



**DOKTORANDKÅREN
MALMÖ**

Doctoral Student Union Board Meeting

Date: October 10, 2015

Time: 12-14

Attendance: Erik Karlsson, Dimitris Paraschakis, Claudia Fonseca Alfaro, Erliza Lopez Pedersen, Zahra Hamidi

1. Formalities

Erik is appointed as the chair of the meeting.

Eric is appointed as the secretary of the meeting.

Claudia 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 Attended forskningsberedningen, Malmö received 17 million more than expected for research funding. 75% percent will go straight out to faculties and 25% will go to vice-chancellor's strategic resource. Some of this money will potentially go to post-docs on migration and refugee crisis. The chairman has requested the Central Board of Research to know what these 'strategic resources' are and how the money is allocated.

4. Information from the Treasurer

4.1 102 members of the DSU now (90 previous year).

5. Information from the representatives at a general level

5.1 None.

6. Information from the communications team

6.1 None.

7. Information from doctoral collegium coordinator

7.1 None.

8. Decisions

8.1 None.

9. Discussions

- 9.1 Presentation by Pablo Tapia Lagunas from the library. Library and IT services have separated. Main aim of the project is to expand 'research support' for PhD students. It's a 1-year project that will run until June 2016. Looking into having workshops on things like PhD workflow using various software tools for research, open access issues, legal aspects and other things. Discussed possibility of perhaps attending a future breakfast meeting or annual meeting for a presentation.
- 9.2 Setting priorities and goals for the Board for the rest of the year – looking back and looking forward (see the Google Doc 'DSU Board Meetings - All action items and mandates') (all Board members). Looked at 2015 Activity Plan and went through what achieved and not achieved so far. Emphasized need to push for a doctoral ombudsman with this Board, perhaps by raising at University Board. Will need to prepare a budget for this. Could start by doing some mapping work as to how much such a ombudsman role would require. Suggestion that we contact Aleksandra Popovich for advice on preparing the proposal or look at notes prepared after the meeting with Aleksandra. *Action: Erliza and Claudia will finish the summary from the meeting with Aleksandra and draft a proposal for an Ombudsman. Action: Eric to raise at FUU meeting on 22 Oct and Erik to raise at next forskningsberedning. Action: Erik to ask Peter Jönsson about results of survey on employment status of PhD students and that they give us a report every semester. Action: all Board members to look at the action items spreadsheet in Google Docs.*
- 9.3 Considering how DSU can work to improve AKL course offerings, including a current issue regarding the future of the academic writing course offered by the Language Editing Group (Eric, Maria, Erik). *Action: Eric to ask Malin to write an email to DSU Board explaining why we should address this issue from DSU perspective.*
- 9.4 Departmental duties: praxis vs. decision issue around hours (Erik & Erliza). Specific case of Ida and Dimitris has worked out for the moment. *Action: Erik will work on DSU praxis and hours document.*
- 9.5 Malmö University for Refugees: whether DSU to get involved in one way or another (Erik & Eric). Eric attending meetings and will see if and when DSU support can be of help.
- 9.6 Nomination committee update (Eric & Erliza).
- 9.7 Language issue (Erliza). Board should draft a letter on this, including reference to relevant legislation. *Action: Erliza and Claudia to draft this with help from Board for next DSU Board Meeting.*

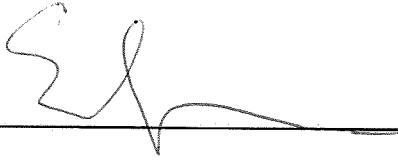
10 Any other business

Next agenda.


Meeting adjourned.

Next DSU board meeting not yet scheduled. Will plan nearer the date.

Signatories



Eric Snodgrass, Board Member



Claudia Fonseca Alfaro, Adjustment person