Geschäftssitzung der SMG vom 16. Juni 2022
an der EPFL

Assemblée Générale de la SMS du 16 juin 2022
à l’EPFL

Ort/Lieu: EPFL (Lausanne)

Zeit/Heure: 15.45

Traktandenliste/Ordre du jour

1. Genehmigung der Traktandenliste/Acceptation de l’ordre du jour

   The agenda is accepted.

2. Genehmigung des Protokolls der Geschäftssitzung vom 18. Juni 2021
   Acceptation du procès-verbal de l’assemblée du 18 juin 2021

   The minutes of the last general assembly are accepted.

3. Mitteilungen (Präsident, Vizepräsident, Sekretär, Delegierte, Mitglieder)
   Communications (Président, Vice-Président, Secrétaire, Délégués, Membres)

   The president and all present members commemorate the deceased members:
   Assyr Abdulle (EPFL), Christian Blatter (ETHZ) and Thomas Kappeler (UZH).

   President, Alain Valette: The report presented by the president is attached to this document.

   Eva Bayer, Editor-in-Chief Commentarii Math. Helv.: By a request of an author from
   France, a discussion about the « officially » accepted languages takes place. As a result,
   the present members prefer to stay with the pragmatic way this is handled at the moment.
E. Bayer reports that there are approximately 250 submissions, 21 accepted and 800-900 pages per year.

Norbert Hungerbühler, Editor-in-Chief Elemente der Mathematik: The switch to double blind review has gone well and the experience with it has been excellent. Unfortunately, too few book reviews are received. The Short Notes section is very successful. The receipt of good articles also continues to be very pleasing. Once the final paper accepted for publication is submitted to the publisher, EMS Press now handles everything else (galley proofs and copyright agreement). Therefore, the support of the secretariat at ETH is no longer necessary.

Reports of Delegates: The president lists all delegates from which no news/reports were obtained.
Marc Troyanov, Delegate from ScNAT, reports on news from ScNAT, e.g. that he sees room to ask for a higher contribution and about the offer to have the SMS website migrated to the ScNAT site. He also reports on his project Arts & Math.

Members: there are no reports.

Secretary/Treasurer Christiane Tretter explains details of the Betriebsrechnung 2021, which is attached. In particular, she explains that the effects of the pandemic with restricted possibilities for travel and organization of conferences are still visible.

4. Genehmigung der Jahresrechnung 2021/Acceptation des comptes 2021

The Jahresrechnung 2021 is accepted.

5. Entlastung des Vorstands/Décharge du comité

The activities of the SMG steering committee are approved.

6. Wahl eines neuen Kuratoriumsmitglieds

Election d’un nouveau membre au conseil d’administration

Thomas Mettler is elected as new member of the Board of Trustees for FernUni/ UniDistance Brig.

7. Wahl von Delegierten/Election des délégués

Andrea Peter is elected as new delegate for DMK.

8. Aktivitäten 2022-2023 / Activités 2022-2023

There are some activities planned for autumn, e.g. the Fields Medals Day in Bern, but not so much yet for next year.
Applications for project funding from ScNAT Funding should be sent by the end of July.

9. Die Stiftung und die SMS: Gemeinsame Informationen von Peter Buser und Alain Valette
La Stiftung et la SMS: information conjointe par Peter Buser et Alain Valette

Peter Buser gives an overview of the Stiftung, founded in 1929, originally to support journals. The latter became profitable in 2005. In 2010 attempts to reshape the Stiftung were started, 2019 a decision to resolve the Stiftung was made, also in the light of increased bureaucratic difficulties and new expenses of around 3000 CHF. This decision triggered a lively discussion between the Stiftungsrat and representatives of SMG (A. Valette, J. Rosenthal, N. Hungerbühler, C. Tretter).

The president reads a text sent by Joachim Rosenthal who could not be present at the meeting (due to the funeral of his colleague Th. Kappeler).

Advantages and disadvantages are discussed, but no agreement about a possible future of the Stiftung could be reached in the short time of the meeting.

10. Varia/Divers

There are no Varia,