



Concept minutes Plenary Meeting 6th of March¹ 2024

Aanwezig Noah Benjamins, Carlos van Eck, Teun van Kasteel, Hidde Heijnis, Sean Berg, Ivar Kracht (online), Rembrandt Tip
Afwezig Sarah Boll, Huy Le, Giovanni Prins, Angelina Senchi
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Notulist Liesje Verhave

Agenda

1. Opening

2. Mail and action list (15 min)

3. Confirmation minutes (5 mins)

4. Announcements (1 min)

5. Confirmation agenda (3 min)

6. Updates (10 min)

The chair, vicechair, **workgroups**, and CSR delegate share updates.

7. Discussing: Internationalization (15 min) (attachment: -)

The FSR discusses the subject of internationalization

8. Deciding: Honours program (15 min) (attachment: -)

The FSR discusses the subject of the honours programme.

9. Discussing: Promotion candidacy and election (15 min) (attachment: -)

The FSR discusses promotion for the FSR election.

10. Final points and closing

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32 **1. Opening**

33 The meeting opens at 15:22.

34 **2. Mail and action points (15 min)**

35 The FSR discusses the emails.

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38 **3. Confirmation minutes (5 min)**

39 Verhave checks two points she was unsure about in the minutes. The minutes are confirmed.

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41 **4. Confirmation agenda (3 min)**

42 The agenda point about the election is moved forward. The agenda is confirmed.

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44 **5. Announcements**

45 There are no announcements next to the absences. There are no mandates.

46 **6. Updates (10 min)**

47 *Chair, vice-Chair, workgroups, and CSR-delegate share updates.*

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49 Van Eck is still waiting for the declaration. Heijnis will send the correct declarations and indicate which ones were paid and which one haven't been paid yet [ACTIONPOINT].

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52 Benjamins updates that at the CSR they will discuss house rules and more subjects. They are also
53 working on gender neutral toilet. Van Eck will go to the meeting tomorrow to discuss election
54 regulations.

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56 Heijnis updates that on Friday they will have an interview with a candidate for council assistant.

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60 **7. Discussing: Internationalization (15 min) (attachment: -)**

61 *The FSR discusses the subject of internationalization*

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63 Heijnis and Senchi had a meeting about this subject on Monday. The faculty is trying to come up with
64 standards and ways to respond to the law that might be passed. For example, when a course can be
65 identified as Dutch and how many courses should be in Dutch. The board has asked us to add points or
66 comments to the current setup of the upcoming work group. Heijnis proposes to read the document
67 together. Van Kasteel mentions that the "expectation that the exam commission accepts requests to do
68 exams in Dutch" is too vague and should be accepted automatically. Especially if it's expected that all
69 requests are accepted. Kracht says that if it's not formalized it's all dependent on this contingent. He says
70 that the communication on this point should be properly done if it happens. Kracht says we should ask if
71 they considered making it a standard option. Heijnis explains that the context of this point is also about a
72 specialization in a major track. Tip says that in general, he is a fan of offering tests in English or Dutch,

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74 Tip says that making Dutch mandatory to learn for teachers might make it even less attractive to work at a
75 Dutch university. Benjamins responds that to try to not have the law happen this is one of the measures all
76 the universities will take. Benjamins says he is missing the goal of improving Dutch language skills for
77 students. Heijnis responds that this is present in the other document. Van Eck says that including electives
78 it will be hard to reach 70%. Heijnis responds that 70% is only about the mandatory courses. Van Eck also
79 wonders how it will be possible to offer so many electives in English when there won't be that many
80 bachelor programs in English. There are no further comments.

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82 Verhave remarks that the time for the staff to learn Dutch is very short on top of their normal workload.
83 Especially when it comes to grading exams or assignments in Dutch. Tip remarks that it's weird to have
84 the decision be made by the exam commission when it should be dependent on the content of the course,
85 so then the exam should already be prepared in Dutch if the option to do it in Dutch is available.

