

1. plenum meeting of NewPipe e.V.

People present: Schabi, Christian, Chris_C, Fynn, Stypox, Poolitzer

agenda items:

1. acknowledge quorum
2. acknowledge topics
3. acknowledge last protocol
4. yearly report
5. monetary report
6. discharge of the board
7. election of the board + cash auditor
8. logo (amended)
9. pseudonym support + privacy policy change (amended)
10. offering Team NewPipe to move the website + website repository to the e.V. infrastructure (amended)
11. hiring someone to work on the NewPipe app (amended)
12. miscellaneous

Start of the meeting: 18:36 german time, 16.12.2023.

item 1: acknowledge quorum

Stypox is the protocol writer, Poolitzer the session leader. He sets the type of vote to be open. The people present acknowledge that a timely invite happened and that the meeting has quorum according to §7.6 of the statute.

item 2: acknowledge topics

The topics from the invite were amended with pseudonym support + privacy policy change, offering Team NewPipe to move the website + website repository to the e.V. infrastructure, and hiring someone to work on the NewPipe app. These topics were unanimously acknowledged.

item 3: acknowledge last protocol

The last protocol was unanimously acknowledged.

item 4: yearly report

The yearly report was presented by Stypox and can be found as an attachment to the protocol.

item 5: monetary report

Fynn presents the cash audit and recommends to discharge the board. The cash report and annual financial statements were presented by Schabi. It was pointed out that we set the payouts from stripe and paypal to monthly to avoid costs (which happen on every bank account movement), and Schabi reiterates to drop bitcoin as a source of donation because of scandals and amount of work dealing with it entails. The assembly unanimously accepts the preliminary financial statement up until November 2023. All of the mentioned documents can be found as an attachment to the protocol.

item 6: discharge of the board

The assembly unanimously discharges the board up until November 2023.

item 7: election of the board + cash auditor

Poolitzer suggests a board size of three, the assembly unanimously votes in favour of that size. Candidates are Poolitzer, Schabi and Stypox. Each candidate gets a separate vote. The assembly unanimously votes in favour of Stypox to be part of the board, the assembly unanimously votes in favour of Schabi to be part of the board and the assembly unanimously votes in favour of Poolitzer to be part of the board.

Poolitzer proposes Fynn to be the cash auditor, he accepts. The assembly unanimously votes in favour of Fynn being the cash auditor.

item 8: logo (amended)

Schabi relates the suggestion of a designer that the logo should be visually more complicated than NewPipe's, because the e.V. is more complicated and built on top of NewPipe. The last proposals did not get a clear winner. After an open discussion about the existing logo suggestions and how to proceed, it was agreed on to create a couple new ones based on the ones which got the most votes and do another poll on them.

item 9: pseudonym support + privacy policy change (amended)

Poolitzer presents that TheAssassin asked for proper guidelines on pseudonyms. The board agreed to support pseudonyms. This means that there has to be a proper member form to connect members to their unique pseudonyms if they want to be represented by one (which Poolitzer shows), so the board can verify that a member is a proper member behind their pseudonyms. This new volunteer data needed to be added to the privacy policy, which was a good opportunity to change "Occupation" to "Reason behind reduced fees" in the same section. For now the aforementioned PDF form will be used, in the future CiviCRM will be the management software.

item 10: offering Team NewPipe to move the website + website repository to the e.V. infrastructure (amended)

Poolitzer presents that TheAssassin asked to offer Team NewPipe to host their website and the repository for it. This would allow automatic deployment of it, which currently always involved him doing the change. Poolitzer points out that this is usually something the board decides, but since this is a first, he wanted to present it to the plenum. He also lays out that this puts a strain on the infrastructure of the e.V. (and thus onto the funds in the future), where Schabi explains that this is exactly what the association is for. The assembly unanimously votes to offer the resources of the e.V. to Team Newpipe.

item 11: hiring someone to work on the NewPipe app (amended)

Schabi presents the current issue with Team Newpipe: they need more people to work on it, especially the rewrite. Hiring someone would allow them to properly spend time contributing to the project. The current financial situation could already allow this, though getting more (regular) donations for this would make this better. He also explains that an actual employment would be probably too complicated, but giving a self-employed person money would work, though he makes clear that the e.V. should give a self-employed person all the help to have this properly set up for them. Schabi then explains that we need a tax consultant to do this properly. The board agrees to contact a tax consultant.

item 12: miscellaneous

Poolitzer explains the current website situation and that there will now be a temporary one set up, in order to allow members to sign up and to increase donations towards the association. This means that CiviCRM won't be included and the board will have to do the management manually for now. An option to not self host e-mail will also be explored.

