**BLAS – Annual General Meeting**

**Friday, 28 May 2021**

**Present:**24 members (appendix A)

**Proxies:** 1 member

* **Introduction (Patricia Vermast)**

Welcome and Agenda.

* **Minutes AGM 2020 (Els Wille)**

The minutes of the 36th Annual General Meeting held on Friday, 29 May 2020 were approved by all present members.

* **Secretary’s Report (Els Wille)**
	+ Membership Status

The total number of memberships at the end of this activity year amounts to 65 *(82 last year)*: 27 families, 25 couples, 13 singles.

This adds up to an aggregate of 168 members *(compared to 220 last year)*: 117 adults and 51 children.

During the 2020-2021 activity year, the Association organised the following activities:

* + Yearly Activities:

**FUN**

* Family Photo Search *(groups of 5)*
* Virtual Covid Quiz *(hosts + groups of 4/5)*
* Guess who is coming to dinner *(hosts + groups of 4/5)*
* Mystery New Year’s Drink *(groups of 8)*
* Mystery Get Together @ Wine Connection *(groups of 8)*

**CULTURE**

* Mahjong Singapore version – Intro & Intermediate sessions *(groups of 5/8)*
* Discover Singapore – Jewish Heritage Tour (#3) *(groups of 8)*
* Discover Singapore – Peranakan Tour (#2) *(groups of 5/8 – 3rd tour cancelled because of stricter safe management measures)*
* Cooking Workshop Chinese Dim Sum *(groups of 8)*
* Discover Singapore – Holland Village Tour (#2) *(groups of 5) – NOTE POST MEETING – to be cancelled on request of the guide*

**FAMILY**

* Virtual Saint Nicholas Party
* Easter Egg Hunt @ Botanic Gardens *(in family groups)*

* + Weekly/Monthly Activities
* Coffee Mornings *(groups of 8)*
* Cooking Club *(groups of 5/8)*
* Dutch Book Club *(virtual or groups of 5/8)*
* French Book Club *(virtual or groups of 5/8)*
* Mahjong Group *(groups of 5)*
* Shiok Lah Lunches *(groups of 5/8)*
* Walking Club *(groups of 5/8)*
	+ BLAS Committee Achievements
* Technical:
	+ - New BLAS website integrated with Glue Up
		- Resolution of email issue in Glue Up platform
* Communication:
	+ - Monthly newsletters and clean-up BLAS contact list
		- BLAS promotion on Facebook and new website
		- Organisation of AGM
		- Monthly committee meetings
	+ Organisation of events in observance of applicable safe management measures

* **Treasurer’s Financial Report (Laure-Anne Krug)**

Fiscal year 2020 (calendar year) vs. Activity year (1 May 2020 – 30April 2021)

Annual internal audit was conducted by Patrick Wouters & Hendrik Bessem.

* + Financial strategy and objectives

* The income from membership fees & events should cover the cost of running the BLAS organisation. We aim to be break-even for the activity year.
* Cushion is held to finance upfront larger costs (e.g., website redesign) and to cope with unexpected circumstances (e.g., Covid-19).
* We give back to our members.
	+ Net worth over last four years



* + Accounts overview

* Balances: 1 May 2020 - 30 April 2020 (activity year)
* BLAS Total SGD 31.158,37



* + Income & Expenses

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| 01/05/20 to 30/04/21 |
|   | **IN** | **OUT** |  **NETT**  |
| Membership | 6.246,93 | 315,00 | 5.931,93 |
| Admin | 1,00 | 83,80 | -82,80 |
| Website | 0,00 | 3.980,00 | -3.980,00 |
| Funteam | 0,00 | 1.148,54 | -1.148,54 |
| Charity | 0,00 | 500,00 | -500,00 |
| Advertising & Communication | 0,00 | 751,90 | -751,90 |
| G2G | 115,46 | 2.202,20 | -2.086,74 |
| Quiz | 226,27 | 156,00 | 70,27 |
| Culture | 1.055,55 | 1.080,00 | -24,45 |
| Sports | 0,00 | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| Kids Club | 55,26 | 322,80 | -267,54 |
| Cooking | 626,09 | 665,00 | -38,91 |
| Welcome | 0,00 | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| Petty cash | 0,00 | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| BLAS | 8.326,56 | 11.205,24 | -2.878,68 |

* **Election Night (Patricia Vermast)**

The following members have been proposed and seconded. They have indicated their willingness to stand for election and were elected:

* + Office Bearers
* **President: Wesley Boers**
	+ - Proposer: Patricia Vermast
		- Seconder: Els Wille
* **Vice-President: Caroline Verlinden**
	+ - Proposer: Els Wille
		- Seconder: Laure-Anne Krug
* **Secretary: Els Wille**
	+ - Proposer: Ingeborg Neels
		- Seconder: Gino Delaere
* **Treasurer: Laure-Anne Krug**
	+ - Proposer: Katleen Missiaen
		- Seconder: Anne De Weert
	+ Other Committee Members
* **Katleen Missiaen**
	+ - Proposer: Tom Bollaert
		- Seconder: Ingeborg Neels

* **Ingeborg Neels**
	+ - Proposer: Els Wille
		- Seconder: Katleen Missiaen
* **Liesbeth Van Baelen**
	+ - Proposer: Ingeborg Neels
		- Seconder: Patricia Vermast
* **Moniek Kasbergen**
	+ - Proposer:  Caroline Verlinden
		- Seconder: Jacques Breyer

* **Few words by outgoing Ad Iterim President (Patricia Vermast)**

* **Few words by incoming President (Wesley Boers)**

* **Closing (Patricia Vermast)**

The meeting closed at 20.40.

For Approval,

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| **Wesley Boers**  President  | **Caroline Verlinden**Vice-President  |
| **Els Wille**   Secretary | **Laure-Anne Krug**   Treasurer |

**Appendix A – Participating Members**

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| **#** | **Last Name** | **First Name** | **Attendance List** |
| 1 | Adriaens | Bart | present |
| 2 | Alvarez | Isabelle | present |
| 3 | Boers | Wesley | present |
| 4 | Bollaert | Tom | present |
| 5 | Breyer | Jacques | present |
| 6 | De Haeck | Ria | present |
| 7 | De Weert | Anne | present |
| 8 | Delaere | Gino | present |
| 9 | Eijckmans | Bart | present |
| 10 | Goris | Wim | present |
| 11 | Kasbergen | Moniek | present |
| 12 | Kempenaer | Ivo | present |
| 13 | Krug | Laure-Anne | present |
| 14 | Mesters | Sander | proxy to C. Verlinden |
| 15 | Missiaen | Katleen | present |
| 16 | Neels | Ingeborg | present |
| 17 | Reynders | Karl | present |
| 18 | Van Baelen | Liesbeth | present |
| 19 | Van den Heede  | Filip | present |
| 20 | Van Leynseele | Jacques | present |
| 21 | Van Steenbergen | Thomas | present |
| 22 | Verlinden | Caroline | present |
| 23 | Vermast | Patricia | present |
| 24 | Wille | Els | present |
| 25 | Wouters | Patrick | present |