

Minutes of the business meeting at PassOut Krelingen, January 1, 2019

People present:

Adrian, Alberto, Andreas B., Andi N., Andy, Anett, Barbara, Becky, Bettina, Cameron, Christian H., Christian K., Co, Dale, Daniela, Danielle, Danny, Doreen, Ed, Elias, Eva, Evi, Freya, Giordano, Greg, Holger, Jakob, James, Jana, Jeff, Jenny, Joanne, John S., John Z., Jolien, Jon, Jojo (Johanna), Julia, Juli, Katie, Lars, Leo, Lisa, Liz, Lukas, Mandy, Maria, Marie, Mark, Markus, Marten, Menno, Nicholas L., Nicholas W., Nicki, Peter, Philip, Philipp, Rasmus, Rebekka, Rob, Ross, Rupert, Ruth, Sebastian, Simon, Staffan, Stefanie, Tanja, Toto, Tiddo, Tom, Tony, Uwe, Vincent, Wiebke, Will, Wolfgang

Good things about Krelingen

- * Huge round of applause for organizers
- * Food -- good and enough; more workshops because no cooking
- * Having beds
- * Warm showers
- * Huge gym, good lights, high enough ceiling
- * Good online registration and merch
- * Reservations for long-year travel
- * More American +Australian participants
- * Pay online option
- * Discounted payment possible

Suggestions for improvement

- * Pay everything upfront (as an option)?
- * Running out of space, not everybody can come
- * Co suggests a different system rather than first come first serve -- discussion on fairness and different alternatives
 - * about 20 people were on the waitlist total
 - * suggestion of priority registrations for participants who could not come last year by Rob
 - * concerns about anxiety caused by a possible lottery ticket
- * Toto complains about long emails at length
- * Christian K. prefers food when we make it ourselves

Finances

- * "like planned, maybe a little surplus"
- * last year (Königswiesen2) had a planned loss of EU 400 (financed from Ward)
- * Numbers for prior years in prior business meeting minutes (about 3k in savings)

Next year

- * Reservation in Koenigswiesen for 2019 and 2020 -- needs to be decided until end of March
- * Someren is available again; two more possible options in the Netherlands with slightly larger gym; < EUR 200 for the week; self-catered; all options limited by size of gym (100 beds)
- * Vote of preference fairly split
- * We will vote with concrete propositions over email

Other events

- * Greg reports about next North American PassOut in Kingston, ON -- Jun 15-22, still some questions about accommodations
- * Likely summer passing convention in Goettingen again -- first week of July or the week before EJC
- * Ed advertises show-less BJC and suggests to hijack it as a passing convention -- April 10-14 Nottingham

- by Christian K.

Added on the mailing list on January 4 by Co Stuifbergen:

Following a discussion that I had with Ed, I would like to add an argument that was not brought up in the meeting:

- some persons will prefer an earlier opening of the registration, so they can buy cheaper plane tickets
- some persons will prefer a late opening, because they can't know whether their work allows them to take holidays during the pass-out.