

Meeting minutes

Doctoral Student Union Board, Malmö
University
(DSU)

Date: 2021-04- 29

Location: Online (zoom)

Time: 14.00-15.30

Attendance:

Elsa Andersson, Carolina Robertsson, Roel Roscam Abbing, Sergei Dytckov, Juliana Holeksa

Opening the meeting.

Elsa is appointed chair of the meeting

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Roel is appointed adjustment person

Agenda

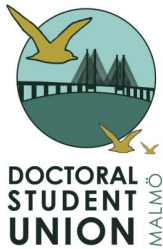
1§ Feedback and info:

- **Network meeting with the unions.** Elsa and Carolina joined a network meeting with the other student unions at Mau, the topic was mainly to get to know each other and discuss ways of collaboration. We decided to share our working plans/positioning documents, also to keep each other updated.
- **Studentstad Malmö,** Elsa met with Zeynep Erdal that is the student coordinator for “Studentstad malmö”. Their organization, works to politically improve the situation for students in Malmö, two of their main focuses are housing problems for students and career developments. Their main target groups are candidate- and master- students but since some issues for students are also issues for doctoral students, the DSU is welcome to join their meetings, if /when we think their topics concerns us.
- **SFS-DK.** Carolina and Elsa took part in SFS yearly council, Monday, Friday and Saturday last week. On Monday the DSU became voted in as full members in SFS. The rest of the meeting was a combination of discussion forums, debates and a process of voting for the determining their 2021 working plan.
- **MAU doctoral students international committee.** A first meeting has been held to draft up the goals, short term as well as long term for the international committee. The first planned activities are to arrange social gatherings with the international doctoral students to introduce the committee and to gather issues.

2§ Discussion topics:

- **One Canvas page for Mau PhD students?**

As a product of the need for a common source of information as well as the wish to increase the feeling of context/community that was highlighted in the PhD student surveys, KFU suggested to create one common Canvas page for all doctoral students registered at Mau. The DSU was asked to give input on this suggestion. Notes from our discussion below:



In our discussions several questions and suggestions came up:

- What's the purpose?
- Who will administer the page?

We approve if:

- it can function as a central place for information.
- its continuously updated,
- its easy to find things
- its really good administered

Risks:

- Maybe canvas isn't the best place to store information.

- **Ceremony week**

- Carolina is planning to run an online event during the academic ceremony week. It will be a mix of PhD students from all Faculties that present their research in short, as popularized "Lightning talks". The target audience is everyone; Staff, students and the public. We decided that the DSU supports this event.

- **DSU Prioritized goals / activity plan 2021**

- We started working with our prioritized goals 2021. The continuation of the first draft of the goals and our working process will continue in box, folder "Working documents" until the next meeting. The goals suggested at the meeting were: 1. Doctoral students ombudsman, 2. Information and communication, 3. Social events, 4. Collaboration between PhD students, 5. SFS collaboration/representation, 6. Updating the positioning documents, 7. Strengthening the equality in the research education

- **Collaboration with Malmö student union in writing a student input on the Mau self-evaluation of broadening recruitment and broadening participation.**

- It was decided that Elsa give feedback about the lack of inclusion of international PhD students and the language issues.

Signatories:

Elsa Andersson

Elsa Andersson, secretary

Roel Roscam Abbing