



FSR-meeting

Date 18-09-2015

Location JK B0.05

16:00-17:45

Minutes

Presents: Samantha van den Hoek, Nickardo Postma, Victor Oprea, Mink Perrée, Mick Fruytier, Rinus van Grunsven and Tijmen de Vos.

Secretary: Renée Bijvoets

1. Minutes previous meeting 16.05

Minutes of 18-09-2015 are agreed upon.

2. Announcements 16.07

The building will close at 17.45.

Nickardo asks the council to send their suggestions for the rules of order in case there will not be enough time to discuss it during this PV (Action point 150925-01).

3. Determine agenda 16.10

1. Minutes previous meeting	7. Occupation of the FSR room
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3. Determine agenda	9. Teambuilding
4. Update fileholders and CSR-representative	10. BSc Split: E&BE
5. MO-FEB	11. Rules of order
6. Letter FGW	

4. Update fileholders & CSR-representative 16.18

E&M - Victor: Mostly discussed the bachelor split and this will be discussed during the PV.

O&M - Rinus: Contacted Artur to meet with some people of the UvA but waiting for a response.

CSR- Mink: Mink was unable to attend the meeting of the CSR and will send his update after receiving the minutes of the PV (Action point 150925-02). The CSR and the GV discussed the profile sketch that will be made to find the new members of the CVB. Tijmen adds that the problem is that the democratisation committee will also give an advice that will be binding; as long as this advice is unknown it will be difficult to find new members, due to high job insecurity. Tijmen also adds that the main request from the activist groups is more transparency, however, as Mink explains this is not possible because of the confidential information of the hiring process.

5. MO-FEB 16.26

Samantha goes over the agenda for the MO-FEB and explains which points will be discussed, namely the reform of the UVA, research facilities, accreditation in November (important also for the Bachelor split), the allocation model for education and research, blended learning by Peter van Baalen. If there are any topics that Samantha should bring forward in the meeting the council can send their suggestions to Samantha (Action point 150925-03).



6. Letter of FGW

16.28

The FSR received a letter from the FGW that was directed to the CSR. The FGW would like to have more input, room for discussion, and transparency in the process of the profile sketch for the new CVB members. The FGW asks if the FEB and the other faculty councils want to sign their letter or write own letter. Most of the council members agree with the letter written by the FGW and also believe there should be more transparency in the process. Mink do raises the concerns that it will be difficult for the faculty councils to get input from students. Another concern raised is the deadline set for the profile sketch, namely the 7th of October this creates a lot of pressure on the CSR. The letter of the FGW also touches upon this point and critiques the supervisory board for given such a short timeframe. The concern of the FGW that there should be more transparency of the CSR to the FSRs is discussed in detail as well, as Mink and Rinus state it is the role of the CSR representative to make sure there is enough transparency between the CSR and the FSR. Unfortunately and again due to the short timeframe it was difficult for the CSR to consult all the individual FSRs before deciding on the procedure. After voting, the FSR has decided to support the letter of the FGW. The secretary of the FSR FEB will send a mail to the FGW to let them know that FSR supports the letter and will ask whether it is allowed to put the letter on the website (Action point 150925-04).

7. Occupation of the FSR-room

16.53

Tijmen explains that FMG has a system where there is always a council member in the FSR room. Tijmen suggests setting up a similar system and always having a council member in the FSR room between 10.00 and 15.00. The benefits of such a system is that it will be easier for the students to come to the FSR room in case of any problems, furthermore, it will help the council itself to be motivated to work for the FSR. When the council is complete, this would mean that everyone has to be present in the FSR room for half a day in the week.

The council discusses the idea: Mick firmly agrees with this idea, however Mink and Victor find the idea very problematic due to their busy schedules and the fact that it is difficult your schedule ahead. Mink proposes to shorten the time frame and make it for example between 12.00 and 14.00, then every council member only has to present for two hours every two weeks. Samantha suggests that Rinus and the O&M committee will discuss this proposal further and come up with suggestions to A) increase the visibility of the FSR and thereby B) include the idea of the occupation of the FSR room (Action point 150925-05).