No other points are risen.

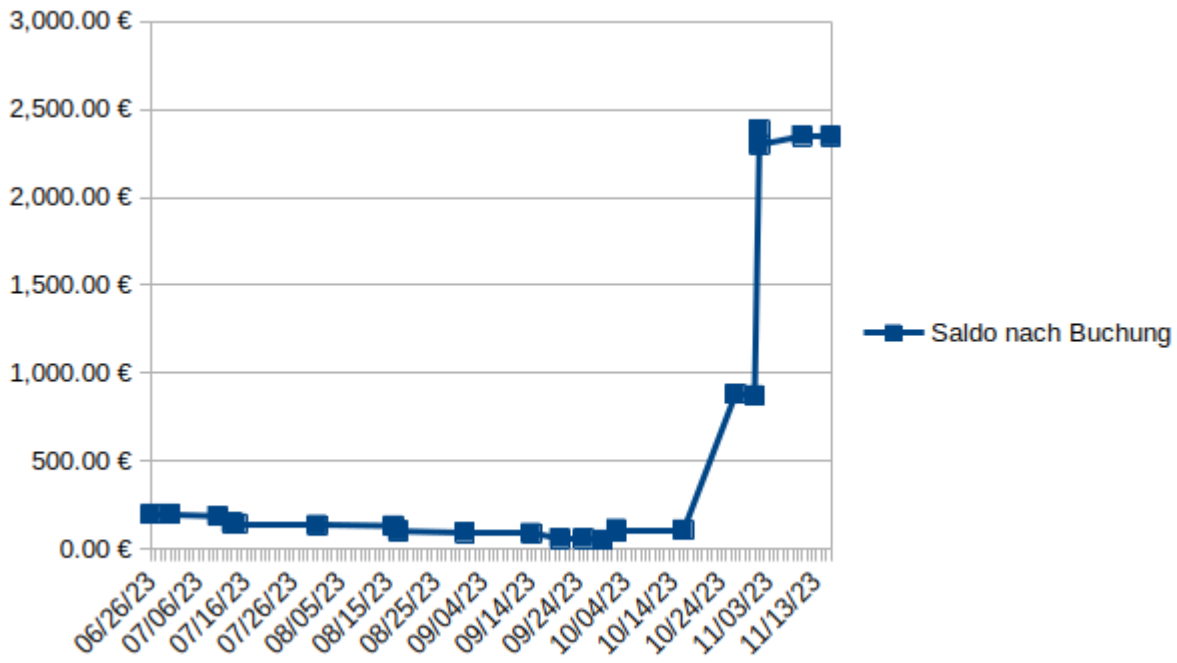
The meeting is concluded 21:13 German time.

Attachments

Yearly report notes

- The association was founded in Nürnberg on the 5th of November 2022. In the following weeks it was registered in Germany: VR 25263. This be found in <https://www.handelsregister.de/>
- To get everything going, we first needed a bank account for the association managed by the board. We chose the GLS bank because it was one of the only banks allowing international account holders, with low fees for changing board members, too.
- Once the account was setup, we started to transfer there the money from donations, which previously was held by theSchabi. We created PayPal and Stripe accounts, too, and connected those to the NewPipe app's LiberaPay page.
- On the 16th of July 2023 we held our first biannual board meeting, where the board and other association members discussed the steps to take to establish the association, and in particular infrastructure.
- TheAssassin volunteered to setup the infrastructure on behalf of the association, thank you so much! He bought a domain (<https://newpipe-ev.de>) and a server to host the infrastructure on. He also setup a mailbox account, which is outside of the association server, for redundancy.
- In the following months TheAssassin also deployed other services, available on <https://services.newpipe-ev.de>, including Git hosting (Gitea), secret sharing (YoPass), file hosting (ownCloud), and finally an identity management system for centralized login to almost all services (Authentik).
- Ever since the libera.chat IRC bridge was shut down, there was no way for the team to communicate all together and also keep a trace of older messages. Therefore TheAssassin setup TheLounge, a web client for IRC that also saves messages received, as well as a matrix server
- Some other services are currently in-progress, including CiviCRM, the email server and the official e.v. website.
- After a couple of iterations the board agreed upon a logo that highlights the connection of the e.v. with NewPipe. Many thanks to the designer who helped us!

