



Concept minutes of the informal *Plenaire vergadering* of the CSR on 10 January 2025

Present	Stefana Feciuc, Maximiliano Okpala, Yashi Tripathi, Lola Fioole, Dina Nikolic, Georg Trischler Vinje, Francesco Bruseghini, Willem Volker, Ivana Djurica.
Absent	Roza Wagenaer, Martrim Yousef, Brody Xin, Aysenaz Cimsit, Wiktor Misiak.
Guest(s)	Catherine Lebiezinska (AUC), Malou Sass (AUC).
Minutes	Abigail Gilchrist (<i>Administrative secretary</i>).

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1. Opening

Yashi opens the meeting at 13:12 and welcomes the meeting participants.

2. Mail

The mail is read.

3. Adapting concept minutes

The minutes from the 11th of December are adopted.

4. Checking the action list

The action list is checked. See attachment.

5. Announcements

5 There are two guests from AUC present.

Roza mandates Maximiliano

Ivana mandates Willem

Wiktor mandates Dina

10 11 eligible votes. The quorum is met.

6. Updates: *DB, delegates, central student assessor*

The updates are discussed. Dina announces the Model OER has been delayed due to the internationalisation act. Yashi updates there will be menstrual product dispensers at every building in the UvA. The FSR FMG has a plan to make the rest of the term more efficient in the council work. The FSR FGw gave a negative advice on the faculty budget. After technical meetings and consultations, the FSR sent a positive advice. The FSR FdG has finished their survey and will evaluate the outcomes of the survey. The FSR FdG is preparing for the election period as well. The FSR FdG will organise a faculty event and all parties interested are invited to come and introduce themselves to the faculty. The FSR FdG would like to contribute to promotion on the central level for medezeggenschap as well. Angelina updates she is working on proctorio and the concerns of discrimination in using proctorio. The CvB has decided proctoring will only be approved for one program, a private program, within the faculty of Economics and Business. Stefana asks how proctorio's current use relates to previous legal cases against the UvA's use of proctorio. Angelina mentions the UvA is discussing the usage of proctoring rather than proctorio itself, which the cases were focused on. Ivana asks why the UvA would look into proctoring now. Angelina clarifies it can only be used in special circumstances, which was

enacted during covid-19. At the moment, the EB reasons that there is no other way when you have a completely online pre-master to ensure students are not cheating.

7. Setting the agenda

The agenda is set.

8. Evaluation Weekend

Lola has sent a meeting piece on the upcoming evaluation weekend. Dina asks if there is an estimate on the budget needed for the evaluation weekend. Lola has not finalised a budget yet for the weekend. Lola has included a training bureau in her meeting piece. She asks members for input on possible trainings to schedule for the evaluation weekend. Georg mentions coping with stress would be a good training. Stefana would like to do the training on stepping out of the drama triangle and the teamwork training. Lola will schedule a meeting with the trainer to plan the trainings for evaluation weekend **[action]**.

9. Ethical Collaborations Advice Request

The CSR has received the advice request on the ethical collaborations framework. Dina has provided initial feedback on the advice for the draft advice. They would like further information from the CSR on the advice draft. Georg asks if there is a conflict of interest mechanism within the structure of the evaluation as those who evaluate the projects are also involved in the research.

Ivana leaves 15:44

The ethics committee, ACEC, also makes evaluations on collaborations. Researchers can go through the questionnaire to evaluate their projects. After the results, they can see how risky or controversial their project would be and ask for advice from the ACEC. The final decision is still in the hands of the CvB whether the final advice from the ACEC will be followed.

Ivana enters 15:48

Dina will ask for further information in the OV on why the composition of the ACEC is not elaborated on. Francesco would like to see that the drafted framework provides a timeframe for when decisions should be made. Francesco would like clarity on the timeline for the decisions and what the timeline would be for reevaluating current projects. Dina asks Francesco to include his question in the upcoming OV. Dina mentions ACEC will evaluate any projects that are submitted to them. Fossil fuel industry projects go directly to ACEC. Francesco will ask what the timeline is for ACEC to make a decision on ethical collaborations in the upcoming OV **[action]**.

Angelina states it may be difficult to ask for a report or advice within a certain time period as there are often unexpected delays. The CSR is recommended to request specific moments for information on the process. While there is no advice, updates may be sufficient as well. Angelina recommends the CSR can ask how processes are going in the form of updates and to ask how often the committee meets. Francesco will ask these questions in the OV. Ivana states she does not feel a timeframe can be implemented as bureaucracy takes time but she is in favour of advocating for regular updates.

Francesco asks why the current cases (*student exchange with an institution in Israel, collaboration with the Chinese Scholarship Council and student exchanges with universities in Hungary*) are assessed separately and whether they are being done with the current proposed framework. Angelina informs the CSR the cases are being evaluated at the same time but they are three different cases. The framework that is currently in place is



65 being applied, further complicating the evaluation of the three current projects. If the framework changes after the advice is given, the new framework will need to be reapplied to the case. The CSR will ask how often they can be informed on the topic and how actively the committee meets to discuss the cases.

