# Minutes from the board meeting of the Student Council

Date: 15th of December 2017

#### Members of the board present:

Johan Hedegaard Jørgensen (FM), Signe Tolstrup Mathiasen (FM), Louise Mattesen Provstgaard (FM), Phillip Crilles Bacher (UB), Marcus Turunen (UB), Pia Maagaard Hansen (AR), Erik Lørup (AR), Anne-Sophie Schröder (AR), Mathilde Elisa Vendelholt, Sofie Holmbjerg, Signe Bøtzau Paulsen, Annika Roe, Julie Lund Jensen, Rasmus Duus Daugaard, Sisse Marie Sjøgren Nielsen, Morten Jensen (alternate), Nicolai Otto (alternate), 17 people

FM: Formandsskab / the Chairmanship

FU: Forretningsudvalg / Executive Committee

AR: Akademisk Råd / Academic Council

UB: Universitetsbestyrelsen / The University Board

#### Absent with abolition:

Micky Winther Ronnenberg (AR), Amanda Costa Bizarro (AR), Katrine Damberg (AR), Erik Slot Malmqvist (alternate), Mennan Şerefoğlu (alternate)

#### **Absent without abolition:**

Yavuz Inekci, Lea Holritzer Pehrson, Peter Dusan Nicic Sørensen

#### **Observers:**

#### **Point 1: FORMALITIES**

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#### **Election of conductor:**

Johan Hedegaard Jørgensen, Signe Tolstrup Mathiasen

#### **Election of minute taker:**

Louise M. Provstgaard

#### Approval of the agenda:

approved

#### **Approval of last BM minutes:**

none

#### Point 2: NAMEROUND/ MOOD ROUND

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Everyone had names and moods

### Point 3: PRESENTATION OF CURRENT COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

B/ Signe T.

- Different committees in the Student Council.
- The purpose with the committees is to divide the work internally in the Student Council
- All committees are open to the board members but also other students at RUC

#### - Committee of Internationalization and Practice (CIP)

- Is in charge of our political goals in terms of internationalisation.
- Primarily works with the conditions of international students and exchange
- Meets with the International Office at RUC and works with them on certain subjects.
- The language policy was made in this committee
- Also practical, not only paperwork

#### - Students representatives network (STUNE)

- Ensures that the different student representatives in especially the Study Boards and Institute Councils have a network where they can meet and exchange information
- Makes courses for all the student representatives at RUC
- Very crucial for understanding what is going on across RUC
- Usually have a day where they meet and discuss RUC economy, and other relevant topics for student representatives. This is very crucial in the understanding of the work of RUC.
- Different have active the committee has been.

#### - University Political Committee (UNIPOL)

- Deals with the political work of the Student Council internally at RUC

- Is especially responsible for supporting and coordinating the work of our representatives in the Academic Council and the University Board
- Turns our work into action

#### National Political Committee (LPU)

- Works with current student political issues on a national level
- Is therefore related to DSF. Our representative in LF (The National Forum of DSF) is expected to be active in LPU as well.

#### - RUS Committee

- Works to democratize the tutoring period
- Has the best potential to influence tutoring outside of it
- Has not been very well functioning the last year
- They did meet approximately 3 times this year
- They have been at different activities in the rusvejledning, just to support and evaluate their work

#### - RUC'ers By Choice (RBC)

- Is the main social branch of the Student Council
- Works fairly autonomous
- Arranges big parties like the semester start party, summer party etc.

#### - FANE (Academic Network) not a committee

- Not a committee, but a collaboration between the Student Council and the unions Djøf and Magistrene
- Arrange a number of academic courses each semester in written exams, group exams, note techniques etc.
- It's not really a committee because it's mostly Djøf and Magistrene hosting it, and also because it's not only up to us to decide which courses to do.

#### - The election group

- The only closed committee (only for members of the board)
- Begins the work with the Student Council's election strategy, criteria for our candidates etc. in the spring semester
- When the election coordinators have been elected they take over the work of the election group (in the fall semester)
- Open for all board members to be a part of.

You don't have to choose a committee right now, we will do this in January.

This is the current committees, therefore the board can decide which committees we want or don't want.

UNIPOL is the only one we need to have.

### Point 4: PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

B/ Johan

#### - Introduction:

- We are going to discuss the role of the executive committee/forretningsudvalg.
- The executive committee maintain the daily work of the Student Council
- If students need help
- Larger political issues between the board meetings.
- Ensure the strategic goals of the Student Council for example elections.
- Their competence is up to the board to decide.
- The chairmanship is a part of the executive committee.
- Deals with anything which we need to respond on pretty fast.
- Mostly about national politics because that needs a fast respond.
- The board of the Student Council can redo any decision made by the executive committee.
- Another thing the executive committee is doing is the student handbook.

