



FSR-meeting

Date 09-10-2015

Location JK B.88

16:00-17:45

Minutes

Presents: Nickardo Postma, Victor Oprea, Mink Perrée, Mick Fruytier, Rinus van Grunsven, Mourad Farad, Swiss Jurriens, Ioana Nicolau, and Tijmen de Vos.

Absent: Samantha van den Hoek

Secretary: Renée Bijvoets

1. Minutes previous meeting 16.00

Minutes of 02-10-2015 are agreed upon.

2. Announcements 16.09

Nickardo will be the technical chairman for today.

3. Determine agenda 16.10

1. Minutes previous meeting	7. Silence
2. Announcements	8. Blended learning
3. Determine agenda	9. Allocation model
4. Update fileholders and CSR-representative	10. Budget FEB
5. Introduction round	11. Dinner
6. Outcomes discussion yesterday	12. File division

4. Update fileholders & CSR-representative 16.10

Victor: The E&R did not have a meeting this week. As a fileholder Victor met up with Ellen de Jong and will talk about this next week in the E&R committee. Victor is still trying to arrange a meeting with Peter van Baalen.

Rinus: Has to arrange a meeting with Hinke Nijman. O&M met and the idea is to have a permanent think thank group on Facebook. The idea is that everybody who is interested can join the Facebook group and it can be used to gather more input from students. Tijmen will start this group today, please invite your friends who you think are interested in this to the group (action point 151009-02).

Mink: Regarding his files, with the course evaluation it is difficult to find enough students who follow the course econometrics (in the economics bachelor). So please invite your friends to the evaluation (action point 151009-03). Regarding the CSR most information was send by mail. Information about internationalisation is often difficult to find for students, therefore they realise to late that they would have like to go abroad. