Policy plan 2026-2027

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61st board of SNT

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Introduction

This is the policy plan of the 61st candidate board of SNT. In this document, we want to inform you about the focus that this board will have during our board year. Every section in this policy plan is something we would like to give attention to, but do note that something that is not mentioned is not something we wish to neglect.

At the time of writing, the association has become healthier than ever thanks to the efforts of the previous boards. We came out of the (COVID-)slump, and are on our way to become a truly healthy association.

Getting more members

We would like to get more members. Specifically, more active and young members to keep the association sustainable. We will try to attract more members to SNT by having university wide activities, spreading the word, and by trying to be more approachable. An example of this is casually inviting people that seem interested in the type of tech that SNT handles, to come by the lunch.

Getting committees alive

Although SNT would like more members, it's currently difficult for new members to find a project to be a part of. This means we need more fine-grained committees people can participate in. For instance we are considering a WerkCom or similarly named committee, which can aid in the development of software needed within SNT. Or a committee for hackerspace-esque projects within the SNT room. Or a committee for mesh networking projects.

This doesn't mean we want to lock people out of participating in projects they're interested in. Some committees may require onboarding to protect sensitive systems within the association. However a committee like the AxieCom should be available to all members for organizing one-off events. Yet by formalizing the committee we can centralize documentation on the wiki and assign budgets.

Regular meetings with LISA

Keeping good relations with LISA is crucial for SNT's existence. We will therefore continue the dealing of the previous board, meeting with LISA management at least once every 3 months, and ideally once every 2 months. The Syscom committee will also meet regularly with LISA operations to discuss the operational side of SNT.
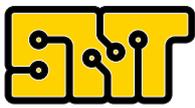
36. During management meetings, we will prepare an agenda and take lead of the
37. meeting to show skill and professionalism. At the same time, we want to keep these
38. meetings lighthearted and fun, so LISA management does not see us as a burden.

39. Board working methods

40. Regular meetings

41. Despite the improvements in the engagement of the current board, the low
42. frequency of meeting stood in the way in the proper functioning of the board. This
43. policy point aims to keep the board on top on the current state of association and
44. keep the board members aware on the activities of the other members.

45. A place to store agendas and minutes

46. Asides from the increased frequency of the meetings, this policy plan aims to solve
47. the issue of the inconsistent format of the board meeting notes. There was no true
48. consensus about how and where to make meeting notes, which made meetings
49. chaotic next to being infrequent. This needs to be solved by setting an concrete note
50. taking software and saving location.

### 51. When is a board decision truly a board decision

52. Since we have a small board and we will disagree on some topics, we need to have
53. clear guidelines on when a decision is a board's decision, even if someone agrees. The
54. same holds for decisions that need to be made quickly (think quick emergency
55. spending for new disks), if there are no other board members around.

56. Since we are with three, if a majority (2 board members) agree on something during a
57. board meeting, we deem it policy. When a quick decision needs to be made, a board
58. member should try to reach the other members through Matrix, or phone, before
59. making the decision themselves.

60. More promotion material

61. We want to make SNT more known around campus. This year, we want to focus
62. heavily on getting more promotion material that gets good impressions. Apart from
63. the typical merchandise like T-shirts, we want to create more posters to attract
64. members and customers. We also want to create business-card like merch that
65. advertises our SSH Signup service. The intention of these business cards is to give
66. them to people that seem nerdy and interested, to catch their interest even more,
67. since the SSH signup service often gets a "woah this is cool" reaction.

68. Our hope is that, by having more promotion material that people see, SNT becomes a
69. better-known association, for interested members and possible customers alike.
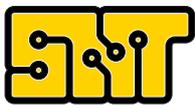
Better association wide communication

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71. In the past year the previous board has noticed a some miscommunication happening
72. throughout different parts of the association. We would like to encourage more
73. regular meetings, for the board as well as the committees. The weekly lunches and
74. bi-weekly hokavonden continue to play a big role in (inter-committee) bonding across
75. the association, and we want to make sure to keep having them.

Formalizing the structure of SNT

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77. The current form of the association leaves a lot to be desired, mostly when it comes
78. to the administration of members and committees. This policy point is meant to
79. address those issues. One of the main goals will be to establish a proper member
80. administration that is **easy to use** and complies with all the requirements of the
81. statutes, privacy law and good system design practices. The policy plan does not
82. narrow down how this is to be established, and this can be discussed with the
83. members that are willing to contribute to this goal.