

Sports Umbrella Twente Board 2025

Policy Plan

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# Responsibilities

#### President

This year's role of president of the SUT will be filled by Jonas Dalitz. He will take care of sectors 1 and 4. Apart from taking care of the associations in his sector, he is also responsible for the following:

- Chair board meetings and general assemblies
- Represent the SUT towards other parties at the UT (Student Union, Umbrellas
- Represent the SUT towards Student Sport Nederland (SSN)

#### **Secretary**

This year's role of Secretary will be filled by Soham Nanwani. He will take care of sector 2. Apart from taking care of the associations in his sector, he is also responsible for the following:

- Take minutes of board meetings and general assemblies.
- Do the administrative work for the SUT mail (with exception to the sector related mails).
- Maintain the website.
- Act as SUT representative for sector 2.

#### Treasurer

This year's role of Treasurer will be filled by Henry Harris. He will take care of sectors 5 and 6. Apart from taking care of the associations in his sector, he is also responsible for the following:

- Creating the SUT's budget plan
- Bookkeeping for the SUT
- Updating the FAM spreadsheet
- Meetings with the Audit Committee before every GA
- The Sports Day Committee
- Manage Kick-In Do-groups

### **Executive Marketing and Branding Officer**

This year's role of Executive Marketing and Branding Officer will be filled by Thimo Swieringa. He will take care of sectors 3 and 7. Apart from taking care of the associations in his sector, he is also responsible for the following:

- Increasing people's awareness about the SUT
- Keeping social media (Instagram, LinkedIn) up to date
- Communication with Student Sport Nederland (SSN)
- Meetings with the SportsCenter
- The Gala committee

## Portfolio Holder Sports and Culture - Student Union

The student union will be represented this year by Lukas Binnekamp as this year's portfolio holder for sports and culture. He is part of the SUT board, but will not be performing operational tasks within the board. Instead, his responsibilities are:

- Maintaining strong and smooth communication between the SU and SUT
- Representing the interests of sports associations, the SUT and SU to external parties

#### Sectors

All sports associations under the Sports Umbrella are divided into Sectors. Sectors are put together based on similarities between the (needs of the) sports practiced within the associations and numbered from 1 to 7. To every sector, a board member is appointed who manages the communication with the associations in their sector.

Responsible board member	Jonas	Soham	Thimo	Jonas	Henry		Thimo
Sector nr.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Associations	DSTV Aloha	DRV Arriba	VAS Arashi	DHC Drienerlo	DKV Euros	Hippo- campus	Blue- Shell
	Klein Verzet	EEEHV Cabezota	ESBV Buiten- westen	High Tech Hitters	DRV Euros	Hercules	Fenrir
	DAV Kronos	Harambee	DBV Diok	TC Ludica	DZ Euros	Motor Sport Groep (MSG)	De Klokus
	DSV de Skeuvel	Messed Up	Linea Recta	Phoenix Lacrosse Enschede	DWV Hardboard	SHBV Sagitta- rius	Leap
	SIJHV The Slapping Studs	VV Drienerlo	DBV de Stretchers	SKV Vakgericht	ZPV Piranha	DSSV Tartaros	Thestrals
			DTTV Thibats			TSAC	

## Goals

# Student Engagement

As active students, we all know about the importance of student engagement/activism within our university. The student union has observed a decline in student engagement over the past couple of years. We will support the student union in trying to return student engagement to its pre-pandemic levels within the sports sector.

- ★ Goal 1.1 Provide insight to the student union about activism within the sports sector.
- ★ Goal 1.2 Assist the student union in increasing student engagement.

#### **GNSK** in Enschede

The Groot NSK (GNSK) is an NSK for a large variety of sports with over 2000 participants. It was last awarded to Enschede in 2020, but could not take place due to the Covid-19 pandemic measures. We would like to host the GNSK in 2026 or 2027.

- ★ Goal 2.1 Gauge interest for the GNSK within the sports sector.
- ★ Goal 2.2 Apply for the GNSK.

