



Samenvatting van de 179^e Overlegvergadering tussen de Centrale Studentenraad en het College van Bestuur gehouden op 3 september 2019

Van de zijde van de CSR 2018-2019: Jamie van den Berg (from 14:42), Sofie ten Brink (from 15:13), Casper Colenbrander (until 14:46), Alex Gritsay (from 14:36), David Nelck (until 14:46), Omar Seleim, Ivanna Slipets, Malou Sprinkhuizen, Roeland Voorbergen;

Afwezig: Kseniia Golub, Michele Murgia, Sujet Hashemi Shams, Blink Ujjin, Liesanne van Veen;

Van de zijde van de CSR 2019-2020: Luca Babovic, Roos Creyghton, Artem Gryshchenko (until 14:46), Pjotr van der Jagt, Alicja Kepka, Ömür Güven Kirli, Maya Moreno (until 14:46), Daniëlle de Nobel, June Ouwehand, Pelle Padmos (until 14:46), Saachi Samani, Hahae Son;

Afwezig: Anna de Koning, Mariia Lisova;

Van de zijde van het College van Bestuur: Karen Maex (rector magnificus), Geert ten Dam (president CvB, from 14:05), Mariska Herweijer (bestuurssecretaris), Iris Kingma (central student assessor),

Gast: Frank Zuidam (Academic Affairs, 15:21-15:44);

Technisch voorzitter: Mees van Rees

Verlag: Tamara van den Berg (ambtelijk secretaris CSR)

Publieke tribune: 3 members of the FSR-FMG (until 14:45)

Conceptagenda

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13. **Rondvraag en sluiting** // Questions and closing the meeting

1. Opening (14:02uur) and setting the agenda

The technical chair opens the meeting and welcomes all participants. The new CSR council members briefly introduce themselves.

5 **2. Setting the concept minutes**

Setting the concept minutes is postponed until the next meeting. The CvB will provide their textual corrections later this week.

4. Checking the action list

Action point 190711-01 This information is not yet available.

10 *Action point 190619-08* Maex gives a short update about the extra week of holiday. Before the summer, the UCO discussed the implementation and advised positively. GALOP is looking into the practical aspects for the holiday week to be implemented from 2020-2021 onward.

15 *Action point 190619-09* Voorbergen received the most important documents on language policy and internationalization from Anouk Tso after briefly discussing the need for the CSR to receive these. A technical meeting for the CSR to discuss all files related to internationalisation will be organized by the CvB. **(action)**

-- Ten Dam enters the meeting at 14:05. --

20 *Action point 190919-09* Ten Dam shortly explains the assignment for the recently initiated taskforce and says that the academic community can expect to hear more from the taskforce during the upcoming year.

Pro memorie point 180904-01 The meeting participants take notice of this point.

5. Announcements

Announcements from the CSR:

- 25 • *The absentees and people leaving early are listed.*
• Voorbergen thanks the CvB for their response to the CSR's unsolicited advice about the Enrolment Provisions and the Institutional Tuition Fees.

Announcements from the CvB:

- 30 • Yesterday, the Opening of the Academic Year took place. The CvB looks back on this event positively and is interested to hear the CSR's experience.
• The hiring procedure for appointing a Student Assessor 2020 will be started at the beginning of October 2019.
• Ten Dam thanks the CSR for consenting to the instalment of the function of Ombudsperson.
35 The COR also gave their consent. The CvB is currently looking for someone to fill the interim position and aims to find a candidate before mid-September.

5. Sustainability: Travel Policy

40 Moreno explains that, in order to address the concerns that the CvB's noted in their written response, the CSR gathered data for setting up a Green list in the UvA's Travel Policy. The CSR considered travelling time and prices for different modes of transportations within a range of 3 hours from Amsterdam. Extra costs, such as for travelling from the airport to the city centre, are also taken into account. It turned out that bus travel was the cheapest alternative, although more time-consuming. Based on this, Moreno asks the CvB to consider what is considered more important: reducing co2 emissions or limiting the time spent travelling.

45 Maex thanks the CSR for doing this research and stresses that the CvB supports considering
different modes of transportation. The CvB is committed to travelling by train as much as
possible and reasonable; this will be included in sustainability policy document. As not all
meeting participants are sure whether the travel policy is indeed included in the Green Paper,
the CvB will check if this is the case. **(action)** Herweijer notes that the travel Green Paper will be
50 finished within a month and will be discussed during OV191015.

Voorbergen asks why the CvB doesn't agree to implement a Green List since the CSR's
research pointed out that this will not pose a large extra burden on staff. Maex explains that the
CvB does not want to enforce a travel policy but make mutual agreements about the mode of
transportation based on consensus between the UvA and employees. Moreno suggests making a
55 compromise and setting the Green List travel at 4 hours. Voorbergen suggests only reimbursing
travel costs for train tickets in cases where train and plane travel take the same amount of time.
The CvB stresses that this needs further discussion within the university, for example when
setting the Strategic Plan and renewing the current travel contracts. Moreover, a Green Paper on
sustainability will be published. After these steps are taken, the Green List and its specifics can
60 be considered. The CvB stresses that the goal of sustainable travel is shared within CvB.
However, the international context in which researchers and teachers work should carefully be
taken into account.

