



**Date:** Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Time:** 1400 - 1600

**Place:** Zoom

**Participants:** Sherry Israel, Rebecca Borg, Anna Mammitzsch, Carl Tjernell, Hermela, Simon Froster Delbom, Tesfaye Woubshet Ayele, Giada Brighi, Leo Hansson Nilson, Kristine Dalby, and Sofia Warkander.

## Agenda

### 1. Open the meeting.

The meeting officially opened at 14:03.

### 2. Approve meeting agenda.

The meeting approved agenda.

### 3. Review of HFR's previous meeting minutes/protocol.

The meeting had no commentary on the previous meeting's protocol.

### 4. Information points

#### 4.1. Information on any pertinent, relevant, or interesting emails received by HFR

The council has not received any pertinent, relevant, or interesting email.

#### 4.2. Information from SUS

The next HFR meeting will be the annual meeting. Board positions and student representative positions for different faculty groups will be voted on. There will be no major changes to the amount of representative that HFR can elect to the different groups, with the exceptions of center for European Languages where we will now be able to vote for two representatives instead of two. It's good to know that if you would like to keep your position you need to nominate yourself again, preferably before the HFR meeting's date.

The HFR webpage on the SUS' website has been updated page with information about all the groups and also protocols have been uploaded.

There will be two new start-up meetings for two student councils at the Humanities Faculty. The first one is the English Department, and



after that, a start-up meeting for the student council at the department of Swedish and multilingualism.

Simon Froster Delbom, SUS president and CSR chair, held an informative presentation about student governance.

4.3. Central PhD council (CDR)

The student representative did not have anything to report.

4.4. Central Student council (CSR)

Because of the information CSR chair Simon Froster Delbom presented under point 4.2., nothing was added under this point.

4.5. Humanities Faculty Board

The student representatives are not in attendance.

4.6. Academic Appointment Board – Historical and Philosophical Subjects

The student representative's report included information about how the board interviewed three candidates for the position of assistant professor in practical philosophy and they agreed on one of the candidates as the strongest. The candidate they agreed on as the strongest was ranked lower by the experts who reviewed the candidates' applications, so the board discussed how to argue for their first choice.

4.7. Academic Appointment Board – Language Science Subjects

The student representatives are not in attendance.

4.8. Committee for Budgetary Management

The student representative is not in attendance.

4.9. Språkstudion Reference Group

The student representative is not in attendance.

4.10. Board for Education and Quality (HUGO)

The student representatives are not in attendance.

5. Discussion points

5.1. PhD student group

- There still seems to be some confusion regarding the PhD forum with students and the director of studies. Students would like more transparency regarding the purpose of the forums. HFR will bring this issue up to the Dean at their next upcoming meeting.
- The PhD student network hosted by SUS will start back up again next

year.

5.2. Masters and Bachelor's student group

- The Masters and Bachelor's group discussed the Studenthouse's opening hours and how the university should provide an option for students to study later in the evening and in the night on campus since a lot of students are not able to study in their homes.
- One discussion point from the HUGO group was whether the grading scale should be changed from seven levels to maybe four levels. One of the reasons why some teachers want it changed is because it takes a lot of time for teachers to determine which grade a student has earned. Some students feel like the current seven levels grading scale is preferable since it's standardized in Europe. The students also discussed what the difference is between passing and any specific grade, since employers don't usually look at that, whereas if you have studied law, it's important.
- The Masters and Bachelor's group also discussed what should be more important for the university to consider when hiring professors; research experience or teaching ability. The dangers in picking someone who is more interested in their research is that they are not going to spend as much time on their teaching job.

6. Decision points

6.1. HFR Annual meeting format (online or in person)

The meeting decided that we should have the annual meeting in-person.

7. Other questions

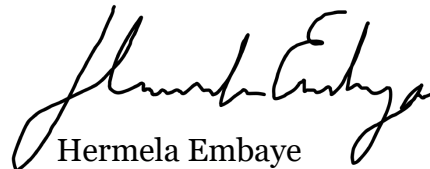
No other questions.

8. End of meeting

The meeting ended at 15:21.



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