

Meeting protocol

Doctoral Union Board, Malmö University (DSU)

Date: 170307

Location: U204 (HS) Time: 10:00 - 12:00

Meeting

Attendance: Adrian Lundberg, Therese Lindgren, Camilla Safrankova, Alberto Chrysoulakis, Alexander Engström.

Alexander is appointed as the chair of the meeting. Alberto is appointed as the secretary of the meeting. Camilla is appointed as adjustment person.

- 1. Chairman opens the meeting.
- 2. Election of secretary and adjustment person.
- 3. Determining the meeting agenda.

Information and discussions

- 4. Last meeting's protocol.
- 5. Information
 - Information from the chairman
 - i. Invited to the inauguration of the new innovation area STORM, 10 april.
 - Information from the treasurer
 - i. Informs about the possibility to pay the membership fee per year (instead of per term).
 - Information from the representatives at central level
 - i. Forskningsberedningen
 - 1. The question of grant funding for doctoral students is on hold.
 - 2. With the upcoming university status, doctoral students admitted at other universities may be offered the possibility to register at Malmö university instead.
 - ii. Forskarutbildningsutskottet
 - 1. Therese represents DSU in the work group regarding doctoral schools ("forskarskolor").
 - 2. Travel expenses have gone up due to the new contract with the travel agency XLNT.



- Information from the communications officer
 - i. LS doctoral lunch information on Facebook, Twitter, mailed to students.
 - ii. Newsletter: possibilities to newsletter. Awaiting information from the department of communications regarding access to the universities newsletter-tool.
- Information from the doctoral collegia coordinator.

6. Additional information/discussions

- How do we check that those who pay the membership fee are really PhD students? (Adrian)
 - i. Try to enable a more accessible tool for registration/re-membership.
 - ii. Compare paying members with registers of doctoral students.
- National data base for PhD courses (Camilla)
 - i. No additional information.
- Language policy vs. guidelines how can we work to enhance the possibilities of solving the language issue? (Adrian)
 - i. Meeting with Hans Lindqvist regarding language policy after Easter.
- The work with the new ISP (Adrian)
 - i. Information regarding the digitalization is scarce.
- Mapping of employment/admission status of doctoral students at Malmö University (Camilla):
 - i. There are no overview of all PhD students at MU, we are mapping doctoral student who are employed and/or admitted to doctoral studies at Malmö University.
- Information regarding vacant seats
 - i. Information regarding vacant seats (for instance collegium coordinator) will go out via DSUs communication channels.

7. Any other business

- The board decides to give Therese 20 days in total for work with doctoral collegias (an extension of 8 days).
- We will try to develop a new graphic profile.
- Possible stature update needed regarding affiliation to Malmö University, especially paragraph 3.3.



- Will establish contact with the "desk officer" (Forskningshandläggare med särskild inriktning på forskarutbildning).
- Encourage meetings with doctoral representatives across faculties.
- Investigate conditions and possibilities for "industridoktorander" to get involved with the DSU *and* get their time prolonged.
- OD doctoral student lunch: 9th of May.

8. Next meeting

- Revisit the matter of travel expenses increasing due to the new contract with the travel agency XLNT. How does it erode the doctoral students "doktorandryggsäck"?
- President and vice-president will at the meeting with the Vice-Chancellor try to learn more about how the "desk officer" will be of service to doctoral students.
- Compile a list of what the DSU expects of the "desk officer".
- Doctoral student lunch for KS/TS and HS-students at Universitetsholmen to be decided next meeting.
- Next board meeting: 11th of May, 9-11.

Signatories

Alberto Chrysoulakis, secretary

Camilla Safrankowa, adjustment person