#### - Discussion of the "kommissorium":

- A translated version of the "kommissorium" is needed. This should be done.

#### "Sammensætning"

- The chairmanship, four members of the Student Council, two seats is reserved to UB og one to UNIPOL chairman.

#### "Konstituering"

- Has to make sure the yearly plan is fulfilled.
- We haven't done a yearly plan yet, but we'll come to that
- Should we make a yearly plan? Would it make sense to not do it and just work with the "arbejdsplan"?
- Don't change it, because there is a difference between the year plan and the "arbejdsplan". For example the boat race. The year plan is more specific.
- We agree not to change it.

#### "Kompetencer"

- It is weird it says can/should. If doesn't make sense that you "can do" something when another option is "you should".
- It depends on the context, because they should react.
- Make it more specific.
- Add should/can
- All in favour approved.
- We will decide for each point.

#### "Igangsætte projekter"

- Can is a fine word
- If it says should, it kind of cancel the "can"
- If we need to, we can change it.
- Maybe use the word "burde" and "bør"

- Keep it as it is.
- Replace it with should.
- It probably doesn't mean that much
- The board can always revise it.

#### Vote between can/must

- can: 4 - must: 1 - blanc: 7

#### Sideordnet afstemning:

- three proposals
- Leave it as it is: 9
- Can: 5 - Must: 1
- Leave it as it is: 8
- Can: 3

Decision: we leave it as it is.

- Comments on the fact that it says national political priorities, and not RUC's political priorities. This should stay as it is, but is worth keeping in mind.

#### "Arbejdsgange"

- Last year the Executive Committee had meetings every Tuesday morning.
- Orientations from the executive committee to the board is really important so that everyone knows what's going.

#### "Underordnelsesforholdet til bestyrelsen"

- The first sentence is crazy. It needs to be more specific.
- The Board can tell the executive committee what to do at the board meetings and then the executive committee can do it between the board meetings.
- Solution "Add "at board meetings".
- Vote for the paper:
  - Approved.

#### Point 5: ORGANIZING THE WORK IN THE BOARD

B/ Signe

#### Introduction:

- Write to Johan if you want anything on the agenda before the deadline
- Attend the board meetings
- In the future: it should say if it's a decision, orientation or discussion point on the agenda.
- Always have orientations on the agenda, which will be sent out with the

- appendix. An orientation from the chairmanship and one from committees. Even if there is nothing really specific to orientate about. Orientation from the subject councils is also nice, but it's up to the subject councils.
- Orientation is important because it is a great way to keep everyone informed. You can then read it before the board meeting, when it is a written orientation. Then a oral orientation if needed, or just questions at the board meeting.
- Board seminars each semesters. Dates are on Facebook, but not for the fall semester. It hasn't been decided yet.
- Everyone will get a student council email. Heidi Silke will make it for everyone in the board. Calls for the board meetings will be send out on that mail.
- We also have a drive. Everyone will get access. Signe will add everyone.
- There are folders for all the committees in the drive. Minutes from board meetings. Contact lists. List over all the committees.
- Signe will make a drive-tour at some point.
- The point with the drive is to have a common place where we can share everything.
- The last point of the board meeting will always be "coming tasks". This is for us to help each other.
- There will be a post in the Facebook group where people type in which mail they want to use for the drive.

Discussion on how we should do the work

- Nothing to add.

#### **Point 6: ADOPTION OF RULES OF PROCEDURE**

B/ Johan

#### Introduction:

- To set down the rules of procedure for the board.
- It's not the version with the changes from last year

#### Discussion:

- "Artikel 1"
  - § 1: no comments
  - § 2: no comments
  - § 3: no comments
  - § 4:
    - Only sent the appendix once and not twice. Delete "3 dage".
    - No one against: only one time: 7 days before.
    - Minutes been uploaded to drive. Should we continue doing that or should they be sent out by mail?
    - Sent out the approved minutes to mails.
    - If everyone should see it, we should send it out by mail.
    - It can however be confusing if we sent minutes out by mails.
    - We can still put it up on drive, but upload the final minute to the webpage and drive.
    - Upload to our website, which needs to be done.
    - Proposal to approve the minute as the last thing on the meeting so that they can be uploaded right away.

