

Wikimedia Navigator User Group  
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## Preface

Timmyboger

The year 2021 marked the birth of The Wikimedia Navigator User Group. First, I would like to thank all of those who founded, co-founded, or support this user group with me together. Notable mentions to BureibuNeko, who supported me throughout the process of creation since June 2021 when this idea was still drafting, and Ericliu1912, who collaborated with me and BureibuNeko for translations on the WNUG's meta pages. As more and more Wikipedia editors choose to join our cause, I would like to express my true gratitude to these individuals, believing our future success and wishing to take part, proving the value of our cause.

During 2021, our group has laid down critical foundations for our user group that will serve as our guiding principles into the future for being a Wikimedia Affiliate. Unlike other affiliates in the Chinese Wikipedia community that focus on a specific location, our group aims to provide resources across different languages that ease the editing process such as finding documents and citations for any subjects, peer reviews, and any other challenges that may be faced even for editors who are experienced. Our goal is simple: to make Wikipedia a much more user-friendly community for newcomers that truly practices the idea of anyone can contribute to Wikipedia while maintaining quality, originality, and notability.

For 2022, we are looking forward to run multiple events, including a growth event that will be in collaboration with a current user group during summer and an outreach event that is planned near the end of the year.



Timmyboger

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## Sidishandsome

I still remember the day when I created my Wikipedia Account on zh.wiki. The day when I created the account was simply because I want to correct the content on one of the Wikipedia articles.

It doesn't start out as easy as I thought. I always thought that Wikipedia is simply a fix and publish, but this time, I noticed that I took a lot of time to familiarize myself with the guidelines and policies that the community has outlined for almost two decades ago—certainly, they have changed some of the guidelines and policies over the decades that passed, but I would just want to take a moment to think about the history of Wikipedia. I still remember that when I try to cite articles as my references, I would use the template that is provided in WP:CITE, which is kind of sad compare to now because most newcomers I have met either cite the article with the formatting absolutely unbearable, or they just simply violated the rules that are set forth by the community; some don't even know how to cite, causing me to have a hard time making sure that the topic of the article even exist.

I would much hope, through this user group, that we can bring communities around the world to understand that conflict is not something to fear, and combats are avoidable, especially in the Chinese Wikipedia community, which, over the years, I have noticed some very bad personal attacks that happened to people, and I know that these attacks would drove people, who are once like me, just simply want to fix some content on Wikipedia that is simply not right, away. I know a lot of newcomers who come to Wikipedia and, in the end, either edit without full understanding of the policies and guidelines and got banned by admins or due to the harsh environment in the community with consistent out-of-order discussions, just simply leave the community because they don't think the community is friendly and is willing to accept them.

Though it does seem like a dream, I would much hope that this user group, if it ever got a chance to prove itself, get a chance to help newcomers learn, edit, and grow under an amiable environment, which, as a user group, I have confidence that we can certainly make this happen.

And, like always, don't forget to be handsome, for being handsome is being awesome.



Sidishandsome

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## Summary

During the year 2021, The Wikimedia Navigator User Group has conducted two public online meetings via Skype and a founder meeting via discord. The first meeting begins the drafting process of the user group. The second meeting established the code of conduct, membership process; Events planning for 2022 are drafted during the second public meeting as well. The founder meeting via discord discussed the details of events that are planned for 2022 and beginning to discuss possible expenses and collaboration.

This year, no board elections are held given there are not many members in the user group yet; therefore, establishing a board is not necessary.

## Activities

### Annual Conference

#### The 1<sup>st</sup> WikiNavigator Conference

During the year 2021, we held the 1st WikiNavigator Conference to lay the foundations of the user group.

The original conference was scheduled on Nov. 13, 2021 at 4:00 pm UTC+8, 3:00 am UTC-5 (EST) until 10:00 pm UTC+8, 9:00 am UTC-5 (EST). However, one of the de facto council members Sidishandsome requested to postpone the conference time to Nov. 14, 2021 at 6:30 am UTC+8, 5:30 pm-1 UTC-5 (EST), which later was delayed for another 30 minutes. Interestingly, Sidishandsome did not show up throughout the entire conference. DinoWP joined the conference when it is 20 minutes before ending while SD hehua went away during the meeting for about an hour.

After multiple negotiations among the participants to change some content in the group policy, members in the conference unanimously agreed on the group policy and is therefore published. The council policy has also been established, but the election of council is still to be determined; currently, BureibuNeko, Timmyboger, Sidishandsome, 30000lightyears, SD hehua, and SickManWP are serving as de facto council members.

The conference also came to the conclusion that Timmyboger will be the Treasurer for the group, which will manage and record income, expenses, and other related topics for the user group.

### Coordinated Group Meetings During 2021

#### December

On Dec 11th, we held Coordinating Group Meetings 2021 on online, per this, we confirmed the times about held Meeting offline and User Group how to do.

The meeting was held online as scheduled without postponement. Timmyboger, BureibuNeko, SickmanWP attended this meeting.

## Membership

In 2021, under the review on the basis of the six founding members, we received a total of three applications; two of these applications are approved (that is, two members were officially added).

The following memberships have been granted by the user group this year, soon after the founding of the user group. Members are listed by the date joining the user group.

- DinoWP (joined on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, by unanimous consensus of the group)
- TurboHK (joined on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, by unanimous consensus of the group)

All of these users have been reviewed by all the members of this user group.

## Financial Summary

This year, individual donations have contributed as the most part of the user group's income. Based on these donations, we have founded a domain name, established a work platform based on Microsoft Office, and e-mail hosting. Given that we are planning to operate on a global scale, these tools are crucial for our group's development.

Most thankful to Timmyboger, who donated in total of 12 USD for our startup.

Income	
Individual Donation	
Timmyboger	+ 12.00 USD
Expenses	
Domain wnug.org (via domain.google)	- 12.00 USD
Net Income/Expenses	0.00 USD



## Afterword

### BureibuNeko

In this new year, many things have changed - the shape of COVID-19, the world order, and one thing we believe will not change - our confidence in contributions to Wikimedia.

2021, a number with special meaning to us - we were born; 2022, a brand new number, we looked from 2021, saw the stars of 2022, saw the cheers of the global community, and saw that Wikipedia broke through another Boundaries, saw the future of another group of people full of blood, saw a brand new land.

Although 2021 is full of difficulties and obstacles - the COVID-19 pandemic, the chaos of the Chinese Wikipedia Community, etc., we believe that in the new year, these problems will be properly resolved and humanity will overcome the epidemic.

And in 2022, our user group will do our best to create a novice-friendly environment, providing a "guide" for new editors to help them get on the path of independence as soon as possible, become an experienced editor, and do their best to ensure that they are in the Confidence in the Wikimedia project during this period, and thereby promote the development of the Chinese Wikipedia community, and promote the growth of the Chinese community's influence in the global.

May this new year of 2022 be a year in which everyone can achieve their dreams, and may ours be fulfilled - allowing each new editor to go down the experienced path in a friendly environment.



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