

Date Wednesday 3 October 2018  
Time 15:00-17:00u  
Location A7.65  
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Present: Anne van den Bergh, Anna Schröder, Anna de Koning, Ginger Mooren Guillano Payne, Alexander Gritsay, Minh Quan Bao Nguyen, Latif Sleibi, Jinane Araqi, Vanessa Romeijn, Svedha Krishnaraj, Felix Wolthuis Scheeres.  
Absent:  
Guests: Mariia Lisova  
Secretary: Myron Warta

## **Agenda**

### **1. Opening of the meeting**

Anne opens the meeting at 15:07.

### **2. Setting the agenda:**

#### **a. PC Hooft Occupation, FSR Reaction and Statement**

Anne states that she wants to discuss about how the FSR should respond demonstrations at UvA. Quan states that when it concerns the FSR or the Medezeggenschap the FSR should give a statement. The FSR should react on every matter that concerns the Medezeggenschap. Svedha states that she does not agree with Quan on giving a statement on this particular case. Svedha states that it is not necessary for the FSR to give a reaction on the occupation of PC Hoofthuis. Jinane states that the FSR should make a statement, because it is about the political environment at UvA. Anne states that a statement will help to show support for the thoughts behind the action. Anna de Koning states that it is good that the FSR supporting the thoughts behind the protests. Anne states that for the future it would be good to propose alternatives if there is no agreement on statements. Anna Schröder asks if the FSR should make a statement regarding the demonstration of last week. Alex states that the FSR could still make a statement, because the CSR still has not given a statement yet. Anna de Koning states that the first sentence of the statement has to be changed. Alex asks the FSR that all council members support the fight against budget cuts, but not necessarily the means. Anna Schroder states that the statement is neutral, but that it shows that the FSR is involved with the matter. Anne states that there needs to be a photo posted with the

statement. Alex states that it can be a photo of the protests. Quan states that he does not want a photo of the actual demonstration. Svedha states that it could be a screenshot of the statement in an app. Anna states that she would be in favor of posting a photo of the building. Svedha states that posting the statement with a photo of the building could come off as being negative towards the thoughts behind the protests.

The FSR votes on posting the statement online, regarding the PC Hoofthuis occupation/demonstration. - 12 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining.

**b.** GOV 15 October – Preliminary Issues to Raise

Anna de Koning states that for NSE students are asked to join working groups. Anna de Koning states that she does not know if every council member should participate. Anna Schröder states that the scores of the NSE are low, because students that are upset fill in the NSE more than positive students. Anna de Koning states that research showed that positive students filled in the NSE more than students with a negative attitude. Anna Schröder states that she thinks that the problem with NSE is that the survey is distributed. There should be proper research on this topic why it is not working the way it should. Guilliano states that students view the administration at UvA as poor and this could be a point for negativity among students. Anne states that if the FSR can look into documents of the NSE they could take a stance. Anna de Koning states that these documents are accessible and she can send it to the council. Alex states that the problem goes further than the administration issues and that the students are not as critical as thought. Anne states that another point for the GOV is the quality agreements. Alex states that the money is divided on a central level and it cannot be said what amount the faculty will get. The CSR will be voting on this. AMC and ACTA get the highest amounts of money and it would be better for the faculty to wait. Anne states that everyone should take a look at the documents when these arrive.

**c.** Strategy Meeting – Synopsis? (Vanessa and Felix)

Vanessa states that the budget will be expanded for the faculty. Anna Schröder asks Vanessa who were present during this meeting. Vanessa states that the board, the OC and she and Felix were there. Felix states that during the meeting the Mission Vision was discussed. Felix states that there was no room to go deeper into this during the meeting. Vanessa states that one of the participants of the meeting had a complaint about the Mission Vision. He stated that it has to go pass hundreds of people before it will be implemented. Felix states that the slogan 'Jurist vanaf dag een' is part of the mission and can be used as an argument for making the web lectures online available. Felix states that there is a discussion about the name of the sign that will be put on the building. Several names that could be used are: Amsterdam School of Law, Amsterdam Law School and Amsterdam Law Faculty. Anna Schröder states that Amsterdam Law School would be a good name. Jinane agrees to that. Anne states that school is better than faculty. Guilliano asks why the

word 'aculty is not put on the sign. Alex states that the faculty of law is not the only faculty in the building. Guilliano states that the word school sounds forced to him. Felix states that Nollkaemper said that he would like 'Amsterdam Law School' to be the name. Anna Schröder states that the FSR should let Nollkaemper know that it agrees to the name of Amsterdam Law School. Anna de Koning states that an advice should be written on this matter and presented to the board.

