



# Minutes of the General Assembly 2017 of the KDE e.V.

Location: Universidad de Almería, Almería, Spain

Date: 2017-07-21

Start: 10:35 am

## Welcome

40 members present

75 votes (including proxy votes)

1 guest (Petra Gillert - assistant to the board)

Vote about admission of the guest: 0 abstentions, 0 dissenting votes

The correctness of the invitation and the agenda is confirmed.

## Election of a Chairman for the General Assembly

The president of the board, Lydia Pintscher, proposes to elect Frederik Gladhorn as chairman. The vote is accepted.

Vote: 1 abstention, 0 dissenting votes

## Report of the Board

### Report about Activities

Lydia Pintscher presents the activities of the board in the last year. See presentation.

#### Summary with statements:

- Three new members of the board need to be voted. 4 candidates (Aleix Pol Gonzales, Helio Chissini de Castro, Boudhayan Gupta, Lydia Pintscher) have announced to run for the open positions by email prior to the assembly.
- Eike Hein announces to run for the board as well. In total there are 5 candidates.
- The e.V. has admitted 16 new active members in the last year.
- Two freelancers were hired to improve the marketing activities of the KDE community.
- The e.V. organized several sprints and conferences resp. financially supported the attendance of community members.

- There is further movement in the "Evolving KDE" project. Mission and strategy are continuing to be worked on.
- The advisory board works well.
- Bookkeeping was improved, but QtCon caused additional work.
- Akademy 2017 has been organized successfully.
- The infrastructure for gathering donations was improved and a new fundraising working group was formed. The board attempted to involve the working group and the membership better in the necessary work.
- A better KDE website went live.
- Further improvements concerning "Evolving KDE", the advisory board, fundraising and marketing are planned for 2018.
- The board reminds the membership that they can contact the board with wishes, ideas and problems and check Phabricator for tasks.

## Report of the Treasurer

Marta Rybczynska could not attend the assembly, but she prepared a video presentation. See written report and presentation.

### **Summary with statements:**

- Expenses and income were exceptionally high in 2016 because of the size of QtCon which was co-organized by the KDE e.V. and all money went through the e.V.'s accounts.
- The budget for 2017 is expected to be back in normal dimensions.

## Report of the Auditors of Accounting

See written report.

Everything is in order. The auditors made a few minor suggestions for improvement. They request the General Assembly to grant discharge to all members of the board for the fiscal year 2016.

## Grant of Discharge of the Board

Vote: 5 abstentions. 0 dissenting votes. (1 person was absent during the vote)

## **Report of Representatives, Working Groups and Task Forces of the KDE e.V.**

### Report of the Representatives to the KDE Free Qt Foundation

See written report.

One member recommends to improve the public visibility of the Free Qt Foundation because companies often don't know that the licensing of Qt is regulated by the Foundation.

## Report of the System Administration Working Group

See presentation.

## Report of the Community Working Group

See presentation.

## Report of the Financial Working Group

See presentation.

## Report of the Advisory Board Working Group

See presentation.

Several comments about possible video conferencing software for the advisory board were made.

## Report of the Fundraising Working Group

See presentation.

## Report of the KDE League Task Force

The task force did not send in a written report. One member notes that this is the second year in a row without written report by the task force.

## Report of the Web Task Force

No written report was sent in.

Lydia Pintscher reports: A new, more modern and attractive look of the website was published. Apart from that, it's extremely difficult to get insights into the work of the task force. The board tries to improve the situation.

## Report of the Marketing Contractors

See presentation.

*2 additional members are present.*

*In total:*

*42 members present*

*77 votes (incl. proxy votes)*

## **Election of Board (3 Open Positions)**

Candidates: Helio Chissini de Castro, Boudhayan Gupta, Lydia Pintscher, Aleix Pol, Eike Hein

A secret vote is conducted.

*Break 1:30 pm – 2:45 pm*

The votes are counted and the result is proclaimed.

Distribution of votes:

Aleix Pol	66
Lydia Pintscher	62
Eike Hein	49
Boudhayan Gupta	30
Helio Chissini de Castro	18

Aleix accepts his election into the board.

Lydia accepts her election into the board.

Eike accepts his election into the board.

## **Election of Auditors of Accounting**

Andreas Cord-Landwehr and Ingo Klöcker are proposed for re-election as auditors of accounting.

Vote: 6 abstentions, 0 dissenting votes, 2 absent

Both accept their election.

## **Election of Representatives of the KDE Free Qt Foundation**

Olaf Schmidt-Wischhöfer and Martin Konold are proposed for re-election as representatives.

Vote: 3 abstentions, 0 dissenting votes, 2 absent

Both have accepted their election beforehand.

# Miscellaneous

## Akademy 2018

The call for hosting the next conference was published early and three good proposals were received.

The proposals were available for discussion on the mailing list. Currently, Vienna is regarded as the best candidate.

## Thanks to the Board

The membership thanks the board for their excellent work and invites the current and immediately previous boards, the chairman, and the candidates for the board to a dinner with expenses paid by the e.V.

End: 2:59 pm

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Chairman: Frederik Gladhorn