



Date: Thursday, 8th December 2022

Time: 1400 - 1600

Place: Kårsalen

Attendees: Sherry Israel, Magnus Ahltop, Torbjörn Rolandsson (PhD), Magnus Ahltop, Tinna Valgeirsdottir, Natalia Kalyva, Rebecka Borg (PhD), Giadia Brighi (PhD), Mona Rahgoza, Carl Tjenell

Agenda

1. Open the meeting.
 - Meeting officially started at 14:05.
2. Assign adjuster.
 - Torbjörn was elected as the adjuster
3. Approve meeting agenda.
 - The agenda for the meeting was approved.
4. Review of HFR's previous meeting minutes/protocol.
No modifications for the previous protocol.
5. Information points
 - 5.1. Information on any pertinent, relevant, or interesting emails received by HFR
None
 - 5.2. Information from SUS
 - New application period for project funding, first half of spring semester (all councils, PhD and students). There are six different categories which can be found on SUS 's website. The deadline for project funding is on the 8th of January but if one applies before the 15th December, one would it get approval early. If not, applications would go through on the 8th of Jan.
 - There will be information meeting on 12/12 at 1500 at Kårsalen.
 - Lists of groups open to student representatives is updated on the SUS website. All changes have been notified to the councils. The list also includes information on which groups are open to non-Swedish speakers. As of now, 50% science faculty, 33% social sciences and 16% in humanities are open to non-Swedish speakers. Noticeably, the Faculty of Humanities is quite behind compared to the other faculties.
 - 5.3. Information from the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities



- The post-defence debriefing has gotten an interested response from the Dean. This will be discussed with the Director of Studies.
- With regards to the extending the hours for the library and Studenthuset, there are budgetary issues and there is a need to balance between money for teaching purposes and security as the university received 35 000 SEK per student.
- The Athena exam issues are being worked on.
- Regarding increasing the availability of course textbooks on the library, there needs to be a balancing act as the university has to pay for the licenses of the books.
- There is new equipment in the Söderhuset building. There can be increase access to bigger lecture halls/seminar rooms if classes can be held earlier in the morning or later in the evening.

5.3.1. Item to discuss or clarify at the next meeting with the Dean.

- Some clarifications for questions posed during the PhD discussion group.

5.4. Central PhD council (CDR)

- Student representative was not present.

5.5. Central Student council (CSR)

- There was no CSR meeting since the last HFR meeting.

5.6. Humanities Faculty Board

- There is a concern regarding programs where the title of the program does not actually match the outcome of the program. For example, sign language and interpretation lead into degree in translation.

5.7. Academic Appointment Board – Historical and Philosophical Subjects

- There was no meeting since the last HFR meeting.

5.8. Academic Appointment Board – Language Science Subjects

- There was no meeting since the last HFR meeting.

5.9. Committee for Budgetary Management

- The student representative was not present.

5.10. Språkstudion Reference Group

- The student representative was not present.

5.11. Board for Education and Quality (HUGO)

- The student representative was not present.



6. Decision points

6.1. HFR Board positions

6.1.1. Chairperson

- Sherry Israel has been elected as chairperson.

6.1.2. Vice-chairperson

- Hermela Embaye has been elected as vice-chairperson.

6.1.3. Secretary

- No nominations were received and no one was elected.

6.1.4. Treasurer

- No nominations were received and no one was elected.

6.2. Humanities Faculty Board (HFN) - [Swedish, 2 ordinary, 1 PhD, 1 suppliant]

- Magnus was elected as the student representative.

6.3. Board for Education and Quality (HUGO) - [Swedish, 2 ordinary, 1 PhD & supliants]

- Mohammed AlHarky was elected as the student representative.

6.4. Academic Appointment Board – Historical and Philosophical Subjects - [Swedish, 1 ordinary/PhD & supliants]

- Torbjorn was elected as the student representative.

6.5. Academic Appointment Board – Language Science Subjects - [Swedish, 1 ordinary/PhD & supliants]

- Magnus was elected as the student representative.

6.6. Committee for Budgetary Management - [Swedish, 3 ordinary/PhD & supliants]

- Since, Karl Lysen (PhD) was elected in October, he will remain the student representative for 2022/2023.

6.7. Språkstudion Reference Group [Swedish, 3 ordinary/PhD & supliants]

- Since, Tina was elected recently, she will remain the student representative for 2022/2023.

6.8. Stipendiaenämnden [Swedish, 2 ordinary/PhD & supliants]

- Natalia Kalyva was elected as the student representative.

6.9. Centre for Indo-European Languages and Cultural Studies [Swedish, 2 PhD]

- No nominations were received, and no one was elected.

6.10. Central Student Council (CSR) [Swedish/English, 2 ordinary & 2 supplants]

- Natalia Kalyva and Sherry Israel were elected as student representatives.

6.11. Central PhD Council (CDR) - [English 2 PhD & 2 supplants]

- Since, Sofia was elected recently, she will remain a student representative for the 2022/2023 period. Rebecca Borg was elected as a student representative during the meeting while Giada was elected as a supplant.

7. Discussion points

7.1. PhD student group

- There has been some confusion regarding the PhD forum. It should be renamed to PhD dialogue instead. This will be brought up during the next dialogue on 8/2.
- Is there an overview of how many PhD students are in each department in the faculty?
- There will be a mentor program launched in February with 10 spots available. Is it the 10 spots for the entire university or the Faculty of Humanities. If it is 10 spots for the entire university, the students feel it is too competitive.
- Course evaluation for PhD programs should be standardised and anonymised.

7.2. Masters and Bachelor's student group

- Discussion on the status on the student councils are working, even if attendance is lower than before.
- In terms of the program names clashing with the actual outcome; this has not been experienced widely but could potentially clash.
- Online teaching, it is not clear from the university when something can be online or not. Some course plans leave this open ended, so for students this is unclear and created unnecessary insecurity to students. It is also not specified to a standardized level which could be elaborated further to create guidelines on what the departments can and cannot do.
- Some clashing times clashing with holiday times creating some inequality among students as not everyone has family located in Stockholm.

8. Other questions

- No other questions

9. End of meeting

- The meeting ended at 15:41.



Sherry

Sherry Deborah Israel
Chairperson HFR

Rebecca Borg

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Secretary for 8/12 meeting

Torbjörn Rolandsson
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Adjuster