



# Minutes from the Central PhD council (CDR)

## Meeting nr 1, 2020

Tuesday 4th of ~~January~~, 10:00-12:00, Nobelrummet, Studenthuset,

FEBRUARY

### Present

Anna Horn, (Law faculty) law department

Conrad Bakka, (Humanities faculty), philosophy department

Hari Nair, (Natural science faculty), Environmental science

Rebecca Bengtsson, (Social science faculty), Psychology department

Jonas Eklund, PhD student ombudsman, secretary of CDR

### § 1. Formalities

#### a. Opening of meeting

The meeting was declared open at 10:10 pm.

#### b. Election of chairperson for the meeting

Anna, was elected chairperson of the meeting.

#### c. Election of verifier

Rebecca, was elected, together with the chairperson of the meeting, to verify the minutes.

#### d. Co-option

No co-option.

#### e. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved with an amendment of a discussion point on Phd Student collaboration.

#### f. Previous minutes



The approval of the previous minutes was postponed until next meeting.

## **§ 2. Reports**

### **a. University board**

No report.

### **b. Humanities Faculty Council (HFR)**

Conrad informs about the annual meeting that was held on December 12th. The former Chair got re-elected, and a new vice Chair was elected. Most positions at the faculty level were filled.

At HFR there is an ongoing project on re-organizing the council to make it work better.

### **c. Social Sciences Faculty Council (SFR)**

No report, and Rebecca is not in SFR at the moment.

### **d. Law Faculty Council (JFR)**

Anna informed that JFR elect their representatives every spring, for the following year.

One issue that is being discussed is how the teaching time is counted at the department. At the moment the system is complicated and difficult to grasp, and the PhD students have a hard time knowing how much teaching they have done, and have left. For comparison the department in Uppsala lets the PhD students keep track of their own teaching hours. How to calculate prolongation also seem to differ between the departments and it is hard to find a proper explanation for how this is calculated.

### **e. Natural Science Faculty Council (NFR)**

Hari informed from the last meeting. Former chair of CDR Pil was elected new chair of NFR. At the faculty level most positions are filled. And there was also a discussions in relation to the election of a new dean at the faculty.



**f. The Student Union (SUS)**

Jonas informs on the handbook project that is going on.

**g. The Swedish National Union of Students Doctoral Committee (SFS-DK)**

No report. Jonas will look into who is our representative, and when the election is taking place.

**h. Others**

No reports.

**§ 3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair of CDR**

**a. Election of Chair**

The election was postponed.

**b. Election of Vice Chair**

2. The election was postponed.

**§ 4. Nominations**

**a. Nominations for the University Board**

**i. Nominations of ordinary representative**

**ii. Nomination of supplementary representative**

The election was postponed.

**b. Vacant position**

Still vacant positions in ON, BUF, RALV, Hörande församling, Ethics.

**§ 5. CDR rules and procedures**

Nothing to add.

**§ 6. CDR annual plan**

The upcoming plan for 2020 needs to be further discussed, and well anchored with chair and vice chair.



A newsletter should be sent out after the chair and vice chair is elected.

Potential focus areas and earlier discussions in CDR was brought up. The situation for stipend PhD students, changes because of Brexit, and the migration situation for international PhD students.

## **§ 7. Discussion on issues raised by local PhD councils**

Nothing to discuss.

## **§ 8. Next meeting**

A doodle will be sent out for next meeting that is planned for end of February and March. Preferably a meeting over lunch, and no more than 2 hours.

## **§ 9. Miscellaneous**

### **a) Situation for stipend students**

Nothing specific was discussed. It is still to be decided whether this will be the focus for the semester.

### **b) Stockholm Collective PhD students**

Pil is attending the meeting and will provide an update.

## **§ 10. Closing of the meeting**

The meeting was closed at 11:28 pm.



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Chair of meeting

Anna Horn

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Secretary

Jonas Eklund

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Verifier

Rebecca Bengtsson