Account overview



Cash audit NewPipe e. V. (English translation)

Cash audit for 2022

Scope of time

This cash audit considers the business year 2022.

Auditable subjects

During the entirety of business year 2022, the Verein did not own any monetary assets; it had no income and no expenses. Fees in connection with founding the Verein were paid in their entirety by private individuals.

Provided records

None.

Individuals taken part

Fynn Godau, cash auditor (Kassenprüfer) for NewPipe e. V., is the author and translator of this document. No other individuals were involved in the audit.

Audit process

An audit is not required because there are no subjects to be audited.

Audit result

The audit was not performed because it was not required yet for the founding year.

Final remarks

An overall evaluation of the audit results in the following remarks.

Mitgliedsbeiträge

To avoid cash accumulation and due to lack of a bank account, the membership fees for 2022 were not yet raised. It shall be noted that this is yet to do (insofar possible).

Discharge of the board

In relation to the business year of 2022, it is entirely recommended to discharge the board.

Schweinfurt, the 16th of December 2023

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Preliminary cash audit for 2023

Scope of time

This cash audit considers the time frame starting **1st of January** and ending **30th of November 2023** inclusive. Hence, this cash audit is preliminary, as the business year of 2023 is not yet concluded.

Auditable subjects

- NewPipe e. V. does not own monetary assets in cash.
- Since June 2023, NewPipe e. V. has its own bank account (primary account).
- NewPipe e. V. has a PayPal login with multiple accounts.
- NewPipe e. V. has a Stripe access.

Provided records

The following documents were provided for this audit.

- Bank statements for the account at GLS Gemeinschaftsbank e.G. up to 30th of November inclusive
- Bank statements for the accounts at PayPal Inc. for balance in EUR, AUD, CHF, GBP, MXN, USD
- Invoices for infrastructure expenses

Not provided were

- transactions within the Stripe access.

Individuals taken part

Fynn Godau, cash auditor (Kassenprüfer) for NewPipe e. V., is the author and translator of this document. No other individuals were involved in the audit.

Audit process

For the purposes of this audit, the expenses of the primary bank account were individually checked against their respective invoiced, except for account and transaction fees, which are self-evident from the account statements.

All transactions in the PayPal accounts were checked individually. According to the board, the available balance is payed out to the primary account in a monthly interval.

Stripe is a payment service provider, used by NewPipe e. V. for credit card and direct debit payments via the donation platform Liberapay. Because Stripe is so far used exclusively via Liberapay, the fees are not invoiced to NewPipe e. V.. Stripe is not a bank, yet it is possible to accumulate a balance. According to the board, the Stripe access is configured such that the available balance is payed out to

the primary account in a monthly interval. Because it is not possible to redirect individual payouts to different accounts, an audit of the balances in the Stripe account is not required for 2023.

Audit result

- Each expense in the primary bank account could be associated with a corresponding invoice without doubt.
- All expenses of NewPipe e. V. are associated exclusively with operational cost that the board is entitled to manage.
- From a PayPal account, a single transaction for private purposes has been performed on accident. The resulting damage was reconciled immediately afterwards.

Final remarks

An overall evaluation of the audit results in the following remarks.

PayPal accounts in different currencies

Up until November 1st, the PayPal access did not only accumulate balances in EUR, but also in other currencies. On November 1st, those foreign currency accounts were closed and their balances converted to EUR. Hence, in the future, it will no longer be necessary to audit these foreign currency accounts.

Mitgliedsbeiträge

In business year 2023, due membership fees were still not raised. The board had planned to delay this until a membership management system was established. Until the end of the following business year – but at the very latest during the business year of 2025 –, this or an alternative, temporary solution should be established. The first membership fees will expire by the end of 2025 ([§ 195 BGB](#), standard limitation period).

Orderly collection of receipts

It is suggested to, in the future, sort collected receipts and invoices by month.

Discharge of the board

Regarding the business year of 2023, there is no evidence that would speak against discharging the board to date.

Schweinfurt, the 16th of November 2023



Fynn Godau