



**Conceptsamenvatting van de 189^e Overlegvergadering
tussen de Centrale Studentenraad en het College van Bestuur
gehouden op 12 januari 2020**

Van de zijde van de CSR 2020-2021: Assamaual Saidi, Daan Rademaekers, David Steenmeijer, Evelyn Pomasqui, Ivan Mušo, Julia Nguyen, Kaleem Ullah, Nina Hol, Sofiya Koba, Tijmen Dietvorst en Taimoor Baig;
Afwezig: Chimira Obiefule, Elias Hidoussi, Evrim Hotamis;
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).

Conceptagenda

1. **Opening en vaststellen agenda** // Opening and setting the agenda
2. **Vaststellen van de conceptverslagen** // Setting the concept minutes
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10. **Rondvraag en sluiting** // Questions and closing the meeting

5 **1. Opening (14:04uur) and setting the agenda**
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 17th of November 2020 are set without changes.

10 **3. Checking the action list**
The action list was checked. See the attachment.

4. Announcements
Announcements from the CvB:

- It is announced that the *hei-sessie on the 2nd of February* will take place online.



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- Profile Ombudsperson – This request for consent is not on the agenda today, but should the CSR wish to discuss it this can be arranged, either in a planned informal meeting or in a separate one.
 - The CvB thanks the GV for consenting with the Strategic Plan and the name change of the programme Archaeology.
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- The CvB thanks the CSR for the annual report 19-20.

Announcements from the CSR:

- *No announcements.*

5. Binding study advice

25 The CSR proposes three alternatives for a more lenient BSA. These are: lowering the amount of study points for a positive study advice; postponing the moment on which the BSA is applied; and implementing a leniency policy to lessen the amount of negative advices. Hol adds that many of the Dutch universities' student councils have signed a letter asking for the BSA to be lowered. The CSR also signed this letter

30 There are two factors stated by the CvB that need to be considered during the debate on changing the BSA. First there are the mental health issues and stress as a result of the Corona crisis that puts students under extra pressure. Secondly there is the study progress of students. Our records show that the registered study success has not declined. These two factors are weighed when taking a final decision on the future BSA. It is currently not possible to compare the numbers of students that are dropping out with last years' numbers, because students usually drop out later in the study year. Abolishing the BSA altogether is not in the interest of students because it can lead to immense study delay and students continuing in a study they cannot finish successfully.

40 Maex announces that there will be a meeting tonight with the VSNU where the BSA will be discussed with all the representatives of the Dutch universities. Maex proposes to wait a week before discussing future steps regarding the BSA. She adds that last year's decision on abolishing the BSA was taken more easily, because we were overwhelmed by the Corona crisis. This year, there was more time to prepare and the quality of online education has improved.. This results in a more divided discussion on whether or not the BSA should be abolished or lowered. However, if the universities choose to lower the BSA then the question will be by what amount the BSA should be lowered.

The CvB concludes that there will be clarity on the final decision regarding the BSA after the VSNU meeting and after the CvB has had time to discuss the results of that meeting. The CSR states again that the CvB also received a *'brandbrief'* on lowering the BSA.

50 Dietvorst closes with the remark that a solution where the faculties have a final say in changing the BSA is not desirable. Although this option did not come up during this discussion, it might come up during the meeting with the VSNU and therefore he mentions it now.

6. University Forum

55 The CvB has received a meeting piece on increasing attendance of students at the University Forum. Muso asks what the CvB's response is on implementing a financial compensation. The University Forum was set up three years ago as a pilot. The pilot was discussed with many parties at the time, including the medezeggenschap. These discussions resulted in not assigning a

60 financial compensation when attending the University Forum. After a year the pilot was extended
by a year. The CvB would want to wait with considering assigning a financial compensation for
attending the University Forum's meetings until the current pilot ended and it's performance has
been reviewed.

