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Conceptsamenvatting van de 217^e Overlegvergadering tussen de Centrale Studentenraad en het College van Bestuur gehouden op 14 januari 2025

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Van de zijde van het College van Bestuur: Peter-Paul Verbeek (Rector Magnificus CvB), Edith Hooge (CvB chair), Tomas Martini (board secretary); Afwezig:

Gast:

Technisch voorzitter: Tessa Trapp (technical chair); Verslag: Abigail Gilchrist (administrative secretary CSR);

Publieke tribune:

Conceptagenda

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1. Opening and setting the agenda

The technical chair opens the meeting at 13:05 and welcomes all participants.

2. Check-In

15 The CSR and CvB check-in on how members are feeling.

3. Setting the concept minutes 26-11-2024

The minutes of the 26th of November are adopted.

4. Checking the action list

The action list was checked. See the attachment.

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	241126-01	The CvB and the CSR will finalise the memo on mediation working
		agreements before the next OV.
	The memo will be	e finalised in the OV.
	241126-02	The CvB will organise an informal meeting on menstrual products for
25		January and communicate date options beforehand.
	Menstrual produc	cts will be finalised in the OV.
	241126-03	Martini and Gilchrist will set up an informal meeting on the knowledge gap
		regarding safety on campus.



	The secretaries a	re looking further into the dates for the informal meeting. The secretaries have
30		planned technical meetings on internal crisis policy in preparation.
	241126-04	The CSR will formulate questions for the informal meeting with the CvB on safety on campus.
	The questions w	ill be addressed in the informal meeting on the knowledge gap regarding safety on
	campus.	
35	241126-05	The CvB will set a technical meeting to discuss and share information on the
		internal crisis policy.
		eting has been scheduled for the 23 rd of January.
	231121-06	The CvB will look into the building regulations for new buildings to see how
40		the policy on gender neutral bathrooms are formulated and provide an undete to the CSP
40	The CyB will sen	update to the CSR. d an overview to the CSR next week.
	The GVD will Sen	
	5. Anno	uncements
	Announcemen	ts from the CSR:
	a.	Feciuc announces the CSR has sent their advice on the job profile for the FP&C
45		CvB file holder. The GV will meet with Lintsen and Boels on Friday and will send
		another budget letter to the CvB the following week.
	Announcomon	ts from the CvB:
	Announcemen	
	a.	Verbeek will leave at 14:45.
	b.	The CvB informs the CSR discussions on the educational vision are beginning
50		and will continue throughout the year. The educational vision will go hand in
		hand with developing a new UvA strategy. The CSR will be involved in this
		process.
	с.	The CvB updates the next steps for AI and education have been shared with the
		COR and CSR. The CvB is working from a program structure that focuses on
55		building infrastructure (e.g. wide availability of an UvAChat), AI awareness and
		AI literacy.
	d.	The Dies Natalis will be celebrated on the 17 th of January.
	e.	Hooge announces the theme for the Opening of the Academic Year is good
	0.	quality scientific education and the role of students as partners. The CvB has
		quancy sciencine education and the role of students as partiters. The GVD has

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6. Mediation Agreements

open to students and staff.

The CSR and the CvB have finalized the mediation agreements. Feciuc asks if there is an update 65 on shared working days with the CvB at the Maagdenhuis or REC. Once the agreements are confirmed, the CvB and the CSR will work on follow-up actions from the agreements, including a shared working day. Verbeek recommends choosing office days at Tuesdays, which can be organized following the confirmation of the agreements. The CvB will work on the implementation of the mediation agreements and provide an update to the CSR as soon as

asked Professor Paul Ashwin from Lancaster University to give a lecture as well. Professor Ashwin is willing to give a Masterclass the following day that will be

70 possible [action]. The CvB has added that ensuring strong ties between CvB and CSR is a task of all three CvB-members, not just the rector. The CvB and the CSR confirm the mediation agreements. Furthermore it has added clarification that collective 'thematic sessions' are to be seen as 'collective study moments', but not as a replacement for the OV's or with a goal to reach consensus on a subject. Also, the CvB stresses that the UvA Code of Conduct always applies.



75 **7. Third-Party Collaborations Framework**

The CSR has received the advice request on the third-party collaborations framework. The CSR would like further information on how the framework will be operationalized and has sent a list of questions on the framework.

New Projects

80 The CSR has asked who is responsible for ensuring the evaluations are conducted based on the criteria of the framework. Verbeek responds the dean is responsible for all research done. It is also the responsibility of the leadership of the faculty to ensure research project assessments are completed. For new collaborations, there will be a system in place to register all the new research projects, and a risk assessment will be required. Verbeek states there may be reasons

to evaluate existing collaborations but this would depend on conversations within the UvA.