- There is a lot of editing that needs to be done before uploading it on website.
- It can be difficult to upload it right away because then no one can check the minute before uploading it.
- Minutes on the appendix for the next meeting.
- Decides on how many days after the minute needs to be ready.
- Proposals for chances for the minutes should be at the next board meeting

#### Vote for:

- Drive or mail?
  - We do it on drive. (We write it directly into drive and it will be available right away)
- How long after?
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- Website deadline?
  - One week after we approve the minute: a week after the next board meeting (7 days)
  - two weeks after the next board meeting: 2
  - 7 work days after the next board meeting where it is approved: 10 (vedtaget)
- §5: Mandatory for "faste observatører". (vedtaget)
- §6: Suppleanter får deres suppleant plads tilbage hvis vedkommende fra orlov kommer tilbage.

#### Artikel 2

- §7: no comments
- §8: no comments
- §9: no comments

#### Artikel 3

#### -§10:

- propose that the meeting as a starting point will be held in English. Appendix should always be in English. The board can dispensate from this in case there is no English speakers.
- Write in from our language policy:
- "All board meeting minutes and agendas should be written in English. On that ground all board meeting minutes and agendas are linguistically equally accessible for English and Danish speakers. A unanimous chairmanship or a majority in the executive committee can dispense from the above. If a dispensation is given, point a) and b) enters into force.
- $a)\ any\ participant\ of\ the\ board\ meeting\ is\ entitled\ to\ a\ translator.$
- b) the following point of the agenda held in Danish should always be translated afterwards.

Despite the earlier mentioned, it should be noted that no participant is

forced to speak Danish or English during a board meeting"

- ^so that we shouldn't say that all appendixes should be in English.
- We can say that they should be available in English.
- Make it a priority but not something we have to do.
- We should decide who should then translate them.
- The executive committee should figure out who translates appendixes if we decide to do so.
- We should make it a rule that we should translate appendixes into English.
- In order to make it more English speaking, so that the non-danish members also have access to orientations.
- We will write orientations in English, but large papers which can be difficult to translate would take a lot of effort to translate, therefore it should be a prioritize but not said in stone.
- We can't tell the subject councils to write orientations in English.
- Orientations by the Student Council should be written in English.
- We should have a further discussion about this on the board seminar.
- Decision to add the part from the language policy and then discuss it on the seminar.
- §10: no comments
- §11: "add one or two"
- §12: no comments
- §13: no comments
- §14: add "mandatory" to the observers.

#### Artikel 4

- §15: no comments
- §16: "not if it disturbing to the meeting". It's up to the conductor whether or not it is disturbing.
- §17: delete "the first".

Konsekvensret det og ret alle paragraffer så nr. passer.

Agree on the whole paper: everyone approved.

"Bilag til Forretningsordenen"

- Change: Delete "så medlemmer".
- Move the (AR) to behind "Akademisk Råd"
- Change "formand for Akademisk Råd-gruppen" to "formand for UNIPOL"

Agree on that paper: everyone approved.

#### **Point 7: ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**B/** Conducters

"Election of the executive committee" Running: Rasmus Duus Daugaard Elected: Pia (UNIPOL-formand), Marcus (UB), Rasmus Duus Daugaard Reserved seats: Pia (UNIPOL-formand), Marcus (UB)

There is still one open seat in the executive committee.

#### Discussion:

- This makes an unbalance between the board and the chairmanship, since there is three of each.
- Therefore it is really important that the executive committee writes orientations, so that the board can see what the committee is doing.
- The executive committee is open, so that if anything seems suspicious join the committees meeting and see what's going on.
- If it happens often that the chairmanship overrules the decisions on the committee, we will evaluate what to do.

#### **Point 8: ELECTION OF DSF REPRESENTATIVE**

**B/** Conducters

Running: Mathilde Elisa Vendelholt, Pia Maagaard Hansen, Sofie Holmbjerg Elected: Mathilde Elisa Vendelholt, Pia Maagaard Hansen, Sofie Holmbjerg

## <u>Point 9: HANDOVER FROM FORMER BOARD + COZINES IN JANUARY</u> B/ Louise

At the 11th of January the board will meet and get to know each other. Workshop as a handover from the former board. And decision of which committees you want to be part of.

Debate about what the current board would like to get a handover of from the former board. It's hard to know, what you don't know, so it would be nice if "old people" consider what they would have liked to know, when they started.

Proposal for speed dating, a good way to ask questions.

Keep in mind how new the board is, avoid abbreviations and internal comments. proposal for handover in how to do campaigns and how to do strategy papers. something about the evolution of the Student Council, the history of the Student Council at RUC and the student movement in general. What kind of organization we are.

This is what we did, which worked. This is what we would have liked to do, if we had had the time, or would have done differently.

Proposal for beers and soda in the evening.

#### **Point 10: A.O.B**

nothing.