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Date Wednesday 13 March 2019
Time 17:00 – 19:00 uur
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.
Absent: Felix Wolthuis Scheeres.
Guests:
Secretary: Myron Warta

Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting

Anne opens the meeting at 17:07h.

2. Setting the agenda:

a. March 11, 2019 OV: Recap

Anna Schröder states that she was content with how the meeting went. Anne states that although Winkels was not happy about the unsolicited advice on EMO I the FSR and the board do have a good relationship.

b. Dean Reaction to OER Advices

Anne states that she is happy with the reaction of Nollkaemper on the OER advices. Anne states that the deadline of 15 o'clock was scrapped, which is good news. Anne states that she was disliked the withdrawal of the Legal English, because the board would like to wait for the skills education committee to come with a reaction on this topic. Anne states that she was disappointed about the English Master and the admission criteria that VWO English is enough for a student to be admitted these masters. Quan states that he finds it strange that the prior-level of English that students had from high school is sufficient for being admitted to the an English master. Quan states that there are students who are struggling with the level of English in the masters. Anne asks if the FSR should send an email to Nollkaemper to let him know that the FSR is pleased with his reaction on the OER advices and cooperation. The FSR agrees on sending an email to Nollkaemper to let him know that the council is pleased with his reaction on the OER advices.

c. Student Services – Brainstorm improvements for reply to CSR

Anne states that she received a request for improving the Student Services that can be proposed to the CSR. Anne states that a poll on this topic can be posted on Facebook or posters in the toilets can inform students. Ginger states that the course information on your phone is not working correctly. Ginger asks if this is a problem that Student Services can resolve this. Vanessa states that this problem is worked on at the moment. Anna Schröder states that last year Student Services was discussed many times. Anna Schröder states that at that time there were complaints from students, but that she has not have received any this year. Guilliano states that from his experience he is not content with the performance of certain employees at Student Services. Anna de Koning states that she agrees to the idea of Anne to make posters to ask students their opinion about Student Services. Alex states that the FSR will also have to have a plan b in which they will pick up this matter instead of the CSR. Anne asks who would like to take on this topic. Latif states that he would like to pick up this topic. Guilliano states that he also would like to work on this topic. Anna Schröder states that the posters have to be phrased in a neutral way.

d. Brainstorm Contribution(s) to UvA Health Week

Anne states that she was content by receiving this email. Anna de Koning states that the Health Week is during the election week. This is problematic because it can cause hectic situations. Anna de Koning states that she will send an email to Mirjam Boers and ask if the Health Week can be take place a week later. Quan states that the Health week can focus on: physical, mental health and organize workshops like yoga, mindfulness. Svedha states that she would like to help with brainstorming about the Health Week. Alex states that the CSR is organizing the Health Week and that he can talk to them directly. Anne states that the mental health dossier will have to get together soon.

e. Opening Hours A0.04 (Ginger)

Ginger states that this topic was discussed previous PV's. Ginger proposes that next block there will be walk-in hours, for example on Tuesday from 12-13h. Jinane states that only one hour for a walk-in is short. Jinane proposes that two hours would be reasonable and then from 12-14. Alex states that he is against walk-in hours because he feels that council members should not be forced to sit in the council room for two hours. Anne states that she does not see it as forced. Anna de Koning states that she agrees to Anne. Ginger states that it is only twelve weeks and that every council member would be present once. Anna de Koning states that the time of the walk-in hours can be adjusted to the agendas of the council members. Anna de Koning states that it can also be one hour, but then two days a week. Alex states that if the FSR does this it has to be communicated well to the students.

f. Meetings Green Office re: Sustainability (Vanessa)

Vanessa states that she, Quan and Jinane had a meeting with the Green Office. Jinane states that one idea of the Green Office is to have one big plant that the students have to take care of. There are also plans for making the elections more sustainable. Vanessa states that there are online shops that make pens and other products that are

made of sustainable material. Jinane states that, to increase the voting turn up at the elections, notebooks and bags made of sustainable material can be given to students. Svedha states that there is already a lot of stationary and that she does not see the point to buy new merchandise.

