

# Minutes from the board meeting of the Student Council the 8th of May 2019

## **Members of the board present:**

Katrine Damberg (CH), Mathilde Elisa Vendelholt (CH), Lea Holritzer Pehrson (CH), Michael Marigliano (EC, AR), Maria K pke Kjeldsen (EC), Calvin Carlson (EC), Signe B tza Paulsen (UNIPOL), Marc Backhausen Erichsen, Rasmus Tronier Hansen, Casper Valentin Otto, Thorkil  rb k, Bastian Winther Danielsen, Micky Winther Ronnenberg (UB), Erik L rup (UB),

**Absent board members:** Sif Stockholm, Erik Slot Malmqvist, Phillip Crilles Bacher, Cecillie Haumann M ller.

**Observers:** Freja H y Hansen (AR)

## **Visitors:**

CH: Chairpersonship

EC: Member of the Executive Committee

UNIPOL: Coordinator of UNIPOL

UB: Member of the University Board

AR: Member of the Academic Council

Abbreviations: O = orientation, DE = decision, DI = discussion, WS = workshop

## 1: Formalities

**Election of conductor:** Calvin & Mathilde

**Election of minute taker:** Maria

**Approval of the agenda:** Approved with amendments

**Approval of last BM minutes:** Approved

## 2: Orientations (O)

Key box – located behind the door in the small hallway, the wall in front of the subject council office. For the board and the unions. The code needs to be a secret. Remember to close/lock the door behind you. Feel free to use the office as your own.

National election – Subject Councils are planning a debate the 14<sup>th</sup> of May. Please tell Katrine if you have something you would like to share, for example PR things.

Demonstration - 28<sup>th</sup> of May

Bastian have a meeting with a gymnasium in Roskilde regarding the national election.

Marc: Borgerforslag from DSF. Marc will like the board to share what he posts on FB.

Calvin/RUC'ers By Choice: please sign up as bartenders for the Summerfest the 17<sup>th</sup> of May.

Roskilde Festival 2019: please share FB posts regarding volunteering at RF19 with SR.

### 3: New RUC Strategy (DI)

B/ Micky

Strategy Seminar – RUC’s strategy for the upcoming 3 years. ‘Strategy New RUC’ (2015-2020). Hanne/Rector will like to focus on research. RUC does not have a clear image right now. PPL is under pressure.

The opinion of UNI-POL: internationalization – we are not doing enough. We have to create an international environmental and have more international programmes.

DI: the board agrees.

#### Sustainability

DI: we have obligation to focus on this, however, we are not working enough on implementation.

#### PPL

DI: PPL is everywhere now. We should stop being so proud of this.

We are not getting enough supervision anymore.

Focus more on the social side. Project group work should be a social thing.

Interdisciplinary work is so important, but we are getting fewer and fewer options. We need to have more power over our own studies. Our programmes are getting more streamlined, which is a shame.

Master programmes, more fixed combinations, so you don’t get to choose your own combination. Students should take the responsibility back in terms of their studies. It is the students’ responsibility to reflect on their combination choice and why it works.

Focus – how we are doing this in a special way. Move more away from being classical university.

Should we even have PPL? In the spirit of RUC should we try something different?

#### Branding

DI: RUC has tried to change their image, but it has not worked. We need to be ourselves. We should brand ourselves as being a political university – hereby meaning have a political focus.

RUC should be better at displaying their researchers.

We have an identity – we should focus on that. First of all, you are a RUC’er, be proud of that. We should focus on the social side of studying. Getting the right students not just a lot.

We are not a second choice.

We are a social university.

We are unique.

#### Political university

DI: We should have a political voice.

If the government makes a proposal or decide on something where we disagree, we as a university should speak up about it.

#### How are we going to compete with other universities? Should we compete?

DI: We can’t beat KU at being KU. We have the ability to choose and design our own studies, which we should hold on to and increase the amount of options.

We have experimented with our university model – others have not.  
We should fight for keeping our bachelor students, so they also take their master programme here – make more programmes and more specific programmes.

Are there anything internal that require focus?

DI: was not brought up.

Have Implement missed any big issues/focus areas?

DI: was not brought up.

## 4: Student Well-being (WS & DI)

B/ Helle Lausen from Special Guidance Service & Katrine

By law students have the same options to finish a university degree regardless of special needs/disabilities.

It is difficult for RUC students to feel a part of a community because of the structure – they are only in a certain environment for a short amount of time.

It is too difficult to get in contact with the administration – a big threat to thriving.

What a lot of these students actually need is to blend in and have a sense of belonging in a group/community. How can you be a part of something without actually doing much? For example SR – it is difficult to be a part of without really committing to it and putting in a lot of work.

How do you wish to increase thriving at RUC?

What can we do to prevent mis-thriving?

DI:

Reach out to a center in Roskilde – they can hold speeches about these issues. It could be a way of helping the special guidance services.

SR should demand RUC to do something – we should discuss what we can expect of RUC.

It is difficult to get help with group work – both in terms of supervision, but also with group dynamics.

We should push for a ‘student-ombud’.

Maybe we could start something called ‘puste-rummet’. However, we should keep in mind that as the student council, we can’t run faster/work more in order to create this kind of space for other students.

Lack of community at RUC, RUC should work on improving the structures.

Our role as SR should be to look at RUC’s structures and be critical.

This is a task we can’t solve alone.

We and RUC can increase awareness about this.

We can call on RUC to make things less pointless.

There is not support for project group work. We push people into this and then hope for the best. However, they do not have the skill or the knowledge to lift this task.

RUC needs to change its pedagogical model, because it is not working.

SR could create a forum to discuss these issues where all students are invited.

We will discuss this more another time. It is not possible to set down a working group now.

## 5: Internationalization Paper (DE)

B/ Calvin

It passes with amendments.

## 6: A.O.B. (O)

B/ Katrine

Dilemma debate/panel discussion hosted by Djøf - Katrine will be a part of the panel.  
Public sector discussion. Katrine will be speaking on behalf of SR and our policy papers.  
If you have any dilemmas regarding the public sector in DK, you can contact Katrine.

B/ Mathilde on behalf of Micky

Roskilde Indstillings Udvalg . They need 3 student representatives in their board.  
Discussions about student dorms in Roskilde - Who should have access to the dorms in Roskilde? Long waitinglists, ect.  
If you would like to be a part of this board, you can contact Micky.

B/ Katrine

The 9<sup>th</sup> of May 17.30 - Campaign Secretariat Office at KU will open.  
Putting education on the national agenda.  
The doors will always be open, if you would like to help out with the campaign.