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# 29th meeting of the Faculty Student Council of Law

Date 18th of May 2022 11:00 - 13:00 Location Nieuwe Achtergracht 166, REC A, Room BK.02

Present Alla Molibog, Sam Atherton, Mark Absent Ruben Peetam, Vincent Loos, Tuncay Yazar, Roos de

Sivolap, Janne Vrenken, Django Rooij, Amal Zouin, Hollando Bangun.

Wagenaer, Chiara Zuber.

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

Alla opens the meeting at 11:08.

Janne joins over phone since her tram is delayed.

Janne asks if the EDI festival contacted the FSR yet, Sam states no, but everything is in place.

### 2. Setting of the agenda

Agenda is set.

### 3. Minutes of the previous meeting (11th of May 2022)

The minutes are approved by evident majority.

### 4. Review of the action-list

Mark asked for the update. André replied, referring it to Winkels, but no updates from him yet. Janne states that Ruben looking into the jurisdiction. Mark adds that the FSR probably does not have any jurisdiction over the issue at all, but the programme committee does. So he will see if they can cooperate. Janne is working on the deaner, she has asked Nollkaemper for his availabilities in June. Ruben is working on his response to the dean rejecting the proposal to codify lecture policies.

### 5. Updates from the Delegate to the 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 the CSR elected a new chair.

Tessa Trapp is going for vice chair, but this means they will need an 0&0 chair as well.

Mark also states that there was a proposal to cap annual tuition increases at 15% compared to the previous year as was discussed during previous PVs. The most important argument would be because of the cost structures. Additionally, there is a plan to provide scholarships for students coming from underprivileged backgrounds. The CSR has consented to this proposal.

Mark also states they are working on a "war fund" for students who might be struggling financially due to war in their home countries.





Janne asks about the post-election borrel for the parties and councils. Mark states it has been postponed to after the elections, it will probably take place after exams.

Mark states that currently PPLE is leading in terms of turnout with 30%, the FdR is in second with 11%.

### 6. Outcomes of the GOV held on the 16th of May

Sam states she asked some questions on the diversity report. The faculty is figuring out how to push more initiatives in terms of diversity. Furthermore, they are paying more attention to disabled students. She also asked Dijk specifically about the contemplation room and why the faculty has been reluctant to implement a temporary room. He will get Sam in touch with the right people. She is going to propose to get more students involved through panels.

Chiara states the midterm course evaluations were discussed as well. The faculty seemed very positive towards the idea but more options still have to be identified. This will probably be carried over to the next council as well.

Sam states there was a long explanation on the tax law professor. The issue is that his chairship was sponsored by unknown funds, this turned out to be a conflict of interest. Now they have a temporary replacement whilst searching for a fulltime professor. Sam also states the faculty did not seem to have realized that the PR of the tax law section has taken a couple of hits over the year, she asked them if they would look into doing damage control. Janne adds that the faculty is setting up external committees to investigate the situations. Janne states she thinks the FSR should ask for more information on the exact processes of these committees. Chiara adds that since the issue is on transparency, this would indeed be good. The faculty is currently discussing if those can be made public. Janne adds that she was confused by why the investigations will take quite long, if these people are hired specifically for this, that does not add up.

There is general consensus on asking more about the committee and also their appointment procedure after hearing the OR's stance on the issue.

Sam stresses the importance of transparency, also to the outside world and the students. The FSR will therefore inform as much as possible on the appointment procedures of both the committees as the professors.

Janne states she asked about the zachte knip, this will be the same as last year and communicated soon.

Janne asks how the FSR should go about the absence of the OR. General consensus is reached to reaching out to them on their points of view to see if the FSR and OR can still collaborate on their tax law professor stance specifically. Daniel will send an email to Pieterbas about this.

### 7. Tax Law Professor: are there further actions to be taken?

Nieuwsuur published the following article: 'Hoogleraar UvA neemt ontslag na heimelijke constructie met vastgoedlobby (link)'. Today we'll discuss this, and determine our stance and further action points regarding the matter, considering the response given by the Dean in the GOV.

Discussed in point 6.

# 8. Our Bodies Our Voice workshop, having a conversation with Maike Steen [CONFIDENTIAL] Confidential.

### 9. PPLE Trust person proposal

Sam has written a proposal on the establishment of a trust person within PPLE (see attachment 1). We'll discuss the proposal and vote on bringing it to the upcoming OV.

Proposal by Sam and O&F. Sam states that with social safety the trust persons at PPLE did not really work. It would be easier to have one specially trained person for this at PPLE specifically. Winkels stated he isn't against it. Mark asks who it is going to be, Sam states this depends on who is available.

Janne states an email vote will be conducted, there is general consensus on this.

### 10. EDI Photo competition outcomes and winners [CONFIDENTIAL]

Winners are confidential.

Sam states she is working on getting it up son.

### 11. Renovation of REC P (PPLE building)

Mark states that Dijk will contact us as discussed above. Janne states the FSR received an email already. Daniel states this was from Nils, Mark will get in contact with him.

He adds that because of inflation, the JK renovation is under review.

### 12. Transitioning of files, and getting an update on the current progress.

With our Council year coming to an end it's time to a) determine what work needs to be finalized now that we still have time, and b) start working on the transitioning of files to the next council. You were therefore all asked to go over the file overview (link) and add to this wherever necessary. Today, we'll make a task division for writing the transition files, and set a final deadline for those to be ready.

Alla states that Janne said the FSR wants to have files ready before the 6<sup>th</sup> of June. They don't need to be extensive, but exhaustive. Janne asks the committees to figure out who writes what, the chairs will be responsible for this.

### 13. Other points raised during the meeting / general updates to give (WVTTK)

Mark states that tables can be painted by FSRs and associations at CREA. You can contact CREA for this.

Mark states Tessa from the CSR is working on the mental health week, she wants to get in touch with the FSRs. For the FdR, that is Roos and Janne.

Mark gives a preliminary update on the election turnout. PPLE is in first with 30%, the FdR is in second with 11%.

Daniel states he won't be there next week because of a rescheduled tutorial.

Evaluation day. Alla proposes to this after the  $6^{th}$ . She would like to do it in the weekend of the  $11^{th}$  or  $12^{th}$ . Sheh proposes to make it a combination of fun and work. She will work on this.

Alla states she would like to hear from the OR what their stance is on incorporating diversity trainings for teachers. Daniel will add this to the email.





Janne states there is a CSR lecturer of the year announcement today. Some council members will attend.

Mark states he had a meeting with the law faculty library. They do not have the options to have a donation system. However, if the council figures out which books are needed for PPLE, they will look into purchasing these.

## 14. Closing of the meeting

Alla closes the meeting at 12:25.

In the case of absence and/or mandate, please send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:lanne..fsr.fdr@gmail.com">Janne..fsr.fdr@gmail.com</a>.

## **Action-list**

Who?	What?	When?
Tuncay	Send the OBOV email communication to Chiara/PR	ASAP
Janne	Keep working on the Deaner	Before next PV
Ruben	Keep working the OER proposal	In due time
PPLE peeps	Look into major books.	In due time (end of the year)
Alla	Work evaluation day	In due time