



9th meeting of the Faculty Student Council of Law

Date	November 9th, 2021 13.00-15.00	Location	Roeterseilandcampus A
Present	Ruben Peetam, Alla Molibog, Sam Atherton, Mark Sivolap, Janne Vrenken, Django Wagenaer, Hollando Bangun	Absent	Vincent Loos, Tuncay Yazar, Chiara Zuber, Amal Zouin, Roos de Rooij
Guests	-	Secretary	Daniel Kraamwinkel

Agenda

Notes by the chair are written in cursive and are part of the agenda and the minutes, after publication.

1. Opening of the meeting

Ruben opens the meeting at 13:07.

Vincent is absent, he mandates Django.

Amal is absent, she mandates Janne.

Chiara is absent, she mandates Sam.

Roos is absent, she mandates Janne.

Tuncay is absent.

Ruben states there is no quorum for point 9 of the agenda, which means this point will be pushed to next week.

2. Setting of the agenda

Point 9 is moved to next week and the agenda is set.

3. URGENT Consent on the headlines of the budget

The Student Council is requested to give its consent to the headlines of the budget 2022-2025 before or on November 9th. As this deadline is today, a letter stating that consent has been drafted and is attached for immediate consideration and approval.

It is proposed that the Student Council consents to the headlines of the budget 2022-2025 as stated in the attached letter.

Ruben states that the council did not realize the deadline was today until last night. The O&F committee has discussed the proposal in detail and recommends to consent to the headlines of the budget. Ruben has already drafted a letter for this. There is an evident majority to pass on the council's consent.

Ruben adjourns the meeting in order to send the letter of consent to the faculty board at 13:09.

Ruben reopens the meeting at 13:15.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting (November 2nd)

The proposed minutes have been established on November 8th. No requests for changes by members of the Student Council have been received.



The minutes are approved.

5. Review of the action-list

Hollando has fixed that JFAS and the FSR will co-host this event. Janne asks if Daniel could put this event on our agenda (30th of November). Janne also states that if necessary the FSR can sponsor this event as well.

The PPLE representatives have talked to the programme committee of PPLE and discussed the guest lecture incident. The meeting with Winkels will take place later this week.

O&O still needs a representative for the digitale agenda, Ruben will call Vincent about this today.

6. General updates or statements

a. Central Student Council

The delegate to the Central Student Council can use this agenda point to report on relevant activities at the central level.

Mark states that the CSR has created an inclusivity file with the focus on students with disability, the FSRs will be included in this process. Secondly the CSR has asked for more budget to be allocated to student services, because this has not been increasing alongside the amount of students.

Sam has communicated on the FSRs advice on the Co2 policy in the cafeteria as discussed last week.

7. Meeting with the Board on November 8th (regarding the following points)

The Student Council can discuss the outcomes of the Meeting with the faculty board (OV).

Mad short, maybe do it via paper next time if its this short.

a. Contemplation room update

The faculty board has stated that it has contacted the responsible departments. The Committee for Organization & Finance will be kept informed of the progress.

Ruben states that Dijk stated the faculty has contacted facility services and they are open to improving the room at JK. Sam adds that a separate meeting is still to be had with the FMG and FEB councils as well to try and find a better and new location.

b. Online lecture policy

The Student Council received the official response from the faculty board on the request for information on November 5th. This response has been shared with all members. The Student Council may now decide if it wishes to advice the faculty board on the policy as it has been formulated in the official response.

Ruben states that the government will most likely introduce more restrictions this Friday. The board confirmed they will update the policy accordingly.

Ruben adds that the council could still write an advice on the normal guidelines for online lectures, since the UvA is till applying them right now and it is relevant for the future. Ruben suggests that O&O in the next meeting discusses what should be the norm and that they will draft an opinion. There is general consensus on this plan of action.

c. Exam attendance by ill students

The faculty board has stated that it will await the press conference by the Government this Friday. Thus far, there is nothing in the national policy that affects the examinations in their current form.

Ruben states that again the council will have to await what the faculty does after Friday.

Janne asks to what extend we want to weigh in on this topic during the normal times. Ruben states that because Vincent is not here, the main focus should be on the normal policy because that is again still being used for now. There is general consensus on this.

8. Proposals from the side of the Student Council for amending the Education and Examination Regulations (OER/TER)

Within the OER-process, the Student Council is requested to submit any proposals for amending the OERs before November 14th, 2021. The Committee for Education & Research has reviewed the current texts of the OERS and has subsequently drafted the following proposals for consideration by the Student Council. (See also the attachments to this agenda)

It is proposed that the Student Council approves the following amendments to the OERs for consideration.

The procedure is as follows: all proposals are listed below, in order, together with a short summary provided by the Committee for Education & Research. The Student Council may discuss any or all proposals, if it so desires. When there is no further debate on a proposal, the Student Council moves to approval or rejection of the proposal. Due to the number of proposals, the chair may – without objection from one or more members – decide that in the case of an evident majority a vote will not be held, acting under Article 13, paragraph 4 of the Rules of Procedure. After this meeting, the chair will send all approved proposals to the faculty board for consideration.

Ruben states that the council will have to submit their amendments this week. The OERs will be further discussed next year.

Ruben also states that there are no proposals with OER bachelor because the committee decided that this was not the easiest track to reach it goals. Therefore, they will send a separate advice.

1. Dutch Masters OER – Amendment of article A-4.13

“Students from other universities should be able to get an elective certificate after one exam. The current rule requires an minimal of two exams for a certificate.”