70 Willem asks how Dina would advise helping staff to assess cases. Dina would like the institution to take more initiative as it is an institutional decision and body. The institutional relationship should be handled by the institution and the accountability should be taken off the researchers. Willem asks if the researcher makes an alignment for research projects with an institution themselves or if the UvA proposes partnerships. Ivana mentions normally researchers meet at conferences and plan projects together. Researchers are also often approached by companies.

75 Dina asks if the CSR agrees with the critiques presented in the meeting piece. Willem states he agrees researchers should be given more tools to evaluate projects and to have more freedom of information to make assessments. If the advice includes more restrictions for researchers to make collaborations with third-parties, Willem would not support the advice.

Ivana, Catherine and Malou leave 16:15

10. House Rules

80 Stefana would like input from CSR members for the advice that the house rules working group will draft. The meeting piece summarises the legal advice the CSR received on the house rules. There are several articles in the house rules that are incongruent with national and European law. The advice was given on the draft of the house rules before the current draft, but not many changes were made between both versions. Provisions on surveillance and sanctions were added. Stefana has drafted a list of concerns within the house rules. A first point is regarding that there can be no disruptions to daily operations. The legal advice states that shutting down the university is a form of collective punishment which could increase tensions among students against other students. Georg mentions the argumentation is that the university has the obligation to educate. The argument is only relevant if the university was disrupting itself instead of the students and employees of the UvA.

90 Stefana mentions in conversations with lawyers, disruption is not something inherently bad at the university as protests are disruptive and should reach their target audience. Stefana states she is concerned about how people perceive protests at the university. Maximiliano has heard in his bachelors that there concerns from students about the lack of clarity regarding their school work when employees participate in protests.

95 Maximiliano shares within political science there was a good plan for teachers to join the protests and ensure tasks for students would continue. Maximiliano has felt there is strong sentiment that protests directly hit students' education while he does not see that is the case. Maximiliano has experienced there are many different frames pushed regarding the demonstrations in May. The CSR is informed a student reached out to the CvB about the labour union strike before the break. The student felt that some teachers should be sanctioned for not teaching while the strike was ongoing. The student tied demonstrations to having negative impacts on their studies. Angelina feels the lack of communication helps push the frame that there is a negative impact on education. Dina would like to request for another legal advice on house rules given the new clauses. Stefana recommends asking for advice on the additional follow-up questions. Stefana will bring the proposal to ask follow-up questions on the house rules legal advice to the next PV [action].

100 The CSR is also concerned with the proposal for compulsory identification. Maximiliano mentions compulsory identification hinders the feeling of openness of public institutions and universities. In general, there should be an open culture at the university which the current house rules would not encourage. Francesco mentions compulsory identification also does not have a large affect on identifying certain participants in protests but rather increases anxiety on campus. Compulsory identification can also lead to an increase in racial profiling. Stefana is also concerned that if a visitor does not have an UvA card, they will be required to show a Dutch ID.

110 This could be problematic as not all students have Dutch IDs. Stefana is also concerned students who do not have EU citizenship are also less prone to participate in protests given their visas will experience increased anxiety on campus. The housing taskforce group will look into the identification rule that will be proposed to be implemented in January [**action**]. Georg mentions identification is proposed for those participating in protests rather than mandatorily implemented on campuses. Stefana asks for members to provide feedback by next PV.

11. Concept Budget 2025

115 The GV met earlier in the morning to discuss the CvB's response on the budget letter. All input will be sent to the O&F committee of the GV. The GV O&F committee will draft a response and will be sent for a vote in the GV. All CSR members will send feedback by Tuesday to include input in the budget letter response [**action**].

12. DB Update: Council Functionality [**Confidential**]

The CSR discusses a confidential point on council functionality.

13. W.V.T.T.K / Any other business

120 The CSR does a draw for spots to the Dies Natalis. Yashi, Maxi, Dina, Lola- 1. Georg, 2. Ivana
Lola asks if members can lend money for the evaluation weekend location. 1250 euros.
If there are any questions send these before the Monday morning to Stefana/the DB.
O&O would like to make elections an OV point. The point is moved until next week.
Georg shares that next PV they will be absent.

14. Input requests for the FSRs / to the media

125 The CSR will confirm if a post will be made on the budget in the O&F meeting.

15. Evaluating the PV

The PV is evaluated.

16. Questions

There are no further questions.

17. Closing the meeting

Yashi closes the meeting at 17:12.