8. Clothing

17.01

Samantha has prepared several options for clothing for the FSR. The purpose of wearing FSR clothing is to create more exposure and visibility of the FSR. Mick suggests another option, namely the "crewneck". After voting the FSR has decided to order a crewneck, Mick will prepare an option for which colours/logo the crewneck will have and this will be discussed during next PV (Action point 150925-06).

9. Teambuilding

17.18

Samantha has prepared several options for a teambuilding event for the FSR. The other council members add suggestions as well. After voting the FSR has decided to do an escape room as the team building activity. The treasurer will look into the budget for the teambuilding activity and has to decide whether a dinner is included or whether this will take place at someone's house (Action point 150925-07).

10. BSc-split E&BE

17.25

Samantha received a new version of the Bachelor split for Economics and Business Economics during the meeting. The new bachelor will consist of one separate bachelor for Business studies, and one bachelor for Economics and Business Economics where the first three semesters are common. However, to provide students with a more easy way to switch from Business to E&BE or the other way around, there is a common 12 points course.



Today, the FSR discusses the E&BE proposal. With this program the first three semesters are the same for everyone, after the third semester you chose your major, in the third year first semester you can chose a minor or go abroad, and in the last semester of your study you specialize and write your thesis.

Broad overview of the new E&BE program:

First semester		
Principles of Economics and Business		
Accounting	Finance	
Macro		Macro
Second semester		
Micro	EMO	RP
Maths	Statistics	
RP	RP	
Third semester		
Money & Banking	Int. Money	
Statistics 2	Econometrics	/

Some points to discuss: One of the problematic courses was the 12 points course of Finance and Accounting in Semester 2, however, the new proposal made two 6 points courses that the FSR is more content with. Some concern raised is with Maths in the second semester, in the current program this is a binding course, therefore it is important to find out whether Math will also be binding in the new proposal. Another concern is raised regarding the Macro-course in the first semester, right now it is spread out over the whole semester, however the course is not given much importance in the first two blocks, this is regarded as problematic by some of the council members. Some of the members would also like to have more focus on the history of economics and more pluralism in economic teaching. The concern remains, however, whether students are able to decide which track to follow right from the start and if only one course is enough to make this decision. On the other hand, the common course functions more as a way to help students decide whether they made the *right* chose, rather than making the chose at all. Some earlier concerns are eliminated though; the language of the common course has been switched to both Dutch and English.

11. Council pledge

17.42

Tijmen suggests to all sign a sort of "pledge" in which the council members state they will be motivated to work for the council and, for which ever reason one of the members is not motivated anymore he/she will voluntarily resign his/her position. The pledge is in no way legally binding, however, it will help the council to stay motivated and also motivate each other whenever necessary. Anyone who agrees with signing the pledge should hand it over to Tijmen next week (Action point 150925-08).



ACTIONPOINTS

150903-02 Samantha will check whether the working agreements are fully translated.

150918-01 Mink fill in the datumprikker send by Rinus for the CoBo.

150918-04 Mink keep in contact with Camilla and ask what her decision is regarding her position in the council.

150918-05 Samantha will send an email to Ruben (the secretary of Sefa 2014-2015) to ask if everyone of list Sefa can resign.

150918-10 Mink meet up with Jan Dijk to discuss your role as treasurer, and also ask him about the allocation model (to what extent will the removal of N+1 affect the FEB and can the FSR see the budget of last year).

150918-12 Mink request the "omkosten vergoeding" for the first month.

150918-13 Nickardo and Renée plan the OVs for the whole year.

150925-01 Everyone send your suggestions/changes for the rules of order to Nickardo before Wednesday 30th of September.

150925-02 Mink send the update of the CSR after you receive the minutes of the PV.

150925-03 Everyone send the topics you think should be discussed during the MO-FEB meeting to Samantha.

150925-04 Renée email the FSR FGW that the council supports the letter and ask whether it can be put on the website.

150925-05 Rinus put the FSR occupation and FSR visibility on the agenda for the O&M meeting.

150925-06 Mick prepare an example of the crewneck for the FSR clothing.

150925-07 Mink check the budget for the FSR teambuilding event.

150925-08 Everyone hand over your signed copy of the FSR pledge to Tijmen.

Pro-memory

150925-01 When the council is complete, Tijmen will be responsible for taking a picture and making the relational gift. The council has chosen the option of ironing the picture on the pillow.

