In 2014 the TYPO3 Association started a new format for its activities. “The diary of the TYPO3 Association”. These reports are available typo3.org (http://typo3.org/news/diary-of-the-typo3-association/) and additionally we have introduced our member newsletter.

14 Changes to the bylaws
None this year.

15 Appointment of Honorary Members
No appointments this year.

16 Complaints about administrative bodies, decisions on dismissing members of the board, or any ordinary member, or any application for membership
No complaints.

17 Various other topics, not assigned to another body
Boris Hinzer suggested to finally introduce the silk memberships (working title). The idea is, to bind the price of the membership to the burger index (https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big-Mac-Index). So for the introduction, the membership will cost 7,92 € / year.

Silk members won’t receive cost benefits on certifications, conferences & events, but will be able to vote. The idea is, to move the Association closer to our community.

37 Votes for it
9 Abstains
17.1 Goodbye

The next GA is planned to take place in April 2018.

The chairman of the TYPO3 Association thanks for the various inputs from the members and closes the GA 2017 at 14:55.

April 12th 2017
Stefan Busemann
Secretary of the TYPO3 Association

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