130 Decisions

Action list

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- ~~241211-02 All delegates will discuss the election timeline in their FSR's.~~
- 241204-01 Brody will present the 2025 budget plan in the next PV.
- 145 ~~241204-02 Dina and Abbey will check how many participants can join the Model OER TAQT Training.~~
- ~~241204-03 CSR members will formalise questions on the working agreements and send to Abbey by the end of Friday.~~
- ~~241204-04 The DB will discuss nazendingen in the next DB meeting.~~
- ~~241204-05 O&M will make a post after 12:00 on Friday if the strike goes through.~~
- 150 ~~241113-03 All CSR members will prepare their plans for the PV of the 27th of November to present a plan for their files.~~

Pro memoria

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List of Abbreviations

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CSR	Central Student Council	Centrale studentenraad
COR	Central Workers Council	Centrale ondernemingsraad
DB	Daily Board	Dagelijks Bestuur
GV	General Assembly	Gezamenlijke vergadering
GV meeting	General Assembly meeting	Vergadering van de gezamenlijke vergadering
CvB	Board of Executives	College van Bestuur
O&O	Education and Research	Onderwijs en Onderzoek
O&F	Organization and Finance	Organisatie en Financiën
PR	Public Relations	Promotie
PV	Plenary meeting (of the CSR)	Plenaire vergadering (van de CSR)
OV	Plenary meeting (with the CvB)	Overlegvergadering (met het CvB)
FSR(s)	Faculty student council(s)	Facultaire studentenra(a)d(en)
PC(s)	Program committee(s)	Opleidingscommissie(s)
FEB	Faculty Economics and Business	Faculteit Economie en Bedrijfskunde
FGw	Faculty of Humanities	Faculteit der Geesterwetenschappen
FMG	Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences	Faculteit Maatschappij & Gedrag
FdG	Faculty of Medicine	Faculteit der Geneeskunde
FdR	Faculty of Law	Faculteit der Rechtsgeleerdheid
ACTA	Academic Center for Dentistry Amsterdam	Academisch Centrum Tandheelkunde Amsterdam
FNWI	Faculty of Science	Faculteit Natuurwetenschappen, Wiskunde en Informatica
PPL	Politics, Psychology, Law, and Economics	Politiek, psychologie, rechten en economie
SA	Student Assessor	Student assessor
UvA	University of Amsterdam	Universiteit van Amsterdam
W.v.t.t.k.	Any other Business	Wat verder ter tafel komt

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Guest(s)	Ihab Laachir (<i>CSR member 23-24</i>)
Minutes	Abigail Gilchrist (<i>Administrative secretary</i>).

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2. Mail

The mail is read.

3. Adapting concept minutes

The minutes from the 10th of January are adopted.

4. Checking the action list

The action list is checked. See attachment. Yashi and Brody will draft a response to VSAE by Tuesday next week.

5. Announcements

Ivana will leave an hour early but will join the second half online.

Wiktor mandates Stefana

Georg mandates Dina

Willem mandates Roza

12 eligible votes. The quorum is met.

6. Updates: *DB, delegates, central student assessor*

The updates are discussed. The FSR FEB received complaints about the econometric exams. The FEB is currently working on the complaints. The FSR FEB has discussed numerus fixus for several programs. FSR FdG has sent the CSR a letter concerning the selection procedure for the medicine bachelors. The FSR FdG will organise coffee stands for all parties to join to encourage new memberships. The event will take place on the 13th of February. There will be a borrel but the date will be determined later. The FSR FGw has doubts on the election planning. The FSR FGw would like further updates on the election timeline. The FSR FNWI is against the two week election period because of the lack of availability for small parties to campaign longer. The FSR FNWI would like further information on the plan for elections and would like to exchange ideas with the CSR. The FSR FdR is also concerned about the two-week period. Roza would like further clarity on whether it would be two weeks or campaigning or voting. Roza would like to organise a brainstorm meeting with all PR committees to work on the elections. Ivana will contact Bora about central medezeggenschap videos [**action**]. Roza will organise a meeting on campaigning with all FSR and CSR PR members [**action**].

7. Setting the agenda

The agenda is set.

8. Evaluation Weekend

25 Lola has finalised the budget proposal for the evaluation weekend and has spoken to the trainers for the weekend. Lola would like to have a full day of training on Saturday. On Sunday, Lola would like to reflect on how the CSR will move forward. Lola would like to organise one-on-one meetings with CSR members before the evaluation weekend. Ivana feels the training budget of 3000 euros for one day is expensive. Ivana would prefer to have the training for half the day. By doing half a day, there would be space to reflect after the training. Yashi asks how long the day of training would be. Lola states it can be tailored towards the preferences of the CSR. Ivana is concerned a full day of training would be too exhausting for members to evaluate properly. Lola clarifies the trainers are aware and are experienced in ensuring participants are not overwhelmed. Dina recommends asking for a schedule from the trainers to better understand what the training would look like to make a final decision. Yashi recommends planning a bonding activity on Sunday.

