

SATE Annual General Meeting 24 November 2017

Venue: Hotel Zugertor / Restaurant Chez Ladure
Committee : Brigitte Brun (BB, president), Patricia Burger (PB), Marie-Claude Guerry (MCG), Hansueli Mueller (HUM), Dewi Williams (DW),
Excused: Matthias Rügger (MR), Roland Lüthi (RL)

1. Last year's minutes (BB)

Last year's minutes are accepted

2. Membership (BB)

Quite stable as the number of members has oscillated between 220-230. Current situation: 230 members. Two applied during the course, and five through the website.

3. Finances (HUM; HJS, RL)

Carried forward on 1st October 2016 were 38,202.10. The total operating funds carried forward on 25th September 2017 are 42,387.05. Balance: +4,184.95.

Total income: 17,430.30 (of which membership fees 6,010.- and Sate November course 10,340.-. Total expenditure 13,245.35 (of which, amongst others, Sate November Course expenditure 5,239.65 and 2851.15 committee expenses).

Members accept the accounts.

4. Committee (BB)

New Member: Matthias Rügger, former wbz course organiser (as wbz does not exist anymore) – unfortunately unable to attend the meeting.

Unanimously elected.

5. Report from Delegates' Meeting (AK, KK)

Members still pay 120.- each. The assets are 377,000.- in the accounts. There is a virtual loss, as there hasn't been as many new members as expected. There also was an extra remuneration for the move and the activation of the new address system. 32,000.- loss has been budgeted for the upcoming year.

The President has a lot of work, so they are going to restructure the management of the committee (central management). An app for smartphone has been planned.

The delegates accepted the loss.

Beat Zemp: IT will become a compulsory subject. Teachers will need a master's degree to teach it, except in HES/Fachhochschule. Budget cuts are worrying, specially when it concerns the health of teachers as some schools do not respect the law.

Next delegates' meeting: November 30th, 2018, Lycée Denis de Rougemont, Neuchâtel.

6. Reports on courses (DW)

Films (R. Begbie & S. Eggimann) and songs (F. A. Morrissey) in the classroom. Wettingen, 24-25 Novembre 2016:

37 people attended.

The first part of the course illustrated how to use films in the classroom (grammar, social themes, analysis)

The second part was dedicated to songs. Songs are often underused in the classroom. Participants looked at how they can use songs to teach lexical items, grammar, and political issues.

Calp plus (Rosemarie Allemann R Begbie & D. Williams), Bern, March 15-17 2017.

33 people attended.

Apart from the usual grammar and vocabulary activities, participants worked on *Burmese Days* by G. Orwell, a novel accessible to students.

Same course will be held in March next year.

Dublin theatre festival (R. Begbie, D. Williams), Dublin, 6-11 October 2018.

17 people attended.

The group saw 7-8 plays in four days, amongst which a staged performance of *Ulysses* and Ibsen's *The Doll's House*.

Alan McMonagle, Zug, November 23-24 2017.

29 people attended.

7. AOB

Renata Leimer presents the new Schweizerisches Zentrum für die Mittelschule (ZEM CES) - former wbz

The wbz was founded in 1969 when no teacher training courses existed. However, there are currently many teacher training courses. There shouldn't be a double structure of courses, on a canton and Swiss level, hence the new ZEM – CES. The aim is an exchange of knowledge. They will validate and assess the courses. There will be a platform where all the teacher training courses can be found.

Meeting over at 17.00

Lausanne, December 10th 2017

Marie-Claude Guerry