### Accessibility of trainings to international students

We have noticed that there are a number of trainers at sports associations that are not proficient in English to the point of being able to give instructions in English. We see this as a barrier to entry for international students. Together with the sports centre and the UT language centre, we would like to draft a program or course that would enable trainers to give instructions in English, making sports accessible to all UT students.

- ★ Goal 3.1 Engage in a discussion with the sectors about the accessibility of trainings within the associations.
- ★ Goal 3.2 Approach the UT language centre to draft a course or program for trainers.

### **Facility Allocation Model**

Last year, several changes were made to the Facility Allocation Model (FAM) in response to the current financial situation of the UT. Due to the extent of the financial struggles, the FAM was only set up for one year. Together with the student union and the associations, we will work towards setting up a new FAM, suitable to and future-proof in the current situation.

Input from all associations has been collected on their views on the FAM.

#### Future-proof FAM

The university is working towards future-proofing all aspects of its operation. Primarily, inspired by the current financial situation, this is mainly focused on a financial view.

★ Goal 4.1 Rework the FAM to be financially viable now and in the foreseeable future.

★ Goal 4.2 Approach SSN to explore how other universities are handling the financial stress.

#### Visibility of the FAM

After last year's extensive collaborative approach to the initial change of the FAM, most current boards are hopefully well aware of how the FAM works. Since there are further changes expected to be made, it is important to reflect those changes in guidelines and communication about the FAM.

- ★ Goal 4.3 Keep the FAM policy guidelines and explanatory documents up to date.
- ★ Goal 4.4 Keep associations involved as much as possible.

#### Committees

## **Sports Day Committee**

A committee organizing a sports day has been formed. The sports day is an activity brought back after a one-year hiatus where all sports association's boards are invited to join a fun event-filled day.

#### Sports Gala Committee

The sports gala committee will organize a gala for all students within the sports sector of the UT. The committee has been partially formed as well.

#### **RvT**

The supervisory board (RvT - Raad van Toezicht) is formed by experienced people within the sports sector. Its tasks are to ensure the board follows the policies agreed upon at the general assembly.

#### Sector meetings

Regular meetings between the sectors and their SUT representatives proved to be a useful and effective means of communication. These will be continued on a regular basis.

#### Communication

Communication is a major cornerstone in the relationship between the SUT and the sports associations. Clear and regular communication is important to ensuring an environment of trust and understanding. The various communication channels are listed below.

### **Monthly Infomails**

The SSAs, Supervisory Board and Sport Center should be informed regularly on any events and deadlines related to the sports sector at the UT

★ Goal 5.1 Send a mail once a month to SSA, Supervisory Board, Sport Center keeping them up to date with any events and deadlines.

#### Instagram

Most of an association's communication to outside parties is via their Instagram. Instagram posts are for most associations not only a way to give announcements but it is also a way to show the association's culture. The SUT Instagram should therefore help associations express themselves.

- ★ Goal 6.1 Ensure that all member associations are well represented on the Instagram account.
- ★ Goal 6.2 Make the SUT Instagram account the central point for people to get information about sports events on campus.

#### LinkedIn

LinkedIn is a useful tool for an organization to communicate on a professional level with other organizations or people that you want to work with as well as to communicate the things they are working on. At the moment, the LinkedIn of the SUT is hard to find, has less than 50 connections and followers combined and has no posts. To revive the LinkedIn account, we set the following goals.

- ★ Goal 7.1 Make the SUT LinkedIn account the top search when looking for "SUT" or "Sports Umbrella Twente" on LinkedIn.
- ★ Goal 7.2 Get the sum of the SUT's connections and followers above 300 on LinkedIn.

#### Website

The Website is a tool for Boards to get valuable information on other Boards and also on what the SUT can offer Boards and associations such as the FAM.

★ Goal 8.1 Keeping the website up to date and posting relevant information on the site

# WhatsApp

Communication via WhatsApp has proved to be an effective means of communication. No changes are planned. There will be a group chat for each sector, an announcement chat used by the SUT for important announcements and a group chat for all boards.