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Date Friday 2 November 2018  
Time 09:00-11:00 uur  
Location A6.65  
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Present: Anne van den Bergh, Anna Schröder, Anna de Koning, Ginger Mooren, Alexander Gritsay, Minh Quan Bao Nguyen, Jinane Araqi, Vanessa Romeijn, Svedha Krishnaraj, Felix Wolthuis Scheeres.  
Absent: Guillian Payne, Latif Sleibi  
Guests: -  
Secretary: Myron Warta

### **Agenda**

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

Anne opens the meeting at 09:10.

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

##### **a. November 5 OV – Agenda Points (Board: Research Masters, Request for Advice Quality Agreements; FSR: Mental Health, Sustainability, [Lack of] Support in Masters Programs, Opening Hours JB during Finals), Delegation of Topics**

Anne states that Mental health will be discussed during the OV. Anne states that Jinane should take on this agenda point during the OV. Jinane states that she agrees to this. Jinane states that the UvA is working on the mental health issues. However at this moment it is too broad and it would be better to set out a strategy. Anne asks what this strategy will entail. Jinane states that she thought of a booklet solely on providing information on mental health for first year students. Anne states that there is a booklet for first year students and it contains information on mental health. Jinane states that when she was a first year student that she did not know of resources if a student suffers from mental health issues. Anna de Koning states that the existence and content of the booklet could be discussed in the mentor groups. Anne asks Jinane to write a piece on this topic for the OV containing the questions she would like to ask and send it to the rest of council. Svedha states that she support Jinane on this topic during the OV.

Anne states that sustainability will also be discussed during the OV. Anne states that Vanessa stated that sustainability should be incorporated into existing courses if possible. Vanessa states that there is currently an

initiative to create an elective about sustainability, which would be open to students of all faculties. Vanessa states that she is in favor of this initiative. Anna de Koning states that it would be better to incorporate sustainability in the existing classes, for example Fundamental rights. Felix asks if this class will be given in Dutch or in English. Anne states that she does not know that, but it will probably in English. Anne asks what Vanessa will ask on the topic of sustainability. Vanessa states that she will ask the opinion of the board on this topic and see where they stand in this. Anne asks Vanessa to write a piece on what she will ask during the OV. Quan states that he will support Vanessa on this agenda point during the OV.

Anne states that the masters programs will also be discussed, because Guillianio feels that the students do not have enough educational support. Anna de Koning asks if this is an UvA-wide problem or a problem with masters in general in the Netherlands. Anne states that this can be asked during the OV. Anna Schröder states that she can support Guillianio during the OV. Quan asks if there is a difference between the selective masters and normal masters and if there is a difference between them. Anne states that this could be asked at the OV.

Anne states that a final point from the FSR at the OV will be the opening hours of the JB during the exam week. Anne states that the UB at Koningsplein is the only UvA location that is open the latest. Ginger states that the law library opens at 9, instead of the rest of the building at 8. Anne asks who would like to take up this point during the OV. Felix states that he could take on this point. Quan states that the FSR should talk about the opening hours with FMG, because if building A is open there is a possibility to enter the other parts of REC. Quan states that FMG could push their board for longer opening hours in their parts of REC. Felix states that the longer opening hours require more people in the library and will result in a rise of costs for loans.

Anna Schröder states that she would like to have an update on the lockers and computers. Anna de Koning states that the lockers are placed between building A and C.

Anne states that the board has two points that they would like to discuss. Firstly, the board would like to have the opinion of the council on termination of the research masters. Anne states that the boards secondly would like the advice of the council on the quality agreements.

Alexander states that he would like to ask about the lectures of PPLE, which was discussed during the first OV. Alexander states that this problem is a mass issue and that it is downplayed. Svedha states that several students wrote to the PPLE council members about the problem, but that there was no interest in the feedback from these students of the PPLE professors. Svedha states that it is promised that there will be a panel formed to look at this issue, but that there is no timeline for fixing the problem.

Anna Schröder asks Felix if the council should pursue the discussion about the curriculum of Fiscal Law during the OV. Anna de Koning states that it is stated in the OER that it is possible that students have to get more than 180 EC. Felix states that he got a dispensation and that the other students could also apply for this, but that they

do not know of this issue yet. Anne asks Felix if he would like to raise this point during the OV. Felix states that he would like to do that during the WVTTK.

**b. OER Amendments, Deadline November 12!**

Anne asks the council how OER amendments should be discussed within the council. Ginger states that this should be discussed within the separate groups that were made. Anne states that this is a good plan and that every group should have proposes ready for next Friday.

**c. CSR Budget for FSR Training Sessions – Decide on Training**

Anne states that there is a budget of 520,- euro for trainings that will improve the skills of the council. Anna Schröder states that these trainings, if the council would like to do them, need to be done before the end of December. Anna Schröder states that these trainings could be interesting for the council members.

Anne states that while Anna Schröder is on a study trip another member should take over her position. Svedha states that Anna could delegate several tasks. Anne asks if the council would like to have an interim vice chair or that Anna Schröder will delegate her tasks. The council states that they would like Anna Schröder to delegate her tasks.

**d. Budget Faculty Diversity Officers (See Mail Esther de Boer)**

Anne states that the FSR should check how the budget is used within the faculty. Quan states that this could be asked during the OV. Anne states that this is a good option and could be raised during the WVTTK.

Jinane states that during the Maagdenhuis training the plan was proposed to make a diversity week. Anne states that a diversity week could be good way to promote diversity.

**e. Accessibility Meeting (Ginger)**

Ginger states that she had a meeting with the ARBO-specialist at UvA. The ARBO-specialist stated that they are aware of the problems of accessibility, but because the building is not finished, the UvA cannot yet implement changes to the building. Anne states that this is good news, because it shows that there could be improvement on the accessibility in due time. Ginger states that this will be the WC-Krant will inform students about this issue. Anna Schröder asks Ginger when the contractor will be finished. Ginger states that the contractor will be at the end of the academic year. Quan asks if the accessibility will also be implemented in the Law-HUB. Ginger states that she does not know of that.

Anna de Koning asks the council if there could be a booklet stall at the entrance. Anna de Koning states that if there is a booklet stale at the entrance students can be informed on multiple subjects that play in the university. Anne states that she agrees to this point. Anne states that Jinane should raise this point during the OV during the mental health discussion.

**f. CoBo Delegation (Quan)**

Quan states that there are several COBO's of other FSR's and that the council members should attend these.

**3. To Dos**

TD's:

- 181102: All council members will send Anne + Anna ideas for OER amendments
- 181102: All council members will prepare for Monday's OV
- 181102: The council will decide on an interim vice chair
- 181102: 2 diversity dossier members will look into the budget for our faculty diversity officer and update Anne
- 181102: Felix and Guilliano will meet with Erik van Vonno and update the council

**4. Other updates**

Svedha states that the OC on English masters would like to involve the council in their meetings.

Quan states that he met with the chair and vice chair of JFAS. Quan states that the JFAS is a-political and does not want to collaborate on all subjects of the FSR, but JFAS is willing to work on several points. For example the diversity week. Anna Schröder asks Quan if the JFAS could put a contact link to the FSR-FdR on their website. Quan states that this would be a good idea, because many students do not know what to do when they encounter problems. Quan states that there will be monthly meetings with JFAS.

**5. WTTK**

**6. Closing of the meeting**

Anne closes the meeting at 10:48.

**TD- Felix contact OC to see what they want to do with the Law library.**