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A word from the Vorstand

Andreas Wenzel, Florian Hoppe & Andreas Hirl

Dear Members,

our annual meeting in Munich (July 8th-10th) has been exciting and full of changes.

First, we would like to thank Steve Salbu, the Associate Dean of McCombs School of Business, for the update from Austin. Two points are particularly worth mentioning. First, Dean Gau has agreed to make more funds available for the alumni program. Second, the business school is undertaking substantial efforts to further strengthen its core program in order to enhance the overall quality of the MBA.

We would also like to thank Alex von Frankenberg and Florian Hoppe for organizing all activities and locations for the weekend of our annual meeting.

At the annual meeting we elected a new leadership team. Andreas Wenzel and Florian Hoppe will take over the official club leadership from Andreas Hirl and Brigitte Wittekind. Andreas Hirl will however continue to be part of the leadership team by occupying an advisory role and assisting Andreas & Florian with club-related work.

Sven Schröder gave an update on the financial situation of the club. With regard to this aspect our club is actually in a very solid and good shape. Sven agreed to continue serving as our club's treasurer for one more year. Many thanks for that. Also thanks to

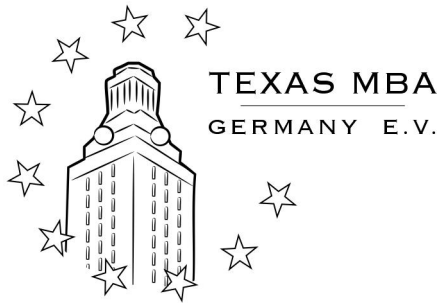
Armin Kunz who does a great job running the club's website and keeping all of the information on it up to date.

One thing that was rather disappointing about our annual meeting 2005 certainly was the extremely low participation. We reached a new all time low with only ten members present. As part of a 'revitalization package' for our club we have decided to organize more activities in the future and expand our club's reach to other European countries. You can learn more about this in following sections of this newsletter.

We have also decided to hold our annual meeting 2006 in Berlin, preferably on the last weekend in June. We will of course provide you with an update on this event as soon as the date is fixed and some more details are known. We are absolutely confident to pull together a program that will attract substantially more than ten members to that great location.

After our last ski event had to be cancelled due to lack of participation we are absolutely committed to revive this fun tradition. We plan to have our ski event in 2006 either on the last weekend of February or on the first weekend of March. We would like to thank Sascha Bock for taking over the responsibility for organizing this event again.

Along with the increasing level of activity in our club goes a decrease in the membership fees. In the light of the very solid finance situation we decided to set the annual membership fees at EUR 50 (down from EUR



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60). Furthermore we cancelled the one-time admission fee to the club which used to be at EUR 25. Now, there are definitively no reasons any more, not be become a member of Texas MBA Germany.

Texas MBA goes Europe – connecting to other European alumni

Florian Hoppe

In order set the basis for a further expansion of our membership base we have decided to rename the German Chapter on the UT alumni website into European Chapter. We intend to build our club into a platform for all European Texas MBA alumni who do not have access to a local alumni organization or just want to join our club for other reasons. We believe that this will simultaneously increase the attractiveness of our club to current members. Finally, taking such a step makes sense considering that our current membership base is already spread out over many European countries (France, Switzerland, Poland, England, etc.). We have already been contacting the business school to receive data on all recent alumni from Europe who are not yet part of any local alumni organization.

At the same time we will try to increase the depth of our membership base in Germany, as there are still numerous German alumni who are not yet part of Texas MBA Germany. We will keep you updated on our progress on

this initiative. It goes without saying that you, our current members, are more than invited to actively recruit new members for our club, be it alumni from Germany or from other European countries.

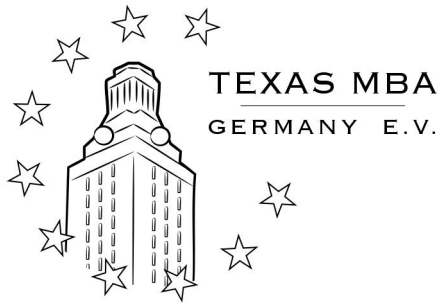
Scholarships

Florian Hoppe & Brigitte Wittekind

This year's scholarship has been awarded to three students at once, who will jointly receive the scholarships' funds and also jointly complete a research project. The students are exchange students from Koblenz who complete the double degree program. Congratulation to: Rubin Ritter, Johannes Messing and Katharina Dittrich. They will use the money to fund a research project on international economic activities; the topic is not yet finally determined, but we will have a presentation of the results on our next annual meeting as usual.

As a novelty, we will try to use the scholars as a local liaison to UT. In the past years we have been interacting with the university mainly via email and hope to establish a more direct contact by having a "face on the campus". This role will also involve short updates on the university and the local student life to which we all can look forward to in the coming newsletters.

Unfortunately we were not able to award any out-of state tuition waivers. As we think that



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the out-of-state tuition waiver is a really great offer for prospective MBA students, we encourage you to communicate this offer also among your colleagues and friends, who might consider studying at UT.

Texas MBA Germany golf week-end (September 30th- October 2nd)

Andreas Hirl & Christian Stielow

We will start a new tradition this year with the first annual Texas MBA golf week-end in Europe.

Proposed date is the weekend of September 30th to October 2nd in Sarreguemines (close to Saarbrücken).

We will be playing at:

www.golfdesarreguemines.com

If you are interested in joining please contact Andreas Hirl (andreashirl@yahoo.com) or Armin Kunz (armin.kunz@web.de)

Texas MBA goes Oktoberfest (September 24th @ Hippodrom)

Andreas Wenzel

Continuing our long-lasting tradition to gather at the Oktoberfest in Munich we will meet there again this year in the popular Hippodrom tent. We have managed to organize a table for Saturday, September 24th, from 12:00 to 15:30. We are very much excited about this event and look forward to partying with other Texas MBAs and their significant others. Although it should not be

necessary to provide you with incentives to sign up, a three-course Wiesn-Schmankerl menu is included free of charge.

Since the number of reservations is limited, tickets will be distributed on a first-come first-serve basis. To sign up please send an email to president@texasmba.de.

Miscellaneous

Membership area on Texas MBA website

To enhance networking among Texas MBA Germany members, a list of the names of all members with information on their city of residence will be published in the protected member area on the Texas MBA website (<http://www.texasmba.de>).

We have also changed the login and password for this area. To receive it, please contact Armin Kunz at armin.kunz@web.de.

Personal contact information update

It is absolutely essential for our network that all members keep their contact information current. This includes your current email address that is particularly important as we send out information (including newsletters) only by email. Therefore, please keep your personal contact information updated! Either use the attached fax-form, or send and email to: update.data@texasmba.de



Update on personal data

If your personal data has changed please fax this form to:

Armin Kunz, Texas MBA Germany e.V.

Fax +49- 1212-5-129-29-505

Alternatively, send an email with the corresponding data to:

update.data@texasmba.de

Name: _____

Date of birth: _____ SSN: _____

Name of significant other: _____

Private address

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Permanent address (if different from private address)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Business information

Company: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Preferred email-address for Texas MBA-communication: private / permanent / business

Account information for membership fees

Account #: _____ BLZ: _____

Bank: _____

Place, date: _____ Signature: _____