Nikolić asks if there will be a register with all the new project requests and if leadership will send the finalised risk assessment. Verbeek clarifies there will not be a register but if discussion arises on certain collaborations, the dean may investigate whether certain collaborations are ethical and whether those projects should be reevaluated. There is a research management

- 90 system to register a new research project which includes the risk assessment matrix. Nikolić asks if the consultation following the submission of a risk assessment would include minutes that would be sent to ACEC. Verbeek mentions that the idea is that projects will only end up with ACEC if projects receive an orange or red flag in the risk assessment matrix. Not all the selfassessments will be registered. Verbeek states the core idea is to put the prime responsibility on
- 95 the researcher. The intent is to also increase the awareness for individual researchers regarding ethics in research. However, some form of paper trail should exist. Hooge adds that the assessment tool is also a tool to increase a culture of awareness – and to address intangibles that are not always possible to capture in structures or rules.
- Nikolić states having an archive of project evaluations would be important to understand why
 certain research projects are collaborated on. Nikolić mentions the CSR would like further
 transparency as it is currently unclear how the evaluations will be archived. Verbeek is
 concerned archiving risk assessments would lead to greater bureaucracy and further issues in
 finding information. Nikolić finds the framework currently does not outline a mechanism for
 ensuring concerns regarding ethical collaborations are addressed on the program level. Nikolić
- 105 would like to ensure that if members of the UvA community request information on why a certain collaboration was accepted or rejected, members should be able to access the information transparently, particularly for the student community.

Verbeek replies that the points on transparency will be taken into consideration, with the added notion that bureaucratic burdens should not be overwhelming. Hooge suggests that the CSR

110 puts the point of student involvement forward in their advice, including suggestions how to organize this.

Bruseghini asks who is responsible for collaborations that are considered university wide. Verbeek clarifies the CvB would be responsible. Feciuc asks what other scenarios the CvB would also make central decisions on collaborations, besides university exchanges. Verbeek states as

soon as the university signs an agreement with another university, it becomes a central

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responsibility. In these cases, it is up to the CvB to ensure that the risk assessment and the advice of ACEC is taken into account when reaching a decision.

Trusted Sources

Nikolić asks how criteria for trusted sources was defined by the ad hoc working group. Nikolić
 finds there is no explanation for certain organisations as trusted sources and would like further
 information on whether there was criterion for identifying the trusted sources. Nikolić finds
 using external sources also creates ethical questions on who is reporting and what sources can
 be trusted. Verbeek states the criteria found in the framework for evaluating projects is there
 for consultation purposes, but other criteria and sources can also be utilized outside the

- 125 framework. The sources within the framework are there to provide a solid basis. ACEC deepens the risk analysis with the criteria by consulting sources outside the suggested trusted sources. Verbeek states the CvB can ask for an elaboration or the CSR can highlight if there are missing documents in the overview. The CvB can ask ACEC to give an observation on why certain considerations were taken into account for the sources provided in the table. Nikolić would also
- 130 like further clarification on ACEC procedures, such as how certain documents are chosen and decisions are made. Nikolić will include this request in the advice from the CSR

Current Projects and Advice Timeframe

In suspending collaborations, Nikolić finds there is not enough clarification on how the university would suspend existing collaborations. The final advice will elaborate on suspension
 of collaborations. Legally, universities have not been able to stop collaborations in the past. The CvB will need to give further scenarios in the framework, if possible. Hooge mentions the work of ACEC is also to think about mitigating measures or taking measures, which contains the feasibility and legal possibilities in those decisions. ACEC will consider the measures that can be taken to mitigate and assess risk. Then decisions can made on how to continue collaborations,

140 which is an administrative decision.

Bruseghini asks if the temporary ban announced in May on new collaborations with countries in conflict will continue. The CvB states the temporary ban announced in May will be lifted once the framework is finalised. For the central collaborations, Bruseghini asks if a risk assessment made at the central level will be published when an advice is given. Verbeek states the CvB will

145 take the advice into consideration. In a risk assessment, mentioning certain risks may also damage relations among universities. The CvB would like to balance confidentiality without giving up accountability

Bruseghini asks about the status of the three cases that are currently being evaluated (*student* exchange agreement with Hebrew University of Jerusalem, MoU with China Scholarship Council on

- 150 PhD training, student exchange with universities in Hungary as part of the Erasmus programme). Verbeek expects a final advice from ACEC by the end of the month on the three cases. Bruseghini asks if the three cases are evaluated based on the current draft framework. Verbeek confirms the cases will be evaluated using the current draft framework, but also the expertise of the ACEC-members. It is the responsibility of CvB to make a decision. Bruseghini asks if the advice
- 155 will be published by ACEC after the evaluations are finalised. Verbeek states it is up to the ACEC to publish their advice. Bruseghini finds it important to receive the draft advice to better understand how the framework is applied. The CvB will look into whether the CSR can receive further information once ACEC give their advice.



