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# General Assembly - Ordinary session – Association Aïkido Harmonie Thursday, August 23rd 2018 La Halle des Sports, Vigan, France

Minutes and report drafted by Aurélie Bousquet, Association Rapporteur

#### 49 Attendees:

Le Derf S., Bousquet A., Fernandez M., Coulon C., Duthoy H., Hincelin A., Remise C., Houdayer M., Mouton A., Lecoq I., Bertlatrille J., Laurent M., Drouet J., Baudry R., Guillemin Jacques, Dick Kruithof, Pelle JC., Rettle G., Schwartz MP., Béaur S., Delhormes B., Besrest R., Peuch A., Marty J., Catel A., Kikuchi A., Seigner D., Pozzi A., Meunier A., Ducourant C., Bonzon R., Treheux I., Stoup L., Durupt M., Chollet G., Messager M., Liard J., Fouchard D., Poupard F., Malval A., Tabourot M., Dupuy G., Schroeder H., Louis D., Poiré C., Lacombe F., Charpentier D. Renier N., Millet B

### 43 Proxies

Were also attending the meeting:

Mr Malet Stephane & Mr Jean Pierre Lacroix, in their capacity as representatives of the "communauté de communes du pays Viganais".

The association has 122 active members; the quorum is reached.

The meeting started at 14:35.

The Chair, Stéphane Le Derf, made preliminary thanks to :

- Thomas Hyndrak for his volunteer support in translations,
- David Charpentier for his support in realising video samples,
- M. Reiné for his support in interpretation;
- Luc, Sylvain and Juliette for the distribution of T-shirts,
- and the Bureau members for their work throughout the year.

The activity reports of the ordinary and extraordinary general assemblies held in 24th August 2017 are put to the vote.

Vote: the activity reports are adopted unanimously.

## 2017 report

The Chair, Stéphane Le Derf, presents the moral report for 2017:

- The association's purpose remains as is;
- The number of active members is on the rise (123);
- Seminar participants are decreasing (213);
- "Livret A" (form of savings account) and checking accounts were opened; it required significant efforts;
- Statutes voted in 2017 were implemented.

The 2017 "moral report" is put to the vote of the Assembly for approval.

Vote: Unanimously adopted by attendees and members represented by proxy.

# Financial report 2017

André Hincelin, in his capacity as treasurer, recalled that the documents evidencing the association's finances are available on the website. He then presented his financial report for the year 2017:

- Income with seminar inscriptions (€19,770), memberships (€ 1,936), and sales (€1,527).
- Spend related to Ikeda Sensei (€ 20;552.82)
- Balance for 2017: -€ 3,377.04
- Bank and 'Livret A" account:
  - Checkings account: €11,352.19
  - Paypal: €1,607.12
- Acquisition of a SumUp tool to enable credit card on site:
  - Fees 1,75%
  - Tool cost : €20
  - Streamlined utilisation and reduces need for cash or cashier's check

# Activity report for 2018

- S. Le Derf presents activities in 2018:
- Marginal increase of seminar participants; but decrease of registrations for full seminars
- Communications were efficient with the 2 videos published : over 8,000 interactions on social networks.

- Order was made of a crate to allow for weapons storage, particularly for seminar attendees coming over plane. The crate will also be used to store association gear. There will be a waiver of responsibility for the use of the crate, in case of damage or theft by all users. In between seminars the crate will be kept by the partners at the communauté des communes.
- Aikido Harmonie ordered 250 reusable cups to a french company, in an effort to stifle environmental footprint.

A. Hincelin alerts that there is a high occurrence of Aikido Harmonie emails being classified as spam in service providers. This makes communication difficult; members are advised to verify their parameters.

#### Questions:

- Irene Lecoq asked how many first registrations occurred this year.

A. Hincelin answered that there is a core group of 80-90 people who come occasionally or are first registrations.

- One member asked how easy the reimbursement procedure is.

A. Hincelin answered that the process is very fast with paypal payments.

The communate de commune representative asked financial support from the association to refurbish the showers (50% of the costs - €2,500). This question triggered a debate amongst members:

- Robin Bozon asked why not finance 100% of the costs

Marc Tabourot and Irene Lecoq are against; since the request is not in line with the association's purpose. It would be more suitable for them to rent the use of the room.

Remi Besrest recalled that the association has been benefitting from the facilities for over 30 years at no cost, and thinks the refurbishment is justified.

The representatives recalled the context of the request: Aikido Harmonie had made a proposal two years prior to the communauté des communes. They would do the refurbishing in any case and warmly continue to welcome the association.