Alex states that he is worried that the sustainable products are more expensive and that can be negatively for the elections. Jinane states that it does not have to be negative, because the merchandise from last year was not entirely dispersed amongst students. Alex states that there are two approaches. Firstly to choose for sustainable products. Secondly, changing the priority/quantity and get products that can be reused for the coming years.

Quan states that PR would like to buy a big banner that can be reused. Svedha states that it is important that students know when to vote and that a blank space on the products should be present, that can be filled in. Anna Schröder states that date stamps can be useful for this.

Jinane states the courses on sustainability were also discussed with Winkels and he is open to this idea. Vanessa states that FEB wrote an advice to include more sustainability in the curriculum and the Green Office got involved and the board of FEB is willing to do this. Quan states that the conversations about sustainability in the curriculum at FdR will continue. Alex states that it is now the time to push this idea, because the FSR FdR can join FSR FEB on this topic.

Vanessa states that the default search engine was discussed and that this should be raised during an OV.

g. Updates Election Regulations Meeting (Latif?), Deaner, FSR Elections Information Session

Ginger states that she went to the ERM, but that only four people attended the meeting and gave basic information on the election regulations.

Deaner

Anne states that she proposed the dates to the secretary of Nollkaemper and she stated that the dates that are possible are the 15, 16, 29 and 30th of April. Anne states that she will propose the 29th of April to be the date of the Deaner. Quan states that the budget for this event will be 350 to 400 euros and the board can add more if needed. Alex asks what food will be served during the Deaner and if it will be vegetarian only or also meat. Anne asks when the Deaner will be posted on social media. Svedha states that the Google document is finished and that it will be done fast.

Elections Information session

Latif states that José will come back on this topic tomorrow.

3. To Dos

TD's:

- 190220: Council members will make comments on working agreements documents
- 190227: Alex will find out the budget and additional information about the PPLE Lustrum
- 190306: Latif will reply to Britt's email regarding election districts

- 190306: Alex will set up an informal meeting with Salomons to discuss selection criteria in the bachelor program
- 190306: Two-three council members will get the Google Drive in order
- 190306: All council members will send in PV agenda points
- 190313: One council member will reply to Sofie's email re: StS
- 190313: Deaner team will get preparations in place

4. Other updates

Letter to the minister on budget cuts.

Alex states that FMG, Medicine and CSR have not signed the letter because of the somewhat aggressive tone of it. Alex states that the idea of the letter is good, but that the tone should be milder. Anne states that she did not read the letter in that way. Anna de Koning states that the general message of the letter is good, but that she agrees to Alex in regards to the tone of it. Anna de Koning states that the numbers in the letter have to be checked. Jinane states that the quality of the student psychologists has been going down in recent years and that the workload has risen. Jinane states that less budget will not help to solve this problem. Svedha states that the wording in some parts of the letter is too hard for her. Svedha states that the letter carries an image. Latif states that the last part of the letter is normative. However it touches a topic that the FSR is against. Anna Schröder states that the budget cuts do have an effect on students and she is in favour of cosigning the letter. Guilliano states that he did not feel the sharpness in this letter and that the content was good. Guilliano states that he agrees to cosigning this letter. Vanessa states that the letter is not too abrasive.

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9 in favour 0 against, 2 abstaining, 0 blanco.

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Zuidas – Alex

Alex states that he has contacted at UvA communing (student ran group that tries to put students in contact with social projects) and that this group would like to have more contact with FDR. Anne asks if Alex can send this for the next PV.

Inwerkweekend

Latif states that the location for the inwerkweekend will be Schoorl. Quan states that there are places for 26 and 46 persons. Quan states that there is 1.5 week to finalize this. Latif states that he and Quan will go to FEB tomorrow and talk about this.

Alex states that he and Svedha had a meeting with Nollkaemper and Winkels about the OC's. Anne asks Alex to send this point for the next PV Agenda, because there is no time left in this meeting.

5. WTTK

6. Closing of the meeting

Anne closes the meeting at 19:00h.