

Minutes of the General Assembly of CG Society, part I

June 16, 2025

Physical location: Utrecht, BBG, time 15.00 CEST, also on Zoom, max 55 participants on Zoom

Chair: Frank Staals, minutes: Marc van Kreveld

Opening

Frank starts the meeting at 15.01. He welcomes the attendees and presents the agenda. He invites questions via the Zoom protocol. There are now 459 members, of which 292 are regular. He explains that 12 applications for membership needed review. In all cases there was follow-up via e-mail, after which 8 were accepted. The other 4 did not respond.

Status report

[IT Committee](#)

[CG Society Founding Board - Brief report on number of members, and activities \(EuroCG, website\)](#)

[CG Week Steering Committee](#)

Willem Sonke presents for the IT committee. The IT worked on [computational-geometry.org](#), to make it better maintainable, and better accessible for outsiders. Sponsored by conova for web hosting and e-mail. Google Workspace for storage. Then he presents the IT committee future plans.

Then Frank presents the matters of the CG Society. EuroCG 2025 was the first event, where registration and society membership was tested. Next we get CG Week 2025. Registrations for EuroCG went smoothly and CG Week is reporting positive experiences as well.

Then Marc van Kreveld presented the activities of the steering committee of CG Week.

Financial overview

[Status](#)

[Report from the Finance Committee](#)

[Discharge financial responsibilities board 2024 \[Belenios\]](#)

[Financial Plans next year \(Balance; income vs expenses\)](#)

Bettina presents the financial overview. Dave Mount asks whether the funding of the US Society is still in the USA or whether it was transferred. Bettina responds that for now the money remains in the USA as financial back-up for CG Week in the USA.

Xavier Gaoac presents the findings of the financial committee and states that everything is in order. He recommends to discharge the CG Society board from the financial responsibilities for 2024.

Frank explains that discharging the board from the financial responsibility for 2024 is a Belenios vote. Dirk Gerrits asks for a clarification, Bettina explains that “discharging the board from the financial responsibility for 2024” is a technical term, a vote “yes” indicates that the finances for 2024 are in order and the books for 2024 can be closed.

Plans next year

[New board members \[Belenios\]](#)

[Appoint a Code of Conduct Committee \[new CGS Board\]](#)

[Appoint Finance Committee \[Belenios\]](#)

Frank explains the plans for next year. The financial part concerns only payment of the costs. Then there will be elections of two new board members, as Frank and Bettina will stay on for two more years. This will be via a Belenios vote. There are four candidates.

Stefan Langermann asks why the vote is already now, because there will be many more members who can vote in 90 days, and it is for four years. Frank and Bettina answer that now there is a critical mass, and the next board will be for only two years in the case of Frank and Bettina, who will then be replaced in new elections.

Anne Driemel explains that one could also ask, why wait that long before the founding board stepped down partially. The reason is to wait until there are enough voting members.

Bettina explains where the statements of the four nominees can be found (in the invitation).

Stefan asks about the CCC and what qualifications the CCC members should have, since the board chooses them. Ivor vd Hoog gives both a formal and an informal answer. The board is supposed to make wise choices; since the regular members elect the board it is assumed that the board represents their views and that they trust the decisions of the board.

Stefan continues and asks whether it would not be better to have an external CCC. Benjamin Burton answers that there are people in our community who have at least partial knowledge from local committees. Anne also responds and explains that the CCC is more like a jury, so the CCC members do not need specialized knowledge. Furthermore, externals lack context knowledge. Bettina explains that the set-up is on purpose to not need judges and juries, because the CCC advises only on suspension of membership. Anne contributes by stating that one can appeal. Ivor claims that the board is the proper place for the selection of CCC members. Stefan says that the society has an ethical duty and may therefore want to get more expertise than only people we trust. Anne counters that one does not need legal expertise to make ethical decisions. Frank concludes that the new board will take Stefan's comments into consideration when selecting the CCC.

Stefan asks for a process for how the CCC is selected, to be scrutinized by the community. Bettina answers that this process has been proposed in the task force report and was voted in by the community. Anne states that the CCC can always call in legal advice. Anne believes that it has advantages that the CCC processes are not fully specified, because overspecification creates fragility in the system. Frank closes this discussion point.

As the last point, Frank says that a financial committee needs to be officially voted in. He proposes that Joe and Xavier become the official financial committee for 2025. This will also be a Belenios vote.

Questions / Any other business

There are no further questions or remarks. Frank explains that we should vote by July 1, and then there will be a second part of the general assembly to read out and confirm the votes.

Topics to vote on

1. Discharge financial responsibilities board 2024
2. Vote on new board members
3. Vote to appoint Joe Mitchell and Xavier Gaoac as Finance committee

Minutes of the General Assembly of CG Society, part II

July 3, 2025

Physical location: Eindhoven, Metaforum 7.74, Utrecht, time 15.00 CEST, also on Zoom, max 4 participants on Zoom

Chair: Frank Staals, minutes: Frank Staals

Opening

Frank opens the meeting at 15:02

Results of the Belenios votes

Frank reads out and confirms the votes.

1. [Discharge financial responsibilities board 2024](#)

63 in favor, 4 against, 16 blank votes

The board is discharged from the financial responsibility for 2024

2. [New board members](#)

The Schulze winners are:

1. Tie:
 - David Eppstein
 - Benjamin Burton
2. Siu-Wing Cheng
3. Eric Colin de Verdiere

81 valid (non-blank) ballots, 2 blank ballots

[David Eppstein](#) is present and accepts the board position;
[Benjamin Burton](#) accepts later via email.

3. Vote to appoint Joe Mitchell and Xavier Gaoac as Finance committee

78 in favor, 1 against, 4 blank votes

[Joe Mitchell](#) and [Xavier Gaoac](#) are appointed as Finance committee for 2025.

Questions / Any other business

There are no further questions or remarks.