6. Honours

Sprinkhuizen thanks the CvB for their written response to the CSR's letter of advice.
65 Sprinkhuizen notes that despite the fact that quality assurance is formally arranged, in practice
the OC of beta-gamma does not evaluate the honours; this is left to an evaluation committee that
has no formal rights or mandate to demand improvement. The CSR asks to grant this evaluation
committee a formal mandate to evaluate the honours courses (in a similar way that the AUC
quality assurance is arranged) and to give the students who take honours courses a say in the
70 quality control of their education. Sprinkhuizen adds that the OC of beta-gamma is not
interested in taking up their formal role.

Maex stresses that the formal responsibility, based on the OER, lies with the OC of beta-
gamma. Any issues with the functioning of the OC need to be researched and solved. Before
changing this structure, the CvB will check with Van Tienderen how the organization of quality
75 assurance by the OC can be improved.

Kirli notes that honours courses should be considered as additional, extra satisfying forms
of education. However, the FGw is also facing problems with quality assurance; more specific
direction is needed for programs to provide a real opportunity of additional, challenging
education. Kirli asks whether the CvB would be interested in receiving advice from CSR on this
80 point on how to involve the *medezeggenschap* in a discussion on the improving of honours
course and an evaluation on the system of honours courses. Maex will await the work of Van
Tienderen and notes that the CSR can always be included in these talks if they have suggestions.

-- Alex Gritsay enters the meeting at 14:36. --

7. 24/7 University Library

85 The CvB looked into the costs for opening the UB Singel 24/7. For extending the opening
hours 10 months the estimated costs are €125.000,- per year. This was not accounted for in the

UvA's 2019 budget. The details for this calculation are not available but can be checked with Robin van Schijndel. The CSR 19-20 will discuss how to follow up.

8. Decentral Selection

90 The CSR advised negatively on the *numerus fixus* for Economics & Business Economics unless the international promotion was stopped. This has been discussed with the CvB and with the dean of the FEB and the CSR was granted insight into the recruitment strategies. Maex explains that there is a specific form of recruitment happening that targets 4 countries specifically. It was discussed with the dean that only a moderate number of students is expected
95 to register based on this recruitment. Therefore, the CvB decided to request approval for setting the *numerus fixus* from OCW. The FEB will decide at the end of September whether the requested *numerus fixus* will indeed be installed.

-- Jamie van den Berg enters the meeting at 14:42. --

100 Voorbergen notes that not only agents are being used but that different forms of international promotion are in place. The growth of the program might very well be strengthened by these promotional efforts.

The CvB will await whether the FEB will install the *numerus fixus* at the end of the month. For the upcoming year, a fundamental discussion on *numerus fixus* will be organized.

105 -- Casper Colenbrander, Artem Gryshchenko, Maya Moreno, David Nelck, and Pelle Padmos leave the meeting at 14:46. --

9. UvA Annual report and Financial Statements 2018

110 The CvB gives a short indication of what stands out most in the UvA Annual report 2018: the link between research & education, strengthening Artificial Intelligence, internationalization & language policy, the quality agreements, the ITK, and digitalization & open research and open data.

The CSR and CvB engage in an informal discussion on the Van Rijn report and WOinActie.

-- Sofie ten Brink enters the meeting at 15:13. --

10. Education Vision

■ Frank Zuijdam is present for this agenda point.

115 Zuijdam explains that the new vision and strategy on education will serve as building blocks for revising the Strategic Plan. A preliminary discussion on the Education Vision was held in the UCO, in which 2 CSR members participated. During the upcoming months, input will be gathered through denkmee.uva.nl and roundtables will be organized at the faculties afterwards. The CSR's letter of advice on the content of the Education Vision ('Vision on
120 Teaching & Learning') will be incorporated in the discussion and in making choices on the educational focus points in spring 2020.

125 The CSR and Zuijdam discuss whether the themes discussed in the UCO are already fixed. The CSR finds it important that the questions framed are thoroughly considered in order to allow different input and visions to be addressed in the discussion. Zuijdam stresses that the UCO is addressing themes that are societally relevant (such as internationalization and

digitalization) in order to find out how the UvA should act in response to these societal developments. The faculties are asked to prepare discussion points and questions for the faculty roundtables based on these themes. The CvB agrees that the Education Vision should be created from the heart of the UvA in order to have an in-depth discussion.

130 Upon request of the CSR, the CvB will stress the importance of asking open questions and organizing an open discussion on the UvA's Education Vision to the TLC's and the deans. **(action)** The letter of the CSR will be forwarded to them as well.

