## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ATA DUTCH LANGUAGE DIVISION VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING - OCTOBER 09, 2021

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Division Administrator, Irene Stoel, at 12:05 pm.
  - 6 DLD members attended the meeting: Myriam-Rose Kohn, Mery Molenaar, David Stephenson, Nina Woodson, Irene Stoel, Leo van Zanten.
- 2. The agenda for this meeting and the minutes of last year's annual meeting were accepted as distributed.
- 3. DLD Overview for 2020-2021
  - a. Report from the Administrator Irene Stoel
    - The DLD held 3 virtual get-togethers in 2021, in January, May and September, each with an average of 10 members in attendance.
    - In February/March the DLD sent out a survey to its membership through broadcasts sent out by the ATA. 30 members responded to the survey. Results were shared during the May get-together and a blog post about them will be published in October.
    - The DLD had nominated Tia Nutters, a lecturer and researcher at the Universities of Groningen and Utrecht, as the Distinguished Speaker during the Annual Conference in Minneapolis this year. Unfortunately, because of the ongoing restrictions for EU citizens to travel to the US, she will not be able to attend. The ATA sent a letter to the US Consulate in the Netherlands to request an exemption, but a reply was not received before a decision had to be made about cancelling.
    - The Dutch Language Division currently has 133 individual members and 74 corporate and institutional members. Irene concluded that the number of members decreased after sending out the membership survey.
  - b. Report from the Webmaster David Stephenson David reported the publishing of several blog posts on the DLD website. He also added some resources to the site and requested members to contribute more resources. He also asked for ideas from the members for possible additions to the website.
  - c. Report from the Forum Moderator Nina Woodson Nina reported that 4 new members were added to the DLD Google Group since October 2020. We now have a total of 88 registered members, but 9 of those are members with two registered emails. She will follow-up with these members individually to confirm if they want to keep both email addresses, or like to remove one.
  - d. Report from Interim Social Media Coordinator Dennis Seine Dennis did not submit any formal report on the social media activities. Irene reiterated that he is the interim social media coordinator, and has indicated that

he does not feel like he has as much time to dedicate to the position as it deserves. We have been looking for someone to replace him, but nobody has offered to step in. Fortunately, Dennis is still posting on our Facebook and Twitter once in a while as well as upon request when someone wants to share something through the DLD accounts.

Irene has also started a Linked-In group for the DLD, and everyone is invited to connect and share appropriate content through this platform.

e. Report from Blog Coordinator Alexandra de Vries

Alexandra submitted the following report: "This has been a quiet year for the Blog. We had two posts about last year's online ATA conference and an article about International Translation Day. We are planning some more posts for this coming year, but I would like to take this opportunity to remind all the members that the blog is there for you. If you have any ideas, contributions, or suggestions, please send them our way."

We discussed increasing the frequency of publications, and Mery suggested possibly republishing certain content, like posts from other Divisions, or articles from this year's proposed Distinguished Speaker, Tia Nutters, provided we obtain prior permission from the respective authors.

- 4. New Business for 2021-2022
  - a. Irene repeated the quest for a new Social Media Coordinator.
  - b. For next year's ATA Annual Conference, it is our intention to nominate Tia Nutters again, and she already indicated that she is definitely prepared to come to LA in October 2022, if there are no travel restrictions.
- 5. A call was made for members to join the Nominating Committee that needs to be formed to find candidates for the 2022 DLD officer elections. Members of the Leadership Council are excluded from participating. It was suggested to ask Claire Singleton to be part of the Committee again, since she has experience from 2 years ago. Myriam-Rose offered to help, and Nina indicated that she still has all the documentation from last time to provide as support, if needed.
- 6. Meeting was adjourned at 12:36 pm