**d. Stance on Letter to the CSR Regarding CSR Plane Tickets Minsk**

Anne states that the university will fund the CSR plane tickets to Belarus and that two faculties FMG and FGW have made a protest statement. These faculties have several reasons to protest against funding this trip. One of the reasons is that, according to them, Belarus is dictatorship. Alex states that it is a youth forum where there will be discussions about various topics. Students can learn from this forum and bring back new ideas to the university. The CSR has voted two times on this topic. The first time it was a negative vote for the funding. The second voting turned out positive. Alex states that the arguments in the statement are discriminatory to students from Belarus or other former Soviet Union countries.

Anna de Koning states that this protest is against the 300 euros that are used for funding the trip. Alex states that the money will not be used in the next year and that this project can be beneficial for the university. Anna de Koning asks how much plane tickets cost. Alex states that the tickets cost 200 euros. Alex states that the protest makes a division within the UvA.

Anne asks if this event will be a nationalistic event. Alex states that this event will not be nationalistic. Guilliano states that even if the event would be nationalistic, it would not be a problem if the CSR only participates in the relevant part of the forum. Anna de Koning states that the CSR members are going to Minsk nevertheless. Alex states that the forum will discuss the following topics: youth education, volunteer programs, and student bodies. Alex states that the European commission is involved in this forum and has given these topics.

Alex states that the student bodies should prevent discrimination. Anna Schröder states that the letter can be hurtful. Alex states that the CSR is hesitant in taking a stance, but that he has said that this should be done as soon as possible. Alex states that the FSR should reject the letter of FMG and FGW, because it undermines the legitimacy of the CSR and is not right manner to communicate through. Anna Schröder states that this conference is exactly what the FSR would want to accomplish. Anne states that the faculty student councils should have a say on what the budget is used for by the CSR. Alex states that it is the budget of the CSR and it is hard to involve every faculty council in it. Anna Schröder states that she supports the student council should be involved in the matters of CSR. Anne states that it is not the FSR's responsibility to tell other councils what they can say or do. Anna Schröder states that the two faculty councils are asking for an answer on this topic from the FSR and that the FSR should give a statement. Anne states that she has seen the website of the conference and it does not look as bad as it is portrayed in the letter. Anne states that a letter will be sent to the FMG and FGW to give the stance of the FSR.

The FSR-FdR votes to put the name on the letter of FMG and FIW.

0 In favor, 12 against, 0 abstaining.

**e.** November 12 PPLE OER Amendments Deadline

Alex states that he looked at the schedule and that the FSR is on track. Alex states, that it would be best to come with proposes in the first week of November. The PPLE council members state that it is to soon to make statements yet. Alex states that he would like to have input from non-PPLE students. Anna Schröder states that this will help the non-PPLE students to come with ideas about proposes to the Dutch OER. Anne states that this will be discussed further when the council members are more informed.

**f.** Dossier Developments?

Anne asks what the developments are on the dossiers. Anna Schröder states that she and Quan had their first meeting. Anna Schröder states that the WC-krant was discussed and what the FSR should do with Facebook and Instagram. Anna Schröder states that there will be an edition of the WC- every study block. Anna Schröder states that input from the council will be appreciated. Quan states that the deadline for the first WC-krant will be October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Anna Schröder states that the council will be introduced on Facebook through the photos that were taking. The photos need to be watermarked and someone of the council has to do that. Anna Schröder states that every council member needs to make text of a 100 words about the function of the member in the council, his or her views and topics that he or she will work for this coming year. Anna Schröder states that the phone number on the website will be removed, because it is hardly used. Anna Schröder states that the member page will be updated with all the photos of the new members.

### **3. To Dos**

TD's:

- 181003: Anne and Anna will get in touch with individual FSR members for one-on-one meetings
- 181003: Anne will set up a meeting with the new OCB (will be elected by the end of this week)
- 181003: Ginger will get in touch with Jan Dijk about REC A accessibility and study spaces
- 181003: All FSR members will send Anne ideas on what would make for a good web lecture policy
- 181003: PR will write a contribution to Studentennieuws
- 181003: PR will update the FSR website: <http://www.studentenraad.nl/rechtsgeleerdheid/>
- 181003: PR will post an Instagram update
- 181003: Working groups will get together to work on concrete steps forward re: respective issues raised during OV
- 181003: Working groups will start drafting their advices to the board

#### **4. Other updates**

Anne states that the OC had asked for the involvement of council members to attend meetings. Alex states that it would be good for students, that council members attend these meetings because of our knowledge about the laws and process. Anne states that the first meetings will take place in the week of October 15<sup>th</sup>. Anna Schröder states that Anne should send an email to the OC, that FSR members would like to attend the meetings. Alex states that the FSR members should attend all the first OC meetings to meet the members.

Cobo FdR & FEB

Quan states that the event will be held in November. There are several locations that can be used such as Mezrab, Canvas and Amstelhaven. Maria states that the event will probably take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November. The FdR and FEB will both send three locations of choice. These choices will be send before Monday.

Alex states that he will be sending his proposal for the improvement of education.

#### **5. WVTTK**

#### **6. Closing of the meeting**

Anne closes the meeting at 17:00.