



**Conceptsamenvatting van de 188^e Overlegvergadering
tussen de Centrale Studentenraad en het College van Bestuur
gehouden op 17 november 2020**

Van de zijde van de CSR 2020-2021: Nina Hol, Ivan Mušo, Elias Hidoussi, Evelyn Pomasqui, David Steenmeijer, Julia Nguyen, Tijmen Dietvorst, Kaleem Ullah, Assamaul Saidi, Daan Rademaekers, Chimira Obiefule en Taimoor Baig.

Afwezig: Evrim Hotamis, Sofiya Koba;

Gast:

Van de zijde van het College van Bestuur: Geert ten Dam (president CvB), Karen Maex (rector magnificus), Mariska Herweijer (bestuurssecretaris);

Afwezig:

Gast:

Technisch voorzitter: Mees van Rees;

Verslag: Olav Abbring (ambtelijk secretaris CSR);

Publieke tribune: Rijk van Beek (student assessor). Fas de Koning, Marie-Claire Dijkman, Juliette.

Conceptagenda

1. **Opening en vaststellen agenda** // Opening and setting the agenda
2. **Vaststellen van de conceptverslagen** // Setting the concept minutes
3. **Doornemen actielijst** // Checking the action list
4. **Mededelingen** // Announcements
5. **Corona gerelateerde vragen** // Corona related questions
6. **Functie beperkingen** // Functional limitations
7. **W.v.t.t.k.** // Any other business
8. **Rondvraag en sluiting** // Questions and closing the meeting
9. **Informeel bespreking sociale veiligheid** // Informal discussion social safety

1. Opening (14:32uur) and setting the agenda

- 5 The technical chair opens the meeting and welcomes all participants.
The agenda is set without changes.

2. Setting the concept minutes

The minutes of the OV of the 9th of October 2020 have been set without changes.

3. Checking the action list

- 10 *The action list was checked. See the attachment.*
The item 200901-02 is discussed.

15 **200901-02** It is announced that *Juridische Zaken* will welcome input from the CSR on their review on the procedure on the complaints committee regarding social safety. This process will probably not involve initiating a working group.

4. Announcements



Announcements from the CvB:

- No announcements.

Announcements from the CSR:

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- No announcements.

5. Corona related issues

BSA

Dietvorst asks what the current projected plan is regarding the upholding the BSA. Maex states that the discussion about upholding the BSA was conducted on a national level with all
25 universities. The conclusion was that there is no pressing reason to abolish the BSA currently. The currently available data on study success do not indicate a big change due to corona. Moreover, the BSA can help preventing study delay which is in the interest of students. However, the amount of EC needed for a positive BSA can be altered if circumstances require it ;
30 this is determined by the faculties. Also, on a faculty level there are still possibilities to bypass the BSA for individuals in extraordinary circumstances. Maex states that the CvB will stay involved with the national conversation on the BSA. The CvB will inform the CSR, in the new year on the development of the national discussion regarding the BSA **[action]**.

Zachte knip

Dietvorst informs the CvB that the CSR received a message from a student asking if the UvA will
35 also apply the 'zachte knip' for next academic year. Maex states that the 'zachte knip' for this academic year has not been discussed yet. Dietvorst stresses the importance for students and asks if it can be discussed. Maex understands the wish for clarification from students, but explains that at this moment, based on the available data there was no reason to take a decision regarding the 'zachte knip'. However, Ten Dam states that the CvB can ask other universities if
40 the discussion on the 'zachte knip' also takes place at their universities.

Dietvorst asks if the CvB can inform the students on the discussion regarding the 'zachte knip', even if it won't be applied. Dietvorst would also like to receive more information on why the 'zachte knip' is a national affair. Maex explains that if a student wants to do a Master program at a different university it would create a complicated situation if the UvA allows a 'zachte knip',
45 while other universities do not.

Ten Dam notes that there are two members of the CSR in the institutional research working group. The data regarding study success can be discussed in that working group. The CvB will communicate to the students of the UvA in a timely fashion if the UvA will apply a 'zachte knip' for the next academic year **[action]**. The CvB will inform the CSR if other universities are
50 discussing implementing a 'zachte knip' for the application procedure for the coming academic year **[action]**.

Facilities

Hol asks if progress has been made with the efficient use of UvA buildings. Maex states that 240
55 extra study spaces are made available for students. It has been communicated that during the second semester the UvA will strive for at least 1 face to face contact hour a week for every student, provided the government regulations allow this. The implementation of this plan is currently being discussed with the deans. More hybrid forms of education are also being considered.

60 Employees of the Teaching & Learning Center would like to contact the CSR to discuss studying during corona time. Herweijer will bring the CSR in contact with the Teaching & Learning Centre of the UvA [action]. Ten Dam adds that the CvB is doing its best to make the UvA more accessible, but it should be kept in mind that the access of the UvA also depends on the possibilities and limitations of public transport. The CvB is in contact with these parties to represent the university's interest.

65 **6. Functional limitations**

Dietvorst asks if the CvB is aware to what extent COVID-19 affects students with functional limitations. Maex states that gathering information on this is difficult and asks if these students have reached out to the CSR. Saidi informs that the CSR has had contact with students and that they are indeed affected. Ten Dam explains that there is a policy document, 'Beleid voor
70 Personen met een functiebeperking, een chronische ziekte of een arbeidsbeperking, HvA en UvA' with the goal to create more accessibility. This document has recently been shared with the CSR. It is implemented currently both centrally and within faculties and departments. The board will ask faculties to look out especially for these students. The decentral crisis teams will communicate to students with functional limitations that they can reach out to the faculties if
75 they need added services to study during COVID-19.

