Snapshot of TUG

Board of Directors

$\text{T\LaTeX} \text{ Users Group Annual Meeting, 2016-July}$
**TUG Aims**

A summary of the general aims of the TUG organization (complete bylaws):

▶ To encourage and expand the use of \TeX{}, \LaTeX{}, Metafont and related systems.
▶ To ensure the integrity and portability of \TeX{}, \LaTeX{}, Metafont and related systems.
▶ To foster innovation in high-quality electronic document preparation.

The most important reason to join TUG is to support these goals.
Board of Directors

These are the Board members, listed with the year in which when that member’s term expires.

Pavneet Arora (2019)
Barbara Beeton (2019)
Kaja Christiansen (2017)
Susan DeMeritt (2019) Secretary
Michael Doob (2019)
Steve Grathwohl (2017)
Jim Hefferon (2017) President
Klaus Höppner (2017) Treasurer
Steve Peter (2017)
Cheryl Ponchin (2019)
Norbert Preining (2019)
Arthur Reutenauer (2017)
Boris Veytsman (2019)
Overview

We continue to support conferences such as this one, TUGboat, the \TeX\ Development Fund to aid growth of \TeX\-related technical projects, the TUG Bursary Fund providing financial assistance for attending TUG conferences, and various specialized funds that support activities useful to the \TeX\ community, such as CTAN and Lua\TeX.  

Financially we continue to budget conservatively and we have traditionally kept pretty close to the budget.
Challenges
Members

The number of members has fallen steadily.

This table gives the endpoints.

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At the end of June 2016 we have 1124 members.
Dues

Regular dues are $105. Early Bird membership (by March 31) is $85. There is a special rate for students or new graduates, seniors (62 or older), and citizens of countries with modest economies: $75 with an Early Bird of $55.

There have been many tries at tweaking the fee schedule, or at membership promotions. Here is the history.