

## Minutes, board meeting of the PhD student section at LTH

**Date:** 2012-05-29

**Time:** 17:00-18:30

**Location:** Kårhuset

**Attending board members:** Ufuk Kirik, , Fredrik Ejserholm, , Malin Jonsson, Ivaylo Vasilev, Vahid Sohrabpour, Karl-Magnus Persson

**Other present:** Johan Richter, Mikael Noven, Daniel Hanfi, Daniel Sjöberg, Sofia Falvik Svensson, Omar Sharif Chaundhry

**Absent board members:**, Kerstin Hoyer, Karl-Magnus Persson

**Protocol number:** 2012:6

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§1	<b>The chairman opens the meeting</b>
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§2	<b>Was the meeting correctly called</b>
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§3	<b>Election of one person to co-sign the minutes</b>
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Malin was elected to co-sign the minutes.

§3.1	<b>Election of one person to be the meeting secretary</b>
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Fredrik was elected to document the meeting protocol

§4	<b>Approval of the agenda</b>
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Since Kerstin could not make it to the meeting, a secretary for this meeting was needed. The agenda was approved with the addition of point §3.1.

§5	<b>Last meeting protocol</b>
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We went through protocol 2012-4

§6	<b>Report from instutions/Departments</b>
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Immunotechnology: Still no information about what will happen with the institution now when Medicon Valley is starting up.

EIT: There are a lot of dissertations, but there are quite a lot of new positions available and they are searching for people. EIT are working on a document with rules about a dissertation.

Physics: There was a big meeting where they decided that astronomy and theoretical physics will not join the physics department. But the last word is not said because the board of the science faculty will discuss this matter more.

IKDC: They are celebrating that IKDC is 10 years old.

Math: Working on a strategic plan, but nothing really new. Planning to get the faculty of science and engineering to collaborate more.

Building and environment: Will have a meeting in August to get all the phd students together.

Electrical measurement: Nothing new. But ended up on a meeting with the board of education for the government and said that being a phd student doesn't count as work for non-Swedish citizens, they are working on it.

## **§7 Report from the co-opted participants**

TLTH: The board of LTH will have a meeting and discuss how LTH will divide research grants. Mikael will leave TLTH and Omar will take over as one of two vice presidents for TLTH.

## **§8 Report/Info from the committees/members of the board**

### **a. Chairman – UK**

Högskoleverket will redo the phd-handbook. They want to do interviews with phd students, Ufuk got contact information if anyone will participate.

A couple of articles about different phd educations, eg Denmark and USA and if it is better to have 3 or 5 years. Ufuk got these if anyone is interested.

### **b. SR-Dokt (Educational) – KMP & MJ**

Nothing new, will have a meeting tomorrow.

### **c. PLUME – KH**

Had their second meeting about communication and networking. It is going on fine, except that some phd students have quit the program. They are having discussions with Region Skåne about getting funding in the future.

d. Activities group – IV

Welcome dinner feedback: It was a good event, but it was hard to find enough people to attend the dinner. We should spread the information more and better in the future.

There are several plans for upcoming activities:

- Going to Lomma beach, and have some activities there, the question is when to do it.
- Soccer tournament together with Fun@Fysicum
- Doing something in Oct/Nov in Malmö
- Have a BBQ before the summer?
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e. Homepage and economy – FE

Sent in the report to the IRS for last year's bookkeeping. All bookkeeping for last year is now done.

f. Other?

Nothing

**§9 Election procedures in Dokt – Sofia**

The regulations of Dokt states that there should be:

- One person in charge of the elections on the section meeting.
- One person in charge of the election for external comities, this person should be in the study council.

However there is no one in charge of the election for external comities in the study council, to be precise there is no one that has this position. Maybe should we have to persons in this position; since it is quite a lot of work.

Malin will bring this to the study council tomorrow, and she hopes that the position will be filled before the summer.

**§10 Reaching out to members**

There is a big problem that it is impossible to reach our members. And one thing might be because a lot of the PhD students don't change their section to DOKT when they become a PhD.

- We might need to create a phd-guide, one that will be sent out to all new PhD students, together with the information from SULF etc.
- Or should we have a newsletter that goes out to all PhD-students every 3-4 months?
- Shall we go to the different departments and take a fika and tell them about what we are doing?
- Is it possible to get a link to our webpage in LTH-nytt?

We decided that we should check some things first:

- Ufuk : Will make a design of the newsletter and start making some of the information that we would like to send out to all new PhD-students.
- Vahid: Will be in charge of the design of the information we would like to send out to all new PhD-students.
- Vahid and Ufuk: Will present DOKT at the introduction course for the new PhD-students.
- Fredrik: See if it is possible to handle newsletters on our website.

#### **§11 Upcoming events**

*Sångarstriden*

Malin and Frida (main) are responsible for the whole thing.  
The work is ongoing and, created a facebook page and talked to a lot of people.

#### **§12 Next board meeting**

Ufuk will do a doodle.

#### **§13 Other questions**

There were no other questions

#### **§14 Short communications**

No short communications for this meeting.

#### **§15 Closing the meeting**

**Signatures**

**Ufuk Kirik**

Chairperson

**Fredrik Ejserholm**

Secretary

**Malin Jonsson**

Co-signer