

DSU Open Meeting April 2019

Date: 2 April 2019

Time: 13 - 15

Protocol: Marie Nordström

Adjustment person: Angelica Wågby

Attending: Angelica Wågby, Marie Nordström, Alicia Smedberg, Magnus Gustafson

1. Budget 2019

Niklas Ehlin has finished the declaration of 2018 year's budget.

Proposal of this year's budget (2019):

- +79.297 surplus from 2018
- 2.500 Niklas Ehlin treasurer for 2018
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- 10.000 event spring 2019
- 10.000 social event autumn 2019
- 10.000 academic event autumn 2019
- + 14.400 estimated member fees of autumn 2019
- 15.000 website update
- 17.000 for lunch/fika (500 per semester per institution)
- 7000 membit/unicore

Estimated total surplus end of year: 19.697

Formal decision to be taken at next meeting.

2. Working environment

Magnus raised the issue of poor working environments for many doctoral students, including noisy rooms without possibility to work undisturbed. Many work from home or at other places such as the library or a café.

Magnus will contact the faculty representatives to map the working environments for doctoral students. Alicia will email him the contact details of the representatives.

3. Working conditions

Marie raised the question of working conditions of doctoral students. It has been shown that some doctoral students spend considerable time of their free time for work. Also many do not have access to research environments.

Alicia will contact Christian to get access to results from the PhD questionnaire to get more information on working conditions.

4. Proposal of new positions of DSU

Proposal of new positions for the Board are as follows:

Magnus Gustafson – Board Member with focus on questions working environment issues

Michel Anerlini – Board member with focus on questions regarding internationalization. Michel will also be representative in the committee for global engagement.

Proposal of event coordinator (no position in board): Marika Hedemyr

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5. New faculty boards

All faculty boards now have doctoral representatives. However, it was a difficult task to find representatives through DSU. Alicia raises the question. There is a need for another way to send out information to the doctoral students as information/emails from DSU tends to receive no attention.

Alicia will raise the question during next KFU meeting to get ideas and proposals on how to proceed.

6. Maintaining relations

Meeting needs to be held with the vice counsellor in spring.

Alicia will email.

7. Quality of supervision

There is no formal requirement on follow up of the mandatory education for supervisors. According to the questionnaire done last year, doctoral students wished for a higher quality in supervision given. Few supervisors attend the follow up educations.

Alicia will raise the question in KFU.

8. “doktorandryggsäck”

Most faculties have a “doktorandryggsäck” consisting of 50.000kr for the doctoral students to use for courses, conferences etc. Some faculties also have the possibility to apply for more money. However, doctoral students at the faculty of odontology currently have no doktorandryggsäck. Also the externally financed doctoral students seem to have different possibility to receive this.

Angelica will raise the question in the university board.

9. Rights during work hours


Doctoral students have the right to go to the doctor and antenatal clinic during work hours, but it is unclear whether this time will be extended in the total time for the PhD. According to the union SULF it seems that it would be possible, but there is no way to register the visits in HR.

Marie will contact Christian Stråhlman to investigate this further.

10. Decisions for next DSU board meeting 29/4 -19

- Budget 2019
- New board members and event coordinator
- Activity plan

Signatories



Marie Nordström, Board Member



Angelica Wågby, Vice President