



Centrala doktorandrådet (CDR) / *Central PhD Student Council* Meeting nr 6 2021

27^h of September 16:00-18:00

(Zoom meeting)

Present

Chair, Pascal Meier, (NFR)
Kate O´Ferrell (HFR)
Maryann Tan (HFR)
Daniel Astone (JMK)
Ali Mohammed (SFR)
Ole Johnny Fossås, representative REBUS

Jenny Wirén, Head of Student Advocacy and Governance, secretary of CDR
Elis Wibacke, President SUS

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened at 16:02

a. Election of verifier

Maryann Tan was elected.

b. Approval of agenda

Agenda is approved.

c. Co-option

No one is co-opted.

d. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes was approved.

e. Presentation of CDR members

All attendees gave a short presentation of them self.

2. Reports

a. University Board (*Pascal*)

The changes that have been made in the immigration laws were discussed. Several different players are active in this question. The university is also worried about how this will affect the many foreign PhD students that study at Stockholm University. It is a question that will affect the entire university. Pascal and Hari also attended a nationwide meeting by the doctoral committee in SFS where this question was discussed.

b. Humanities Faculty Council (*Kate, MaryAnn*)

There is a new chair in the Humanities Faculty Council and they are not looking for a vice chair. There is much frustration in how the decision on extensions due to the pandemic has been announced in some departments. Some departments do not notify their PhD students in time which creates a lot of worry and anxiety. This issue will be directed at the meeting with the Dean and at the Humanities Faculty Board meeting.

c. Social Sciences Faculty Council (*Ali, Allison*)

The faculty council had a meeting last week where the major discussion was on the immigration laws and on how this will affect PhD students.

d. Law Faculty Council (*Daniel*)

The issue of extensions due to the pandemic have been discussed. The faculty will only grant extension on very specific reasons, if not they will not give any kind of extension. Also discussed the questions of immigration laws.

e. Natural Science Faculty Council (*Hari*)

No reports.

f. Student Union SUS (*Jenny/Elis*)

The ombud at SUS office has started looking into the department regulations on extensions for doctor students' appointments. It seems like it differs from department to department and some departments have no regulation on this. Instead it is up to the prefect to decide which can be well into the PhD students four years.

The central RALV met last week. There are still two vacant positions for PhD student representatives. One aim for this council is to coordinate what the different RALV-council on the department levels are doing.

g. Others reports

i. REBUS (Ole)

REBUS has had a couple of meetings since the last CDR meeting. One issue that has been discussed is how the University will work on issues that have come up due to the covid pandemic. They will discuss the issue of the immigration law changes during the next meeting.

ii. ON (Amanda)

No reports.

iii. BUF (Sebastian)

No reports.

iv. CEUL (Sebastian)

No reports.

v. CIVIS (Filippo)

No reports.

3. Decision on Focus area for CDR HS2021

During this semester CDR's focus area will be on Pandemic related extensions for PhD students.

4. Change of migration laws and activities of CDR

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5. Nomination CDR representatives

a. Stockholm Trio Research Education Working Group

i. 1 ordinary member

Fariba Majlesi is elected as the ordinary member.

6. Discussion of issues raised by local PhD councils

An upcoming Career day with PhD students has been discussed and more precisely how the PhD student council would like the career days to also focus on how you can make a career in academia.

7. Decision on future meetings

A discussion was held on how upcoming meetings will be held. CDR decided that they will try a hybrid solution where you can be present on campus and join through Zoom. The meetings will be held in Kårsalen in Studenthuset and at least the chair and someone from SUS office will be present.

8. Sum-up and Delegating of discussion points

The focus area is on pandemic related issues.

Task towards the members of CDR: Raise the question on what is the pressing issue in your department in relation to covid during your next meeting with the faculty council. This will be brought up during the next CDR-meeting.

9. Other issues

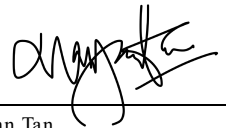
No other issues were discussed.

10. Closing of the meeting

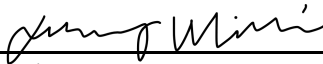
The meeting was closed at 17:15

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Pascal Meier
Chair

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Maryann Tan
Verifier

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Jenny Wirén
Secretary