35 **Voting Proposal:** The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of approving the budget for evaluation weekend.

In favour: 8 (Francesco, Lola, Maxi, Brody, Stefana, Wiktor, Dina, Georg)

Against: 2 (Ivana, Yashi)

Blanco:

40 Abstain 2 (Willem, Roza)

Decision: *The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of approving the budget for evaluation weekend.*

All CSR members will reply to the questions in the meeting piece to Lola by Discord for input on evaluation weekend [action].

9. OV Reflection

45 The CSR members reflect on the OV from the 14th of January. Stefana reflects that often during conversations she felt the CSR and the CvB were talking about two separate things within the same issue. Both Peter-Paul and Stefana agree the meta-conversations within the OV are useful. The CSR is happy that the CvB is receptive to student participation in ethical collaborations evaluation moments. Maximiliano feels the conversations flowed well during the OV. Francesco reflects the CSR and the CvB were on opposite sides given different understandings and viewpoints. Wiktor states the offhand comments during the house rules discussion should be avoided in the future. Stefana will flag the comment on house rules to Peter-Paul.

10. Third-Party Collaborations

Following the discussion on third-party collaborations from the OV of the 14th of January, Dina feels that not all the questions she had were answered but is satisfied the CSR was able to address initial concerns to the CvB. Francesco asks if the CSR should continue to push for receiving further information once the outcome of the three cases the UvA is currently evaluating is finalised. Abbey will ask Tomas about the assessment of the cases [action]. The CSR would like a draft of the framework on the basis of the analysis for the three cases.

55 **Voting Proposal:** The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of doing an information request regarding the draft documents of ACEC for how they function and the evaluation of the three ongoing cases.

In favour: 12 (Francesco, Lola, Maxi, Brody, Stefana, Wiktor, Dina, Georg, Ivana, Yashi, Willem, Roza)

60 Against:

Blanco:



Abstain

Decision: *The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of doing an information request regarding the draft documents of ACEC for how they function and the evaluation of the three ongoing cases.*

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Ihab enters 16:02

Dina would like all members to read the OV minutes and send any concerns for the advice to Dina to include in the draft letter. All members will send their input for the draft advice on third-party collaboration to Dina by next Friday [action].

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11. ISO Representation

The ISO is a body that brings together councils around the Netherlands to discuss topics and represents medezeggenschap on the national level. Dina and Stefana attended a meeting in which translation was done through an app. Representation as ISO is currently not feasible without proper translation. As a solution, Ihab Laachir (CSR member 23-24) volunteered to attend ISO meetings on behalf of the CSR 24-25. Ihab attended ISO to represent the CSR in the previous year term. Roza asks how often the meetings happen. Ihab clarifies the ISO meets every 4-6 weeks. The information evenings and other miscellaneous meetings are mostly in the evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Roza can look into attending the meetings if necessary. Maximiliano thanks Ihab for considering taking over the workload for ISO and asks if it is possible to send out someone to represent as a member that is not actively a member of the CSR. Ihab can attend the CHOs and in the form of voting procedure, ASVA can be mandated to vote for the CSR. ISO has also said this procedure would be fine. Stefana clarifies this will be a temporary solution until ISO is able to provide translators. Normally the sessions are in the afternoon and the evening. Roza proposes to work together with Ihab to represent the CSR at the ISO.

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Voting Proposal: The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of inviting Ihab Laachir to participate in the ISO meetings on behalf of the CSR.

In favour: 11 (Francesco, Lola, Maxi, Brody, Stefana, Wiktor, Dina, Georg, Yashi, Willem, Roza)

Against:

Blanco:

Abstain: 1 (Ivana)

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12. Profiling Fund

Maximiliano is in the working group to evaluate the profiling fund for an advice to the CvB. The main concern in the profiling fund is the low engagement and productivity in medezeggenschap councils. Maximiliano has drafted several proposals to address low engagement in the profiling fund. Maximiliano would like members to think about ideas such as awareness campaigns, more interconnectivity between councils, and the discrepancy between study association boards. A monthly implemented feedback moment within every council to create further structure may be nice to have in motion to help individuals remain accountable.

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Maximiliano has also spoken about the supplements that the medezeggenschao was granted in 2023. In light of budget cuts, the supplement for medezeggenschao may be deducted. It has been discussed to have some of that money in a bigger reserve to be spent on trainings for all student councils. Maximiliano would like to look into options for keeping the allocation of compensation for members the same

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105 Dina asks where the responsibility lies in changing the compensation of council members. Dina would like that reducing or taking away compensation remains an internal council decision rather than left to bodies outside the respective council. Maximiliano and Francesco had originally proposed having secretaries responsible for allocation of funds but this would not be feasible for the decentral student councils. Roza recommends forming a mechanism to have more control over absences in the council. Roza would prefer to have an outside body reporting. Francesco recommends publishing attendances online as well. 110 Stefana and Francesco would be wary of having someone external as each council operates differently. Abbey recommends Maximiliano also brainstorms how student parties should be included to improve the structure and attendance in medezeggenschap. Francesco recommends making inactivity a default unless the council decides not to. Dina recommends organising a separate meeting on the profiling fund to discuss ideas more in-depth. 115 Maximiliano will organise a separate discussion on the profiling fund **[action]**. The profiling fund working group will look further into the compensation for delegates.

