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**Minutes of the 9th ordinary meeting**of the 13th Student Parliament of the University Geisenheim University at**January 12, 2026 at 6:45 PM**

## TOP 1 Opening of the session

- Opening of the session by the President of the 13th Student Parliament, Lena Berghaus

## Item 2 Determination of Quorum

- 10 out of 14 student parliament members are present
  **Present:**Lena Berghaus, Esther Hoser, Tim Holzwarth, Dominik Pohl, Maria-Christina Scherzberg, Ruven Bernecker, Ferdinand Mauritz, Francesca Flocke, Jonathan Richter, Lynn Othmer
  **Absent:**Alessandra-Paulina Jauss (unexcused), Emilie Schmidt (unexcused), Clara-Sophie Emmich, Sophia Heckwolf,
- **A quorum is present.**
- **AStA (1):**Tobias Görres

## TOP 3 Appointment of the meeting chair and minutes

- **Meeting Chair:**Lena Berghaus
- **Minutes taken:**Tim Holzwarth

## Item 4 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

- The**Minutes of the meeting of May 21, 2022**is unanimously
  approved O10 votes in favor, 0 votes against, 0 abstentions

## Item 5: Decision on the agenda

- Addition of another item under Miscellaneous/under**TOP 5** O10
  votes in favor, 0 votes against, 0 abstentions

## TOP 6 Resolution Online Election Student Parliament

- **Choice**was unanimously decided upon as an online election.
  O10 votes in favor, 0 votes against, 0 abstentions
- 15 candidates have put themselves forward.
- Advertising should take place shortly before the election and at the AStA general assembly.

- Discussions focused on the plan to attend lectures and be given 5 minutes by the lecturer to choose from.

**TOP 7 Planning General Meeting**

- Tobias Görres provides information about the purpose of the general assembly
- The StudIP banner is to be changed to provide information about the election; post on the Instagram channel

- The AStA's annual financial statement for the fiscal year will be presented -> Explanation of why the student union fee is increasing from €33 to €35
- The candidates for the 14th Student Parliament will be presented in plenary session at the AStA's general assembly.
- Adaptation of the presentation for the general assembly (AStA & StuPa jointly)
- Lena Berghaus informs the timetable department that the general assembly is not displayed in the personal timetable for some degree programs.

**TOP 8 Report Election Committee**

- Send email to participants
- 25% voter turnout required

**TOP 9 Report Awareness Committee**

- Esther Hoser's feedback confirms that the focus is on supporting those affected. The awareness team is not concerned with prosecuting perpetrators or anything similar.
- Awareness teams at parties, posters with a functional address for concerns
- In consultation with the AStA (General Student Committee), to raise awareness of the issue.
- Information/promotional material in the first-year student bags
- Maria-Christina Scherzberg announces that an awareness team (ideally of both genders) should be provided for the semester closing party.
- There should be a quiet room as a place to retreat to.
- Member recruitment will take place via social media.
- The compensation consists of a volunteer allowance for the helpers.
- Statutes of the Student Parliament, Section 22: The members of the Student Parliament and the General Student Committee (AStA) are entitled to compensation for expenses in accordance with the financial regulations.
  Expense allowances may also include persons who are commissioned by the student body bodies with special tasks.
- Therefore, the form for the volunteer allowance must be filled out and countersigned by the helpers.

**TOP 10 applications**

- The application for amendment of the statutes dated November 27, 2025, to change the deadlines in the financial regulations (applicant: Tobias Görres) was read out for the second time.

  Amendment to the deadlines in Financial Regulations §14 paragraph (3) Submission of the annual financial statements from 1 June to 1 November

Amendment to the deadlines in Financial Regulations §14 paragraph (4) Submission of the audit report on the annual financial statements from 30 June to 31 December

The change to these deadlines is justified by the need to collaborate with a tax office in preparing the annual financial statements. Experience has shown that the previous deadlines could not be met to a satisfactory degree.

Therefore, from the perspective of the applicant and also of the student parliament itself, this amendment to the statutes is necessary.

**TOP 11 Miscellaneous**

- It is being reviewed whether the hourly rate should be increased, as this has not been done for a long time.
- The payment of the volunteer allowance is to be made monthly during the term of office as an incentive, instead of after the term of office as before.
- A reflection session is planned for the next meeting of the 13th Student Parliament.
- Discussions also focused on how to promote cohesion and engagement in the next student parliament.
- Francesca Flocke inquired whether the university basement would be available for a meeting on February 9, 2026, following the 10th session of the student parliament. A closing ceremony for the 13th student parliament is planned for that date.
- Tobias Görres asks the mayor about the outcome of the vote on the second home tax and the welcome bonus in the city council.
- Jonathan Richter suggests that he can provide organizational support to the 14th Student Parliament to facilitate and accelerate the start and integration into the work processes.
- Jonathan Richter gives feedback on the blood donation drive: The German Red Cross (DRK) has inspected the campus and reported that they can start campaigns on campus from April/May.
- Blood donors from Geisenheim will also be invited.

**TOP 12 End of the session**

- The meeting ends at 8:00 PM (meeting duration 1 hour).
- The next meeting is expected to take place on Tuesday.**February 9, 2025 at 6:45 PM**instead of