

## **Doctoral Student Union Board Meeting**

Date: January 20, 2016 Time: 11.00-13.00

Attendance: Dimitris Paraschakis, Erliza Lopez Pedersen, Maria Rubin, Erik Karlsson

**Eric Snodgrass** 

#### 1. Formalities

Eric is appointed as the chair of the meeting. Eric is appointed as the secretary of the meeting. Maria is appointed as adjustment person.

## 2. Discussion of last meeting's protocol

2.1 Nothing was brought up at this meeting.

#### 3. Information from the Chairman

- 3.1 The budget. Though it has not formally gone through yet, it looks as if the budget issue has been resolved, with Hans Lindquist agreeing to cover the 100.000 difference.
- 3.2 Ombudsman. The issue was received fairly negatively by forskningsberedningen (FN). FN asked why issues for an ombudsman could not be handled by DSU. But Hans Lindquist & Peter Jönsson have agreed to look into the possibility of creating an Ombudsman role and raise at a future meeting of ledningsgruppen.
- 3.3 Language letter. The DSU have been promised to be a part of the policy revision on language that will be done at some point in 2016.
- 3.4 AKL courses. FN plan to now demand that AKL courses are reviewed FUU and/or FN.

#### 4. Information from the Treasurer

- 4.1 Membership is currently 194 members over both semesters.
- 4.2 Will prepare review of finances to present at annual meeting.

## 5. Information from the representatives at a general level

5.1 Mentorship program (Maria). Yesterday the FUU went through central review of forskarutbilidning (research development). Two points relevant to next DSU board. 1. Mentorship program: Magnus Lindquist and alumni coordinators should have a meeting in the future regarding mentorship program. There is still some doubt over what they want from mentorship program. The vice chancellor will be responsible for making a decision regarding how to take forward, but the next

- board could work on informing this decision and letting the vice-chancellor know why this important and how it could work.
- 5.2 Digitising ISPs (Maria). Peter Jönsson continuing to look into digitising ISPs, using existing example of system created at Lund. Next board should also consider looking into informing work going into this.
- 5.3 Follow up on review of internal research education (Maria). This is ongoing and DSU members involved with FUU should continue to consider how can inform this review.

#### 6. Information from the communications team

6.1 None.

## 7 Information from doctoral collegium coordinator

7.1 Budget change and ombudsman. Next DSU board should review of how much of the budget is needed for 2016 and whether any extra money of this potential budget change might then be able to be allocated towards a part-time doctoral ombudsman position. In addition to working with general student union regarding, next board should also consider how collaboration with SULF might work in relation to ombudsman.

#### 8 Decisions

8.1 None.

#### 9 Discussions

9.1 Planning the Annual Meeting (buying breakfast, speakers, etc.). Dimitris will bring food. Speakers to begin at 09.20. Annual meeting from 10.00-11.00. Structure of annual meeting:

Annual report from the current DSU board (Erik)

Budget 2016 (Dimitris)

Discharge for the current DSU board (Erik)

Election of new DSU board (Maria Persdotter, Erik)

Election of a nomination committee for 2017 (Erik)

Statutes for 2016 (Erik)

Membership fees for 2016 (Erik)

- 9.2 Annual Report. Report now been finalised and will be emailed before next meeting.
- 9.3 Update on valberedningnen. Three new names have volunteered to be part of next Board, so it looks as if there will be a new DSU Board for 2016. Several current members are willing to stay on if needed.

## 10 Any other business

10.1 None.

Meeting adjourned.

Next DSU Board Meeting to be scheduled by next Board.

# Signatories

Eric Snodgrass, Board Member

Maria Rubin, Adjustment person