Bruseghini mentions the framework does not set a timeframe for receiving advices from ACEC.
Bruseghini understands a timeframe is restrictive for a project to be assessed but finds it important decisions are made within a certain period. The CvB has decided to allocate further funding to ensure a professional office for the ACEC to make things more efficient for the committee. Verbeek informs the CSR that ACEC meets around once a month. Verbeek mentions it is necessary to have a certain timeframe for advices which will be looked into by the CvB for

the final framework.

Other Concerns

Nikolić states the use of "should" within the matrix does not specify actions ACEC may take or what can be done. The matrix outlines how an assessment can be opened but not how situations can be changed. Nikolić would like it to be clear it is a requirement to fill out a research project

170 questionnaire rather than a recommendation. The CvB expects that these requirements are followed up on but agrees the wording in the framework should be clear.

The role of the student is not concretely outlined in the framework. The current student position in ethics, within the AIEC, is not utilized as AIEC does not regularly meet. The CSR is concerned about the lack of AIEC meetings. The CvB informs the CSR AIEC had a role before the

175 establishment of ACEC. AIEC does not have a natural place at the moment. Nikolić would not like to lose student representation within ethics at the university. The CvB will make a decision about AIEC and will keep the advice in mind.

8. House Rules

The CSR has received the consent request on the draft house rules. The CSR has shared concerns on the draft house rules in a memo. The CSR has also received legal advice on the draft house rules, in which there are inconsistencies between the received legal advice and the draft house rules. Feciuc asks for clarification on the changes made from the draft made last May to the new draft the CSR received a consent request for. The house rules did not change a lot from the first draft to the current draft. Hooge responds two amendments were made between the drafts.

185 Clauses on compulsory identification, dissemination of information and surveillance were added.

Hooge states the house rules are meant to structure how interactions happen within the university community. House rules are not per default a full copy of legal international frameworks. The house rules are made to structure, organize, set boundaries and enable certain

- 190 interactions. The context of the house rules are in the legal framework of demonstration law, the WHW and proprietary powers of the UvA. Hooge finds it important to also think about what the house rules are for, in which the starting point is on the culture of the university and knowing how the community behaves. The house rules are meant to act as a guide to have a working structure to guide behavior at the UvA. The house rules provide the boundaries of
- 195 conduct at the university but should not instruct behavior. They are enablers for primary research and education to happen (the purpose of the university), and next for securing demonstration rights.

Hooge adds that the House Rules are not primarily intended to exactly and exhaustively define the culture and norms of behavior at the university. The House Rules are needed and can be consulted when behaviors and interactions are questioned or contested.

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Feciuc finds the house rules are restrictive and impose too many rules that were not previously part of the UvA culture. In the previous house rules, there was not a mention of surveillance, sanctions and compulsory identification. In the current draft house rules, there is a rule that the UvA can surveil within certain limits. Hooge agrees surveillance is contested and should be

- 205 applied reluctantly. The CvB would like to make it clear in the house rules how surveillance can be enacted, in order to be explicit also on the limitation of its use. Regarding sanctions, the CvB would also want to provide clarity when there are sanctions for boundaries crossed, which were previously unclear. The WHW makes it clear that when boundaries are crossed, there are possibilities for the administration to apply sanctions. The CvB has included sanctions in the
- 210 house rules to make it transparent how the UvA will address if boundaries are crossed. Hooge clarifies identification follows the same reasoning. It is included in the house rules not to restrict the behavior of staff and students, but to outline the limits of the administration's behavior.

Feciuc asks why the provision on surveillance does not state that surveillance should not happen unless certain criteria apply. The CvB agrees the phrasing of the house rules could be

- 215 evaluated, and will take this into consideration. Hooge recommends planning a technical meeting to provide in-depth updates and information for the CSR. The CSR will have a technical meeting with Legal Affairs to understand further justification on certain provisions. The CvB will organize a technical meeting on the House Rules with Legal Affairs, Facility Services and Integral Security for the CSR [action].
- 220 Bruseghini asks if the provisions in the house rules have been used in the past or if the proposals are new. Bruseghini finds the language within the house rules includes statements such as "the UvA can do…" which Bruseghini sees as the UvA adding new policies. Hooge mentions the provisions have always been the norm given the framework of the WHW. The CvB has tried to make certain rules explicit, which had previously not been explicit. The UvA aims to
- 225 make explicit what the boundaries are as applied from the WHW. The CvB agrees the tone of voice in the house rules could be improved. Regarding identification, this has been used in the past when it is necessary to know who is coming. ID and registration is used for event or crowd control.