13. Elections

There are two objections in the FSR FEB and FSR FNWI on the CSR proposal to extend the election timeline to two weeks. The solution is to have one week of elections. Several councils were concerned about the smaller parties capacity to campaign. The FSR FdR also is concerned there would be less urgency in voting over two 120 weeks as people may delay voting too long. Wiktor states the voting and the campaign period were both two weeks but agrees the voting period could be kept to one week. Wiktor recommends to keep the dates that would not coincide with exam week. Stefana recommends having the extra week for the CSR to step in to campaign for medezeggenschap participation in general. Lola clarifies the FSR FNWI would be in favour of extending the voting period but not for two weeks. Wiktor believes the two weeks would help promote and enhance student democracy as there are not many opportunities to mobilise students. 125

Ivana leaves 17:07

130 Wiktor will write an email to Jacqueline and asks all CSR members to send input to share. All CSR members will share input to Wiktor on the election timeline by Friday **[action]**. The FSR FNWI is interested in the plans for increasing student turnout. Wiktor states the FSR FNWI is welcome to send input to the O&M committee as well.

14. W.V.T.T.K / Any other business

135 The CSR voted for the SoC in the RvT selection committee but the quorum was not met according to the working regulations at the time of the vote. The CSR has already informed the RvT that Lola will join the SoC, which was also adopted in the minutes.

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140 Against:

Blanco:

Abstain:

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Ihab recommends organising a meeting with UvAIdeas to discuss how to include students with disabilities in student councils.

15. Input requests for the FSRs / to the media

There are no further input requests.

16. Evaluating the PV

The PV is evaluated.

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18. Closing the meeting

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PPL	Politics, Psychology, Law, and Economics	Politiek, psychologie, rechten en economie
SA	Student Assessor	Student assessor
UvA	University of Amsterdam	Universiteit van Amsterdam
W.v.t.t.k.	Any other Business	Wat verder ter tafel komt

Concept minutes of the informal *Plenaire vergadering* of the CSR on 24 January 2025

Present	Stefana Feciuc, Georg Trischler Vinje, Willem Volker, Roza Wagenaer, Yashi Tripathi, Lola Fioole, Dina Nikolic, Francesco Bruseghini, Ivana Djurica, Brody Xin, Aysenaz Cimsit, Wiktor Misiak.
Absent	Maximiliano Okpala, Martrim Yousef.
Guest(s)	
Minutes	Abigail Gilchrist (<i>Administrative secretary</i>).

A list of general abbreviations can be found at the bottom of this document.

1. Opening

Stefana opens the meeting at 15:07 and welcomes the meeting participants.

2. Mail

The mail is read.

3. Adapting concept minutes

The minutes from the 17th of January are adopted.

4. Checking the action list

The action list is checked. See attachment.

5. Announcements

5 There are no further announcements.

Maximiliano mandates Roza

Martrim mandates Willem

14 eligible votes. The quorum is met.

6. Updates: DB, delegates, central student assessor

10 The updates are discussed. Dina has met on the crisis policy, TLC, and opening a file on academic freedom. The DB will attend the IO next Tuesday. The DB will discuss inactive members in the next DB meeting. The FSR FGw is working on accessibility on campus and FSR events. The FSR FMG had an OV to discuss numerus fixus for several programs. Georg will inform the CSR which academic year the numerus fixus for several programs in FMG will be implemented [**action**]. The FSR FNWI is working on the OER process. The FSR FdG is
15 working on a help button for help with their studies on Canvas. The FSR FEB is working on numerus fixus and peer tutoring. The FSR FdR had a student engagement table. Roza recommends hosting a central student engagement table with the CSR. The FSR FdR will forward input on the ethical collaborations framework to the CSR. Angelina updates the UvA is working on a new institutional plan. Angelina has sent an email to Ivana as there are currently people missing from the AMC to participate. Participants are also missing from the
20 Business faculty.

7. Setting the agenda

The agenda is set.