Dietvorst asks if the quality of the support of studying with functional limitations is being evaluated in the absence of the 'Nationale Studenten Enquête'? Ten Dam states that the staff members who are involved with supporting studying with functional limitations are extra focused on the facilities that students need during COVID-19. But there is no clear overview on if
80 extra facilities are needed. Maex states that this topic can be discussed during the next meeting with the deans. It needs to be clarified what department can be contacted within the faculty if support is needed. Dietvorst is content with the CvB's approach to facilitate students with special educational needs. The CSR will look into how information can be gathered on studying with functional limitations, during and outside of COVID-19 [action].

85 Saidi asks what the university's policy is regarding accessibility for students with functional limitations concerning the digital learning environment and the website? Maex notes that there is a full program on this, 'Drempelvrije informatievoorziening voor studenten'.

Dietvorst states that the CSR is aware that the vacancy for the SIV ('Stafadviseur integrale veiligheid') has been published and asks when the CvB expects a new SIV to be appointed. Maex
90 replies that depending on the availability of the new SIV it might be early 2021. Once someone is appointed there will be an introductory meeting with the CSR. Dietvorst asks why the request from the CSR to have a seat in the application committee for the SIV was not answered. Maex explains that because the CSR has no formal rights regarding the hiring of staff members the CSR has not been actively involved in this process.

95 Saidi asks why the "functional limitations/accessibility" file is shared between the CDO and the SIV? Maex explains that the CDO has no executive responsibilities for this theme, but strives for inclusion and equal treatment in general. The SIV is responsible for the implementation of central policy for students with functional disabilities. Dietvorst asks why there is no disability adviser employed at the UvA. Ten Dam understands the councils request for more transparency
100 on this theme, but so far the existing governance has worked well. Dietvorst adds that the CSR understood from the Student Disability Platform that there is unclarity among students on

where, apart from the CDO they can get funds for events and would like to see a transparent elaboration of this process. The CvB will put the CSR in contact with the current ad interim SIV of the UvA **[action]**.

105 Hol asks if there is policy regarding toilet use during proctored exams for people with functional limitations. The CvB currently doesn't know the specifics of this situation. The CvB will inform the CSR on the current bathroom break regulations during proctored exams **[action]**.

Saidi leaves the meeting

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7. Any other business

There is no other business to discuss.

8. Questions

Hol asks what the current situation is regarding the function profile for the ombudsperson. Ten Dam states that the CvB waited for the report of the external investigation committee which included some recommendations for the ombudsperson. Also, the CvB waited for the national framework for ombudspersons at all universities. The CvB is currently in the process of refining the profile of the ombudsperson of the UvA. The plan is to send the profile to the CSR (and COR) before Christmas. The CSR has a right of consent on the profile. Ten Dam adds that the CvB is considering involving the medezeggenschap in the application procedure. Hol concludes that if the new Ombudsperson is projected to start in January, but the profile is not definite yet, this deadline will not be reached. Ten Dam explains that the expected process is that the profile will be send before Christmas, the CSR will have 6 weeks to react. After that the appointment procedure will start. This will result in either the appointment of the ad-interim ombudsperson being extended or there will be a period without an ombudsperson. The CvB would like to make the decision on the procedure in close contact with the CSR and the COR.

Muso leaves the meeting

130 Hol asks if there is any progress regarding the central ethical committee. The consensus during last OV was to look into the central ethical committee, but there has not been any update. Maex explains that a discussion is taking place with all major discussion groups at the UvA about possible guidelines for research collaborations external parties. One of the ideas is to have the central ethical committee involved in defining some of these guidelines. This topic will also be discussed in the University Forum in December.

135 Pomasqui notes that not all students are aware of the available facilities that the UvA offers during the COVID-19. She asks if the CvB can provide an overview of what facilities the UvA can offer. The CSR would like to communicate this to the students. Pomasqui informs the CvB that the CSR's social media channel can also be used for communicating new information to students.

140 Herweijer informs the CSR that normally the student charter is reviewed yearly, but due to the effects of COVID-19 this has not yet happened. Juridische Zaken plans to extend the current charter and start up a working group to review the document early next year. Herweijer asks if the CSR agrees with this course of action. Hol confirms that the CSR will consider this.

9. End of the meeting (14.51 hour)

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

145 Actielijst OV

- 201117-01 The CvB will inform the CSR, in the new year on the development of the national discussion regarding the BSA.
- 201117-02 The CvB will communicate to the students of the UvA in a timely fashion if the UvA will apply a 'zachte knip' for the next academic year.
- 150 201117-03 The CvB will inform the CSR if other universities are discussing implementing a 'zachte knip' for the application procedure for the coming academic year.
- 201117-04 Herweijer will bring the CSR in contact with the Teaching & Learning Centre of the UvA.
- 201117-05 The CvB will put the CSR in contact with the current ad interim SIV of the UvA.
- 155 201117-06 The CvB will inform the CSR on the current bathroom break regulations during proctored exams.
- ~~200901-02 The CvB will asks Juridische Zaken if the CSR (and COR) can take part in the working group reviewing the procedure on the complaints committee regarding social safety.~~
- 160 200114-05 ~~The CvB will send the Kohnstamm report about first generation students to the council when it is published.~~

Pro memoria

- 190619-01 The CvB pays close attention to the involvement of PhD's when getting input from the academic community.
- 165 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.
- 170 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:

- 175 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.
- 180 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.