AUTOCART2021© Meeting Minutes

Attendees: J. Ajdenbaum (Student), T. Auguste (Student), V. Bakache (Student), A. Boitreaud (Student), A. Coutaux (Student), G. Capitan (Speaker), B. Cagnol (Teacher*) Meeting summary:

- **I.** 9:30 9:32 Greetings, introducing today's topics, general remarks on previous speeches.
- II. 9:32 10:00 Students present their ideas, discussions with Ms. Cagnol and other students
- III. 10:00 10:02 My 2-minute pitch on AUTOCART2021 © (Guillaume CAPITAN).
- **IV.** 10:02 10:10 No discussion to let last remaining students present, as time is running out before next session with other students.

Main arguments presented for the AUTOCART2021©

- > Elderly people wish to stay as autonomous as possible.
- Heavy carts are hard to control for everyone, this patent would help reducing the number of cart collision.
- > Pushing heavy carts can damage already weak bones.

Reactions to the AUTOCART2021© introduction pitch

- Does it work like a golf cart somewhat? It looks pretty similar...
 Answer: no, it is supposed to help the elderly in their shopping, not replace them. They want to remain autonomous.
 So it will just facilitate turning and pushing/pulling movements.
- Good idea, although patents must exist already.

Agenda

Step 1: Contact Walmart about their fully-motorized shopping robots [prototypes] and its possible implementation.

Step 2: Compare the storage capacities of various shopping carts (and see if the Amazon Go carts are really worth the loss of space).

Step 3: Get more data on existing motorized carts (power, liability, cost, ...)