8. Publishing Meeting Pieces

The CSR has received a request from the FSR AMC to publish meeting pieces online. Ivana states the FSR AMC feels that sharing meeting pieces would be important for the FSR's to have more information to build trust and ensure there is good communication among the FSR and CSR's. Wiktor is in favour of sharing the meeting pieces for transparency. Dina mentions meeting pieces will need to be adjusted to make them public. Roza is in favour of sharing and emailing the meeting pieces and suggests amending the meeting pieces to mainly consist of the status and goals. Francesco mentions that meeting pieces are often presented through a certain frame to spark discussion but he is not opposed to sharing meeting pieces. It would require the CSR to be careful what they are writing and ensure the FSR's know the difference between the meeting pieces and the minutes. Lola recommends having abbreviations in each meeting piece as well to ensure all members understand what is in the meeting piece. Abbey will make a new model meeting piece that contains the status and goals [action].

Angelina recommends making a Teams environment to store meeting pieces that can be accessed by the FSR secretaries. Abbey will look into the possibilities for creating a Teams environment. Stefana mentions meeting pieces could be requested from previous meetings but would not be sent out. If meeting pieces from the past are requested, the file holder and the DB will be responsible for approving the request.

9. Concept Budget 2025

The O&F committee met with Jan Lintsen and Eric Boels to discuss the concept budget 2025. The response on diversity and accessibility included projects that are already implemented, thus reasoning further resources are not needed. The O&F committee discussed asking for updates on projects to ensure the budget is covered. Stefana recommends having a monthly meeting on the projects to monitor whether advices are being followed.

The O&F committee has also proposed that the CSR and the GV are more involved in the Kaderbrief than the budget. In this way, the advice of the GV could be taken into account before the concept budget is drafted. The CSR would like to help lower frustrations in the budget cycle. Francesco would like assurance from the CvB there would be consent rights on the Kaderbrief. The CSR would like to avoid deteriorating the relationship with the financial team. The O&F committee reflects the committee had ideas and initiatives are mostly shot down which makes the concept budget difficult to work with. The Kaderbrief is a better place to address new concerns in the budget and to pass this to the new council. Francesco mentions the CSR will need to discuss with the COR for the consent rights request.

Yashi will meet with David-Jan and Gerwin to draft the GV's response and send it out for an email vote. The letter will consist of what is already in the previous letter except the GV will take a yes, but approach.

10. Academic Freedom

Willem and Roza have been researching academic freedom at the UvA. Roza had the idea to begin working on academic freedom after the report "*Krachtig en kwetsbaar: Academische vrijheid in de praktijk*" was published. An independent committee conducted research to see to what extent academic freedom is present within the FMG. There were also recommendations made to the UvA on how to strengthen academic freedom overall. In the report, there was no evidence of an unfree culture or mismanagement within the faculty. There were concerns about the future of academic freedom at the UvA. The independent committee submitted ten recommendations to the CvB based on the report. Roza and Willem met with Peter-Paul to discuss the status of the recommendations. There are several bodies at the UvA that want to work on the recommendations but there are no clear policies on how to work on it. Peter-Paul is positive on making academic freedom more of a topic within the University. Roza and Willem will discuss further with Peter-Paul to create a joint base on



academic freedom. It would not be policy but more a document to rely on when it comes to discussions on academic freedom. Roza sees it as a better way to incorporate academic freedom in existing policies.

65 Francesco asks why the report was made given the UvA did not make the wrong decision when suspending a professor due to pseudo-scientific claims. Roza clarifies the report was done before there was a final decision from the court. The report covers more than the specific incident within FMG, including academic freedom throughout the UvA. Wiktor is not opposed to the report in principle but the problem for him is that the report did not find any wrongdoing in regards to the original whistleblower complaint. After reading the report, Wiktor feels that the assumption that academic freedom is challenged by wokeness and activism is

70 disproportionate. Roza would not like to see the report in the light of anti-woke fights. She mentions there are other concerns in academic freedom, such as the financial dependency of researchers. The report is a starting point to discuss the topic rather than focusing on specific outcomes as solutions. Francesco mentions he is concerned regarding the last point is to keep away from woke and anti-woke fights. Francesco finds that the terminology is unprofessional in guiding the university. Francesco mentions woke is

75 normally utilised in a negative frame as well. Francesco is also concerned the recommendations could be used and framed by others to further hinder academic freedom. Francesco mentions he also does not fully see the institution that conducted the research as associated with academic freedom. Georg states they also have an issue with the usage and framing of woke and anti-woke in the report. Georg states anti-wokeness often goes against academic freedom in its usage. Stefana mentions she is in favour of

80 some of the recommendations included in the report, including institutional autonomy for universities. Stefana is concerned about the angle of the report as well. Stefana recommends to also look into alternative definitions of academic freedom in other reports. Stefana recommends analysing the relationship between the whistleblower complaint and the report specifically. Roza sees the report also confirms that the university should stay away from woke and anti-woke phrasing as

85 it is polarising. Roza asks for CSR members to read the report critically but to zoom out from the specific incident in FMG as it is not the justification to work on academic freedom. Regarding the definition of academic freedom, Roza finds it important to find consensus on a definition. The O&O has created a definition based on other reports that will eventually be brought to the CSR for a vote. Dina asks if there is a timeline for the discussion on academic freedom. Roza and Willem are still working on

90 gathering information and exploring possibilities for the file. Peter-Paul is currently discussing with experts in the field. Roza and Willem would first like to have roundtable conversations. From this, Roza would consider creating a document as a starting point for the UvA to work on the recommendations. Peter-Paul recommended having a white paper to include the definition of academic freedom and a vision on it. Stefana asks which bodies at the UvA are interested in working on the file. Academic Affairs would be

95 interested in working on the academic freedom. Peter-Paul would also be working on the topic. Roza and Willem will bring a request to open a file on academic freedom to the next PV.