65 Muso states that if the compensation would be introduced right now than the results of assigning
the compensation can be included in the evaluation at the end of the pilot. If the compensation is
not assigned than there will be no results on having a financial compensation. Ten Dam replies
that when the University Forum was set up there were good grounds to not assign a financial
compensation for attending the meetings.

70 The CvB does state that one of the evaluation points should be to see why many invitees weren't
attending the meetings. The CvB will inform the CSR on the set-up of the evaluation.

Rademaekers leaves the meeting

7. Connecting students during COVID-19

75 Before the lockdown UvA was providing study associations facilities at the UvA to organize
corona-proof events. Now that there is a stricter lockdown this is not happening anymore. CREA
has been asked to organize online events that would usually take place at the UvA. There are
online events at faculties that students can attend and there is an initiative called 'keep in touch'
that organizes online events for students. Pomasqui asks if the CvB already looked into getting
feedback from students on their experience with these events. Maex explains that this will be part
80 of the keep in touch initiative.

Maex states that the teaching and learning centers are also promoting to schedule a moment at
the start of lectures allowing students to connect with each other online.

85 Pomasqui asks if the CvB considered financial compensation to attend CREA courses or other non-
curricular courses where social interaction happens. Maex states that most online events are free.
The CvB would need more insight on if financial problems are preventing students from attending
non-curricular courses.

90 The CvB's goal is to empower study programs, faculties and associations to come up with ideas to
create more connection between students. The CvB will provide the CSR with a short overview of
activities that are being organized as part of the Keep in Touch campaign **[action]**. It is also stated
that if the CSR has any ideas these can be shared with the CvB.

8. Article-24

95 The chair of the CSR, Nina Hol starts with a word of appreciation for all attending members. Hol
appreciated the cooperation between the CvB, the student assessor and the CSR members. She
emphasizes that she believes that the discussion on social safety is going to be an important topic
of discussion during the coming year.

100 The rector magnificus, Karen Maex thanks Hol for her kind words. Maex emphasizes that the trust
that the CSR and CvB have had in each other and working together to reach the common goal of
bettering the wellbeing of student is something that she would like to continue.

Maex gives a presentation on the files that were discussed with the CSR during the last months.

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9. Any other business

The CSR has received the response on the letter regarding the cooperation with Huawei. In that
response the CvB did not go into the advice of writing a written statement on condemning the
infringement of human rights and the role that Huawei plays in these infringements. Maex

110 mentions that a statement was made, together with the VU in a response to an article in the Washington Post.

10. Questions

115 Ten Dam asks if there any specific questions already formulated for the technical meeting on the Whitepaper on sustainability on Friday. Steenmeijer responds that because the CSR sent in a negative advice with remarks they expected there to be questions from the employee who invited the CSR for the technical meeting. Nguyen states that during the last meeting, before giving the negative advice on the Whitepaper there were no clear responses on the set goals, timelines and feasibility of the plans in the Whitepaper.

11. End of the meeting (16.02 hour)

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

Actielijst OV

- 210112-01 The CvB will provide the CSR with a short overview of activities that are being organized as part of the Keep in Touch campaign.
- 125 ~~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.
- 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.
- 130 ~~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.~~
- ~~201117-06 The CvB will inform the CSR on the current bathroom break regulations during proctored exams.~~

Pro memoria

- 135 190619-01 The CvB pays close attention to the involvement of PhD's when getting input from the academic community.
- 181127-02 The CvB keeps the CSR updated about the steps that are taken with regard to (alternatives to) the NSE.
- 140 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.
- 145 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:

- 130610-01 Het College voorziet de CSR van een halfjaarlijkse tijdsplanning voor adviesmomenten.
- 150 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.
- 130123-08 Indien de CSR vraagt om een motivatie voor vertrouwelijkheid van een stuk, zal het College het stuk daarvan voorzien.
- 155 130123-09 De contactpersoon van de medezeggenschap kan ook worden benaderd voor vragen en het verstrekken van informatie aan de FSR'en.