

Commons Photographers User Group Board Meeting

January 21, 2024, 10:00 UTC

Agenda items

1. Welcoming New Board
2. Selection of remaining members
3. 2023 Report
4. Election of Office Bearers Positions (?)
5. State of Preparations for the Wikimedia Summit
6. Wikimania
7. CPUG Meeting/Conference
8. Upcoming CPUG general call and invited presenter
9. Wiki Loves Folklore 2024



Board members present

1. Aleksey
2. Ailura
3. Suyash
4. Shreya
5. Irvin

#1 - Welcoming New Board

Each member conducts a self-introduction.

#2 - Selection of remaining members

2 candidates received the same number of votes. Irvin proposes to invite both to join the board which Suyash seconds after considering their experience. Others provide insights on pros of having more people on the board. The current board present unanimously decided to accept both as regular board members.

#3 - 2023 Report

Andrea and Suyash gave a brief review of the previous year's activities. We have submitted our report but there's a technical issue in the reporting tool. Otherwise, we are in compliance.

Members are enjoying the Most Memorable Photo activity, Suyash noted.

#4 - Election of Office Bearers Positions

Considering that the 2 board members are not currently present, and the members trust and are quite familiar with each other, the election will be done at a special meeting. The 2 new members will be oriented to get them on-board before the election.

#5 - State of Preparations for the Wikimedia Summit

Shreya updates the board on her preparation for attending the Wikimedia Summit. Shreya, Aleksey and Suyash will be presented in different capacities as representatives of CPUG, AFFCOM and AFFCOM, respectively. Commons Hub is proposed and hears the opinions of those who are interested.

#6 - Wikimania 2024

There is a plan coming from Commons members to hold a Photowalk in Estonia around Wikimania season. The Photowalk organized by CPUG in Singapore was considered the most memorable one by the attendees.

CPUG members' meet up is suggested during late hours so that more people can attend.

#7 - CPUG Meeting/Conference

Irvin proposes to organise one in the coming years. Discussions on having a thematic conference focused on photography and Commons, in general, can be done in virtual meetings organized by CPUG regularly. Historically, a conference was proposed before in Iceland but it did not receive funding from WMF.

#8 - Upcoming CPUG general call and invited presenter

Shreya will be listing available presenters. Andrea volunteered to present her experience in the last sports event she covered with other photographers from Austria and Germany.

#9 -Wiki Loves Folklore 2024

CPUG is well represented in the Wiki Loves Folklore International Team.