11. House Rules

Stefana would the CSR to decide whether further legal advice is needed, and to request to postpone the CSR's consent by two weeks. The COR has also informed the CvB their consent will be delayed. The CSR has received the legal advice from both legal firms originally requested (Prakken d'Oliveira and Jurion). The

100 supplementary advice would cover the articles which have not been addressed. Stefana would like further advice on surveillance, capacity of employees to disband gatherings, and identification. Further proposed rules of behaviour that would infringe on demonstration rights should also be addressed. Stefana has included the rate the lawyers would take for the supplementary request. The money would not come from the CSR budget but rather a separate UvA budget.

105 Wiktor finds it necessary to ensure the CSR is as informed as possible to make an informed decision. Georg asks if the legal advice would be communicated to the CvB. Stefana clarifies the CSR can share the advice with



the CvB. The human rights lawyer states he would be able to deliver the advice by the week of the 11th to the 16th of February. Willem would like to ask to set a maximum price to ask the lawyers not to exceed.

110 Stefana would like to have a joint opinion article with ASVA and Het Parool on the house rules to raise more awareness. In the house rules task force, the group will create a more planned media strategy. Roza would be hesitant to have an opinion article from the CSR as there is a tight timeline. Roza would like time to have input on the opinion article and have a vote whether the CSR should write an opinion on it. It is important for media that the CSR always votes on this. Roza would like to first focus on the advice and the legal advice before writing an opinion piece. Francesco states the house rules taskforce thought it would be a nice idea to engage 115 the student population while they are working on the advice to ask for student input. Francesco mentions if the CSR waits until they receive the legal advice to give the advice, there would not be as much attention. The media strategy would be important to start as early as possible. The student population may not be interested immediately so the CSR may need time to build interest.

120 Stefana proposes to have an email vote on the op-ed article once it is written. Georg mentions the CSR can ask for input from students the CSR normally wouldn't have access to through Het Parool. Roza is hesitant to publish information before the advice is published given mistakes made by the previous CSR. Roza would prefer to gather input first through Folia. Francesco clarifies the article would not have CSR stances but rather bring awareness that the house rules are being worked on and to mention the proposed changes. Roza would be in favour of that idea but does not agree to have an opinion article as it would include opinions and 125 statements. The CSR agrees to vote on approaching the media.

Voting Proposal: The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of sending a letter to the CvB announcing a delayed response on the consent on the House Rules.

130 In favour: 13 (Francesco, Lola, Maxi, Brody, Stefana, Wiktor, Dina, Georg, Yashi, Willem, Roza, Martrim, Aysenaz)

Against:

Blanco:

Abstain: 1 (Ivana)

135 Decision: *The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of sending a letter to the CvB announcing a delayed response on the consent on the House Rules.*

Voting Proposal: The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of requesting a supplementary legal advice on human rights law issues (working with Prakken d'Oliveira).

140 In favour: 14 (Francesco, Lola, Maxi, Brody, Stefana, Wiktor, Dina, Georg, Yashi, Willem, Roza, Martrim, Aysenaz, Ivana)

Against:

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Voting Proposal: The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of having an opinion article in Het Parool on the House Rules in collaboration with ASVA with the current timeline.

In favour: 6 (Georg, Wiktor, Stefana, Francesco, Dina, Lola)

Against: 6 (Willem, Roza, Maxi, Martrim, Brody, Ivana)

Blanco:

Abstain: 2 (Yashi, Aysenaz)

Decision: *The vote does not pass.*

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12. AIEC/ACEC

Georg updates AIEC has not met in the academic year of 2024-2025. Two meetings were scheduled which were cancelled last minute. AIEC is an advisory body on ethics at the UvA, while ACEC is an advisory body for third-party collaborations. In the previous OV, the CvB stated that ACEC has mostly taken on the ethics advisory role at the UvA. The CSR informed the CvB the ACEC does not have student representation while AIEC does. Georg finds it important to express the necessity for students to remain involved in the evaluation

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of ethics at the UvA. Georg has made two proposals. Firstly, to clarify boundaries between AIEC and ACEC. However, AIEC has been adjusted for several years to restructure its purpose without success. The second proposal is to dissolve AIEC and to have representatives from the CSR and the COR in ACEC.