Francois Lacombe mentioned his appreciation to come to the venue and thinks the participation is a good idea. Irene recognised that there are significant costs to the upkeep of the place and proposes a yearly participation instead of a one-time gift. This participation could take the shape of employment for someone to clean the dojo.

Marie Paul Schwartz proposes that the water closets be replaced with regular facilities.

The financing of the refurbishment is put to the vote.

Vote: Against 6, abstain 8, in favor 79. The motion is adopted with the majority.

# Proposal for the internal rules

The proposal text for the internal rules is read to the Assembly.

The seminar cost grid is put to the vote

Vote: unanimous approval of the seminar cost grid

Article 2.1 underscores that participants must have insurance to be able to participate. A debate is held on that theme.

Gilles Rettel affirms that FFAAA [one of the french aikido leagues] are insured but ignores whether that is also true for FFAB members [the other major french aikido league]. Marc Durupt and Julien Bert Latrille explain that the civil responsibility insurance covers the aikido practice during a seminar.

André Hincelin says that one registration was refused because the individual did not have a sports licence.

Article 2.1 of the internal rules is put to the vote

Vote: unanimous approval of the article.

Article 2.2: adding the word "however" at the start of the fourth sentence

Article 2.6: first sentence reformulated " Keikogi must be clean and nails must be trimmed"

Article 2.10: deletion of the mention "without justification" at the end of the article.

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The internal rules with modifications proposed during the reading is put to the vote

Against: 1
In favor: 92

Vote: Majority approval of the internal rules

The Assembly requests that during the registration be added a sentence mentioning "I accept the internal rules".

2009 2019 anniversary bureau proposals

The bureau proposes to the members of the association that the members themselves celebrate the anniversary with their own realisations. This idea involves heavy involvement of the members in the event organisation, as well as some financial commitment. Indeed, such an event requires renting adequate equipment, vehicle, and a venue. In addition; the association will participate to the costs of the meal as was done for the 25 years anniversary. Arnaud Peuch is volunteer to help coordinate the event.

The proposal of a special evening for 10 years anniversary of Ikeda's teaching is put to the vote

Vote: Unanimous approval by the General Assembly.

### Proposal of new schedules for the seminar:

The bureau proposes that the seminar would start on the Saturday afternoon, reflecting the input from the general assembly. Indeed; Ikeda sensei had missed the plain and could not start classes in the morning. In addition; bureau members noticed that they are organising the seminar on a volunteer basis and that they have to use additional leave days beyond the seminar's length to ensure good conduct of the seminar.

Aurélie Bousquet noted that she left on a Thursday noon to be on time to pick up Ikeda Sensei at the Montpellier Airport and that should the day be moved a day earlier to ensure no delays impact the classes, she is not sure she would be able to use more days off for this purpose. She called upon the members to further volunteer and support the bureau, which only has 4 members.

Proposal to start the seminar later on the Saturday afternoon is put to the vote.

Vote: Against: 36

In favor: 29
Abstentions: 27

The motion is rejected at a majority.

#### Sales 2018:

This year, the usual craftspersons could not come to the regular seminar. The two people proposing wares were seen as unconvincing. The pictures they had sent the bureau did not reflect the wares that were exposed. The bureau calls upon the members of the association to communicate names of potential craftspersons for the future seminars.

## T-shirt:

Proposal to replace the usual T shirt with an organic and ethical trade cotton T shirt; which costs more money. Also a motion to propose long sleeves t shirts.

#### Proposal for 2020/2021

Proposal to invite Saotome Sensei for him to teach two or three classes in the week. Him coming would cost between €10,000 qnd €12.000.

# Misc questions

Julien Bert Latrille remarks that the ASU did not communicate on Aikido Harmonie's behalf; when the latter did as agreed. Stephane Le Derf approves the remark and says he already escalated the issue to ASU.

## **Bureau Elections**

The four previous members are presenting again:

Aurélie Bousquet

Michaela Fernandez

Andre Hincelin

Stephane Le Derf

Remi Besrest and Thomas Hyndrak are also presented for this election.

The assembly approves a hands raised vote.

The six candidacies are put to the vote

Vote: Unanimous approval of all the presents and represented.

The Bureau members withdraw to discuss the distribution of functions prior to announce to the Assembly.

Stephane le derf: President:

Michaela Fernandez : Deputy President

Aurélie Bousquet : Rapporteur

Rémi Besrest : Deputy Rapporteur

André Hincelin: Treasurer

Thomas Hyndrak: Deputy Treasurer

The next seminar will be held from August 17 to August 25 2019.

The Ordinary General Assembly is concluded at 17:05.

Stéphane Le Derf Président

Aurélie Bousquet Secrétaire swsful