Ruben reads the amendment. Janne asks why the change is desirable, it is not clear to her. Ruben states that if he has understood correctly, this would be because it is desirable that if UvA students want to go on exchange easily, hosting exchanges should also be rather easy. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

2. Dutch Masters OER – Amendment of article B-4.7

“It should be possible for students to take courses at other universities more easily. It is sometimes not possible to take an elective because of the obligatory courses. Softening the assimilation rule will make it easier for students to bring in courses from other universities.”

Ruben reads the amendment. He also states this will also apply to the English Masters OER. There are no further comments. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

3. English Masters OER – Amendment of article B-4.8

See proposal 1.

See above. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

4. English Masters OER – Amendment of article B-4.8

See proposal 2.

Ruben reads the amendment. There are no further comments. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

5. PPLE OER – Amendment of article A-3.5

“Restructuring the resit process to reduce the stress for students.”

Ruben states that Vincent made some comments, Alla and Mark then made some changes. This amendment would codify when the resit should be. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

6. PPLE OER – Implementation of a new article regarding tutorial attendance



"Making it possible for students to attend another tutorial when they have missed their own tutorial."

Ruben reads the amendment. There are no further comments. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

7. PPLE OER – Implementation of a new article regarding cancellation of tutorials

"Better alternatives when tutorials get cancelled because of absence of the tutor."

Ruben reads the amendment. There are no further comments. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

8. PPLE OER – Amendment of article B-3.6

"More flexible system for the prescribed contribution of electives in year three."

Ruben reads the amendment. Alla elaborates that PPLE needs more electives because there is too little space for students, therefore there should be at least one open elective. Alla would like to improve the wording before voting. The voting is postponed until after amendment 11. After amendment 11 was discussed, the 8th amendment was approved by evident majority as well.

9. PPLE OER – Implementation of a new article regarding hybrid teaching in Integrative Seminars 2 & 4

"More flexible way to integrate an internship into the programme."

Ruben reads the amendment. There are no further comments. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

10. PPLE OER – Implementation of a new article regarding assessments created by external parties

"Counteracting the habit of teachers to exclude older versions of study material by using only the new study material."

Ruben reads the amendment. Hollando asks what this means. Ruben states that students receive grades from assessments but those assessments are not from uva but from generic methods. The exercises however should be made for PPLE students specifics. The amendment is approved by evident majority.

11. PPLE OER – Amendment of article A-3.2

"Making sure that the course material is available earlier than two weeks prior to the course."

Janne does not understand how we can make this clear to the UvA that this is beneficial. Alla states that they could focus more on that it would make ordering books easier. Mark states that this would be more efficient since PPLE would like to discourage taking minors. Ruben states that the motivation should be rewritten and discussed via email. Then the councilmembers can send their (dis)approval in the same way. General consensus is reached on this plan of action.

12. PPLE OER – Amendment of article A-4.6

"Amending the policy about lecture recordings for disabled students in a positive way."

Alla states she wants to scrap provision c.i. from the proposal because the FSR does not want to propose hard consequences for students (that is the Faculty's job). Sam states she understands that. There is general consensus to scrap c.i.. The new amendment is now approved by evident majority.

13. PPLE OER – Amendment of article A-3.4

"Receiving an extra day to work on papers when teachers are late with their midterm feedback."

Alla states that as it is it needs clarification. The wording needs to be more precise. Ruben states that this amendment will follow the same procedure as proposal 11 (email). There is general consensus on this.

Ruben states about the email procedures that he would like to receive the new proposal tomorrow at 22:00 at the latest. Friday 15:00 is the deadline for the consent of the councilmembers. If there is enough consent it will work. Alla will also send these deadlines in the groupchat.

9. Mandated voting

Several members have indicated that they will not be able to attend the majority of meetings held in the second bloc of the first semester, and therefore wish to extend a mandate to another member for the duration of the second bloc of the first semester. The chair is of the opinion that, given the circumstances, this should be made possible and has therefore submitted an amendment to the Rules of Procedure. (See also the attachments to this agenda)

It is proposed that the Student Council approves the amendment.

Ruben clarifies that this amendment does not change anything content wise, but it would clarify the bylaws. He also states there is no mandate at this PV, the vote is postponed to next week.

10. Open day

On the request of the Committee for Public Relations, the Student Council is asked to discuss the possibility of having an Open day for students.

Janne states that last year there was an online open day. The PR committee would like to host an in person open day now as well. The essence of this would be to show prospective councilmembers how the council works. Therefore the PR committee thinks it would be nice to have some meetings people could attend. Sam states that we could do some committee meetings in the morning, and a PV at the end. Hollando asks when we want to do this. Janne replies December or January.

Daniel states that an entire day is very long, this will reduce the attendance. He also states that last year there was a two hour programme, this would be much more feasible. Alla adds that before and after this programme with the in-person factor there would be a possibility for some drinks and snacks to have some more informal contact with the prospective members as well. She further adds that she thinks the first week of December would be good timing. Janne states that she agrees, but she is not sure if they can have everything arranged by then.

11. Other points raised during the meeting (WVTTK)

Janne states that the council will join the CSR in one of their coffee-student moments. Chiara is working on that.

Janne also states that as a treasurer, she would like to state that the maximum budget per cobo gift is 20 euros. If you bought one, send the receipt to her.

Ruben states there is a spreadsheet for the cobo attendance, please fill that in.

The council decides that as favour from the AIM board they would like to have a dinner with them. Ruben will draft a letter for this.

Daniel asks if Unicef can borrow the chairs from the council room tomorrow. Janne states that they can, but that we should lock the cabinets before they come because there is a lot of valuable stuff in there.

12. Final questions



13. Closing of the meeting

Ruben closes at 14:07.

In the case of absence and/or mandate, please send an e-mail to ruben.fsr.fdr@gmail.com.

Action-list

Who?	What?	When?
Everyone	Send your vote on new amendments to Ruben before Friday 15:00.	Before Friday 15:00