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The CSR is in favour of the second proposal to increase the capacity of ACEC. There is further budget and investment in ACEC currently. Willem would like to make it clear in the next CSR that the AIEC file will not continue as normal.

13. W.V.T.T.K / Any other business

There is a lettuce meet for new PV times in block 4 which all members should fill in by today.

Stefana reminds all members to fill in the google form for evaluation weekend and council photos. There is now a separate Discord for scheduling.

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DB has decided that update form would shorten the update time. From the next PV, all CSR members should fill in the update form.

The DB is working on organising the upcoming heisessie with the CvB.

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Wiktor informs the CSR that there is a problem with the timeline on elections. The FSR FNWI is open to extending the voting period to Monday or Tuesday instead of two weeks. The one week extension had been rejected by the FSR's. If the voting period would be extended, all FSR's need to approve this. Wiktor asks whether there should be an emergency PV or an email vote on extending the election period. Roza recommends sending a proposal for 7-8 days to save time and have a vote on the proposal. Wiktor would like to have input from the parties but this would have to go through the delegates as smaller parties mostly have influence in the FSRs. Roza mentions the CSR is already aware of the concerns from the small parties. The CSR will have an email vote on extending the election period for two days.

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14. Input requests for the FSRs / to the media

Wiktor has been in contact with the communications department to include information on the house rules process in the UvA newsletter. The newsletter would include information and no opinions.



15. Evaluating the PV

The PV is evaluated.

16. Questions

There are no further questions.

17. Closing the meeting

195 *Stefana closes the meeting at 17:06.*

Decisions

200 **250124-01** The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of sending a letter to the CvB announcing a delayed response on the consent on the House Rules.

250124-02 The CSR 24-25 votes in favour of requesting a supplementary legal advice on human rights law issues (working with Prakken d'Oliveira).

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Action list

205 **250124-01** Georg will inform the CSR which academic year the numerus fixus for several programs in FMG will be implemented.

250124-02 Abbey will make a new model meeting piece that contains the status and goals.

250117-01 Ivana will contact Bora about central medezeggenschap videos.

210 **250117-02** Roza will organise a meeting on campaigning with all FSR and CSR PR members.

250117-03 All CSR members will reply to the questions in the meeting piece to Lola by Discord for input on evaluation weekend.

250117-04 Abbey will ask Tomas about the assessment of the cases.

215 **250117-05** All members will send their input for the draft advice on third-party collaboration to Dina by next Friday.

250117-06 Maximiliano will organise a separate discussion on the profiling fund.

250117-07 All CSR members will share input to Wiktor on the election timeline by Friday.

~~**250110-01** Lola will schedule a meeting with the trainer to plan the trainings for evaluation weekend.~~

220 ~~**250110-02** Francesco will ask what the timeline is for ACEC to make a decision on ethical collaborations in the upcoming OV.~~

250110-03 Stefana will bring the proposal to ask follow-up questions on the house rules legal advice to the next PV

250110-04 The house rules taskforce group will look into the identification rule that is proposed to be implemented in January.

225 ~~**250110-05** All CSR members will send feedback by Tuesday to include input in the budget letter response.~~

241211-01 Yashi and Brody will reply to the VSAE letter within two weeks.

~~**241204-01** Brody will present the 2025 budget plan in the next PV.~~

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Pro memoria

140908-04 The DB keeps an eye on late meeting pieces, is strict about *nazendingen* and being present in time.

141208-04 The committee chairs notify the PR-committee after their meetings which files that the CSR is working on should be raised in the media.



- 235 **161017-04** The committee chairs make sure that everyone gives proper feedback in their committees about the work, steering and soundboard groups, and they make sure the documents are saved on Microsoft Teams. Council members archive all their documents on Microsoft Teams.
- 161017-05** The committee chairs oversee the diverse division of speakers for the OV.
- 170201-04** The DB oversees a proper balance between small and large files in the PV.
- 240 **171108-04** The delegates check whether the agendas, minutes, and letters of the FSR's are being published online.
- 190904-01** The DB protects the diversity of the council and supports a just and coherent working environment.
- 201002-01** All CSR members send their updates before Wednesday 12:00.
- 245 **201020-02** A double check on the spelling and grammar should be done for all *formal* communication. Committee chairs have the final responsibility for this.
- 220113-02** CSR members will inform the vice-chair if they are absent during a meeting or event of the CSR.
- 220113-03** Meeting pieces that concern files of other file holders will be sent to the committee chair before sending the meeting pieces to be discussed in the PV.
- 250 **220307-01** Receipts will be added to the request for budget approvals that are brought to the PV of the CSR.
- 240215-01** The DB will be attentive to social activities and council cohesion

Important transfer tips

- 255 **220120-01** The new CSR members should be brought in contact with the advisory board as soon as possible.

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