11. Transfer CSR 18-19 & CSR 19-20

135 Looking back on the past year, Voorbergen recalls how he addressed the complexity in backgrounds and ideas of all CSR members. The CSR came closer together throughout the year and their differences have only enriched the council. Voorbergen stresses the importance of an honest relationship within the CSR and with the CvB, as this allows for setting and achieving shared goals, thoroughly discussing arguments and delving into the content. Voorbergen wishes the new CSR and CvB good luck on working together and thanks them for the collaboration during the last year.

140 Maex stresses that the CSR worked hard and touched upon many topics within the university, which the CvB admires and values. Although it takes time to figure out goals the council did manage to set a list of 6 shared goals from which many things were achieved. Maex stresses the importance of remaining a bilingual university and leaving room for speaking Dutch as well. Maex thanks the CSR for the informal and deep conversations and their confidence and respect in the collaboration and all their contributions.

150 Van der Jagt states that the CSR has learned a lot during the past two weeks of training. Although there are very clear differences between all CSR members, this will serve as a good basis for fruitful discussions as long as all CSR members listen to each other and use their differences to jointly improve the university.

12. Any other business

None.

13. Questions

None.

155 14. End of the meeting (16.02 hour)

The technical chair closes the meeting and thanks all participants for their contribution.

Actielijst OV

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| 190903-01 | The CvB organizes a technical meeting for the CSR to discuss all files related to internationalization. |
| 160 190903-02 | The CvB checks whether the Travel Policy will be included in the Sustainability Green Paper. |
| 190903-03 | The CvB will contact FNWI to ensure that the OC of beta gamma is aware of its role in quality assurance of honours courses and furthermore will liaise with the dean of the faculty to organize a meeting between him and the CSR to discuss improving the system of honours education. |
| 165 190903-04 | The CvB stresses the importance of asking open questions and organizing an open discussion on the UvA's Education Vision to the TLC's and the deans. |

- 170 190711-01 *Het CvB vraagt JZ om na te gaan wat er wettelijk vastgelegd is in de WHW aangaande de rechten van facultaire raden bij de voorbereiding en vaststelling van het facultaire Instellingsplan.*
- ~~190619-02 Following the minutes of OV190507, the CvB organizes a meeting with the CSR to discuss the formal rights of the decentral medezeggenschap in the process of setting the Strategic Plan 2021-2026.~~
- 175 ~~190619-03 The CvB provides the CSR an intermediate document about Sustainability (including an updated timeline, recent findings, and current practices) before the summer.~~
- 190619-05 The CvB considers checking alternative calculations to the Nibud's indication for the maximum amount of costs for study materials, as noted in the Student Charter.
- 180 ~~190619-06 The CvB considers the financial consequences and pros/cons for extending the University Library opening hours to 24/7.~~
- ~~190619-07 The CvB checks whether the quality assurance of all honours courses and programs are registered in the OER of specific programs.~~
- 190619-08 The CvB informs the CSR before the summer about the updated plans for setting up an extra week of holidays during the second semester.
- 185 ~~190619-09 The CvB provides the CSR a written overview of the status and progress of all the files regarding Internationalisation and the incorporation of the CSR's recommendations in this.~~
- 190 190507-02 The CvB keeps the CSR informed about the progress of the working group Social Safety, which is working on improving the system of Confidential Advisors and social safety at the UvA.

Pro memorie

- 190619-01 The CvB pays close attention to the involvement of PhD's when getting input from the academic community.
- 195 181127-02 The CvB keeps the CSR updated about the steps that are taken with regard to (alternatives to) the NSE.
- 180904-01 The CvB emphasizes the importance of incorporating the input of the medezeggenschap while preparing for the annual talks with the deans.
- 140604-01 *Het College geeft indien van toepassing de CSR een update ten aanzien van de samenwerkingsplannen met andere instellingen of instituten.*
- 200 100907-02 *Het CvB zal de capaciteit van fietsenplekken, studieplekken en ruimtes voor studieverenigingen tijdens het realiseren van de nieuwbouw en verhuizingen scherp in de gaten houden en ingrijpen wanneer een tekort ontstaat.*

Voor het komende artikel24-overleg:

- 205 130610-01 *Het College voorziet de CSR van een halfjaarlijkse tijdsplanning voor adviesmomenten.*
- 130123-07 *Er zal duidelijk worden stilgestaan bij (mondelijke) toezeggingen van het College, zodat er geen onnodige schriftelijke reacties hoeven te worden gegeven, maar de toezeggingen wel helder worden genotuleerd.*
- 210 130123-08 *Indien de CSR vraagt om een motivatie voor vertrouwelijkheid van een stuk, zal het College het stuk daarvan voorzien.*
- 130123-09 *De contactpersoon van de medezeggenschap kan ook worden benaderd voor vragen en het verstrekken van informatie aan de FSR'en.*