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87 The FSR reads the second document "*Vervolg internationalisering FGw*". Heijnis explains that this was the
88 mission of one of the working groups. Van Kasteel remarks that there is too much focus on the extra-
89 curricular. Heijnis explains that Carlos Reijnen is open to including it in the mandatory part of a program
90 but a lot of OPD's are against it because it takes away the space to teach the actual program in the program.
91 Van Kasteel agrees with the worries of the OPD's but doing in the mandatory program for bachelors makes
92 more sense. It could be an option that the humanities-wide introductory courses can be pushed to the
93 second year and a Dutch mandatory course can be included in the first year. Furthermore, in some
94 programs, a mandatory Dutch course can be taken up in the big elective space of some studies. Tip says he
95 is technically a fan of including the Dutch courses, but taking students to an A2 level is not very useful. Van
96 Kasteel responds that he agrees but then higher-level Dutch language courses can be offered in the
97 extracurricular space.

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101 8. **Deciding: Honours program** (15 min) (attachment: -)

102 *The FSR discusses the subject of the honours programme.*

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104 The current courses offered by the honours program are locked away by honours admission. Heijnis asks
105 if the council agrees to opening up the courses to everyone if they are not full or even scrapping the
106 program fully. Van Kasteel explains that he did the honours program in Utrecht, and he was approached
107 to do the program mainly because of his GPA. He also enjoyed to program because the students
108 participating are very active. Van Kasteel agrees to open the courses, but the honours program label can
109 only be given to students who participate in the full program. The council agrees to open the courses
110 opening it up. Van Kasteel would suggest that the board look at the program at Utrecht because people
111 are very positive about it. At the Utrecht program, there is an admission by interview, and it is more of a
112 club with activities in which honours students have to participate in. Heijnis will email Carlos Reijnen
113 regarding the honours program. [ACTIONPOINT]

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115 9. **Discussing: Promotion candidacy and election** (15 min) (attachment: -)

116 *The FSR discusses promotion for the FSR election.*

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The council discusses options to promote the FSR. The council should ask the board to put it in the

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newsletter, to put it on the screens at the locations [ACTIONPOINTS]. There should be social media posts

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about what the FSR does, and the election dates – possibly include a QR code with all the information.

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Furthermore, to ask ALPHA to discuss it with the OC's and to email all the OC's to put it in their

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newsletters [ACTIONPOINT]. Kracht and Berg will work on a poster and information to share before next

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week [ACTIONPOINT]. Heijnis will email Maria Hagen and ALHPA then about the promotion.

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10. Final points and closing.

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The PV closes at 16:55.

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165 **Decisions**

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De FSR FGw 2023-2024 besluit de brief van de CSR getiteld "Unsolicited advice -third part collaboration 230921" mede te ondertekenen.

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De FSR FGw 2023-2024 besluit om de inhoud van agenda punt 8 "Relations between the voetnoot te plaatsen bij het agendapunt dat het zwartlakken heeft plaatsgevonden op verzoek van het fDB.

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De FSR FGw 2023-2024 besluit om de brief "support for the unsolicited advice from the CSR regarding third party collaborations" te delen met de CSR.

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De FSR-FGw 2023-2024 besluit om het statement aangedragen door Van Beersum te delen op sociale media als formeel statement met betrekking tot de situatie in Israël en Palestina.

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The FSR-FGw 2023-2024 will send out a negative advice to the fDB regarding FGw Budget.

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The FSR-FGw 2023-2024 decides to send out the *Unsolicited Advice Onkostenvergoeding 231129*.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to send the advice letter concerning the OER part A and format part B to the fDB.

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The FSR FGw 23-24 decides to send a negative advice on the proposed changes to part-time BA education.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to send an email giving a positive advice on the FGw budget after the adaptations were made.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to endorse the letter of FSR-FdG to send the letter formally requesting access to Canvas for the FSR's.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to send the unsolicited advice concerning the connection to Israeli universities to the fDB.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to send the reflection as written down in the proposed plan of action in the meeting piece regarding quality agreements to the central level.

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The FSR FGw 2023-2024 decides to allocate 500 euros of its budget to use on the proposal for the Anti-Kantine.

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