

Minutes of the Plenaire Vergadering (15) of the FSR FMG '23 - '24 Faculty Student Council of the Faculty of Social and behavioural sciences

Date: January 8, 2023 Location: On-site

Present FSR '23-'24: Rachel Ham, Diana Andreea Burduja, Kianush Monschau, Serena

Song, Julie Nesse Barikmo, Clara Ricci Curbastro Ruiz de Arcaute, Serena Song, Sonia Batreja, Elisa V Neiva (mandates vote to Rachel), Vidhi Khandelwal (mandates vote to Diana), Marten van

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Absent FSR '23-24: Samarth Kambli

Minutes: Kamyab Moteabbed

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1. Opening

Rachel opens the meeting at 16:12.

2. Announcements

Late arrivals: none.

Online attendees: Julie and Sonia.

Kamyab asks Diana if she is okay with the PV13 minutes.

Diana says that the minutes are okay.

Diana has a meeting with Sterre about the OER next week.

Elisa notes that the Rojava event is on Thursday.

Clara notes that she sent a draft of the manual. She also has a meeting with the student advisor next week.

She has also scheduled a meeting with the director in February (AP1). Perhaps it is good to also meet with him as the whole FSR.

3. Setting the PV minutes

The minutes of PV13 and PV14 are set.

4. Action Points

The action list is updated.

231012-6: Rachel/Varvara schedules the meeting with the director. (haven't, they start in January)

231201-3: For the media, make short summaries of OV1 and post them on the Instagram page, in addition to links to our website.

231215-3: For all OV2 speakers, let Kamyab know if there are any edits to be made. If everything checks out, send Kamyab an okay.

231215-4: Send out a sheet to all FSR members to determine where and when to have dinner during the evaluation weekend.

240108-1: Everyone, look through Clara's manual and take out anything you don't want in there.



240108-2: See how many OV3 topics we have, to determine whether to include the solar panel topic.

240108-3: Rachel asks Angelie to provide the student representatives contacts of all PCs.

240108-4: Diana reaches out to the CSR about the tact training for the Ovs.

240108-5: Diana forwards the Instagram password to Elisa.

5. Mail

Kamyab:

Announces the Green Office CoBo. Information is available in the docx he sent in the Signal groupchat.

Chevon behalf of the Sociology Department contacted the FSR to invite us to a networking and career event, on the 14th March 2024 in the CREA Music Hall. Time: 17:00-21:00. Kamyab will forward this to the FSR.

The FSR of medicine emailed notifying the FSR to collaborate to gain a canvas page.

Also, Kamyab has been corresponding with Sterre, and have made changes to the OV2 Minutes, so please look at them.

There was also an email about FSR secretary compensation.

Diana notes an email from the coordinator of teaching, about the OER. The OER is only in Dutch.

Rachel notes that this is likely from the Pedagogy PC.

Clara notes an email from Linda van der Weg. There will be a meeting on the 23rd of January, so the FSR should send anything they want to bring up to Clara.

Rachel notes an email from Sterre about the Communication Science numerus fixus (for the bachelor's). Bas and Jessica want to discuss it in OV3. However, maybe we should take the same approach Kianush and Samarth took, to meet beforehand.

Also, Sterre sent an email about the political science numerus fixus.

Diana asks Saar what they mean with "OC."

6. Updates

<u>Updates delegate to the CSR</u> No new updates



Updates worker's council

No new updates.

Updates O&F

No new updates.

Updates E&C

No new updates.

7. Setting the agenda

Agenda has been set.

8. Topic 1: REC Solar Panel

Council discusses Noah's letter to the Dean regarding solar panels on REC G.

Rachel notes how this issue is also about maintaining certain statues. Does the FSR want to bring this up in the OV?

Diana notes sure, but maybe in other business.

Clara notes that it depends on the other topics, if we do not have too many and how important they are.

9. Topic 2: OV 3 Topics

What are we bringing to the next OV? Who should be technical chair? Finalize OV2 minutes.

Rachel notes the numerus fixus topics for comm sci and poli sci.

Diana asks what to talk about in this topic. Rachel responds that the FSR should give a positive or negative advice.

Diana responds that the randomized system is bad.

Kianush responds that they claim it is fairer to just drawing names.

Rachel notes it is good to ask about this aspect.

Diana wants to know why it is fair to take the first 600. For her, it is an procedure based issue.

Diana also asks about the if its true that only honours students can choose their thesis topic.

Elisa notes that if this is a teacher issue, than the UvA should hire more teachers



Julie notes that students already have quiet some flexibility within their topics.

Clara also notes the range of topics.

Elisa notes that students who score better are often from wealthy backgrounds.

Marten notes that this is also the argument for numerus fixus.

Clara notes that international students score better during such tests, and maybe that is a factor as well.

Elisa leaves at 16:50

Diana asks if it is still good to bring this issue up, and the FSR agrees. Her concern is the privilege given to these specific students.

Julie also suggests checking the procedure for all of the honours programmes, since there is a lot of flexibility within the topics already.

Marten adds that thesis groups are a relatively recent thing. Before, students could choose whatever topic they wanted. They suggest students finding their own examiner.

Rachel suggests adding this honour's students topic to the agenda. It would be useful to reach out to the coordinators to gather information.

Diana asks filling in for Varya in this file.

Rachel suggests putting the 774 on the agenda.

Diana responds: for now, no.

Rachel suggests continuing the house rules.

The FSR agrees.

Diana suggests a topic about compensation of FSR members.

Rachel suggests that this might be dismissed as a CSR issue, and a proper approach should be taken. Noah should be asked. It is a good topic.

Diana adds the FSR's small budget, and notes that the Law FSR budget got three folded when they complained about it, but Rachel notes to drill this during the transfer week instead.

Rachel asks if the FSR wants Sara back as technical chair.

Diana is very excited to have her back. The rest of the FSR is positive too! Rachel will contact her.



Rachel also brings up the issue of getting training for the OVs.

10. Topic 3: Vice chair

Council discusses what to do about the vice-chair role.

Rachel notes really needing a vice chair.

Diana asks what the responsibilities are for vice chair.

Rachel notes takes tasks from the chair about communication etc. also, attending meetings, facilitating HR and responsibilities that come from that. Its not as much work as the chair, but it requires writing agendas.

Julie nominates herself, starting from February, as long as her committee takes up some of her work.

Rachel suggests voting when Julie is back.

Rachel notes that Elisa can handle the communication part a bit, since she is a trust person.

Clara notes that she can do the agendas.

11. Topic 4: Evaluation Weekend

Finalize and announce to council when were are doing the weekend, also get updates from the Fun Times Committee

Rachel notes that Samarth is not here right now.

Serena notes that if she is not there, then Kianush or Diana can read out her part.

Diana and Rachel notes that it may be better to have the event in Amsterdam, so Serena and Sonia can join (for a bit at least).

Sonia is going away, so she cannot attend either way, but Serena might attend after 15:00.

12. Topic 5: PR Team

How is the PR team doing?

Diana notes that there is no head. She cannot be in charge of PR, and she is the only one who has access to the Instagram.

Sonia suggests being put in charge, unless anyone else wants to be.



Diana notes that Samarth likely does not want to be the head. She also suggests nominating another person as PR person.

Rachel responds that there will be another council assistant hired soon. Perhaps they can fill that responsibility. For now, lets not stress about it.

13. Topic 6: ...

No points.

14. Any other business

No points.

15. Points for the CSR

No points

16. Points for the Media

No points.

17. Questions and Closing

No questions.

Rachel closes the meeting at 17:34.

Action list

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