Hooge asks how the CSR interprets explicit statements on ensuring the UvA is free for
demonstrations. Feciuc states she feels the UvA is overreaching in their rules by banning
students from certain demonstrations or asking for IDs. The UvA is the first place for students to
begin to understand the adult world. Feciuc finds that the UvA overreaches in defining and
balancing the proportionality of rights. Bruseghini adds it is also a concern that once certain
things are written, it can create a new norm at the UvA community. The CSR will continue to
work on the consent request following the technical meeting on the draft house rules.

9. Menstrual Products Follow-up

The CSR attended a technical meeting on menstrual products with Lintsen. There will be menstrual product dispensers placed in every building of the university on the floor that is most trafficked. The program starts in March and the CSR will discuss the details with the CvB. The CSR is satisfied with the progress on the menstrual products. The CvB is happy with the

collaboration as well.

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10. Questions



Feciuc recommends creating a pro memoria for time out moments, per the mediation agreements. All members of the meeting are encouraged to ask for a time-out during a meeting when they deem necessary [**pro memoria**].

Wagenaer mentions the delegates have discussed the differences in monthly compensation. There is unclarity regarding the compensation for delegates. Wagenaer asks if there is anyone on a central level to ask about the profiling fund. Rosa Baggelaar is responsible for the profiling fund.

250 Nikolić asks if the Berenschot report will come out by the end of January. The CvB expects the report by the end of January.

11. Closing the meeting

The technical chair ends the meeting at 14:58.

The next OV will be on the 11th of March.

255	Actielijst OV	
	250114-01	The CvB will work on the implementation of the mediation agreements and provide an update to the CSR as soon as possible.
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260	241126-03	Martini and Gilchrist will set up an informal meeting on the knowledge gap regarding safety on campus.
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Pro memoria

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	250114-01	All members of the meeting are encouraged to ask for a time-out during a meeting when they deem necessary
270	190619-01	The CvB pays close attention to the involvement of PhD's when getting input from the academic community.
	180904-01	The CvB emphasizes the importance of incorporating the input of the medezeggenschap while preparing for the annual talks with the deans.
275	140604-01	Het College geeft indien van toepassing de CSR een update ten aanzien van de samenwerkingsplannen met andere instellingen of instituten.
	100907-02	Het CvB zal de capaciteit van fietsenplekken, studieplekken en ruimtes voor studieverenigingen tijdens het realiseren van de nieuwbouw en verhuizingen scherp in de gaten houden en ingrijpen wanneer een tekort ontstaat.

Voor het komende artikel24-overleg:

280	130610-01	Het College voorziet de CSR van een halfjaarlijkse tijdsplanning voor adviesmomenten.
	130123-07	Er zal duidelijk worden stilgestaan bij (mondelinge) toezeggingen van het College, zodat er geen onnodige schriftelijke reacties hoeven te worden gegeven, maar de toezeggingen wel helder worden genotuleerd.
285	130123-08	Indien de CSR vraagt om een motivatie voor vertrouwelijkheid van een stuk, zal het College het stuk daarvan voorzien.
	130123-09	De contactpersoon van de medezeggenschap kan ook worden benaderd voor vragen en het verstrekken van informatie aan de FSR'en.

List of Abbreviations

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	Abbreviation	English	Nederlands
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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
0&0	Education and Research	Onderwijs en Onderzoek
0&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	Overlegvergadering (met het CvB)
	CvB)	
FSR(s)	Faculty student council(s)	Facultaire studentenraad(en)
PC(s)	Program committee(s)	Opleidingscommissie(s)
FEB	Faculty Economics and	Faculteit Economie en Bedrijfskunde
	Business	
FGw	Faculty of Humanities	Faculteit der Geesterwetenschappen
FMG	Faculty of Social and	Faculteit Maatschappij & Gedrag
	Behavioural Sciences	
FdG	Faculty of Medicine	Faculteit der Geneeskunde
FdR	Faculty of Law	Faculteit der Rechtsgeleerdheid
АСТА	Academic Center for Dentistry	Academisch Centrum Tandheelkunde
	Amsterdam	Amsterdam
FNWI	Faculty of Science	Faculteit Natuurwetenschappen, Wiskunde
		en Informatica
PPLE	Politics, Psychology, Law and	Politiek, psychologie, rechten en economie
	Economics	
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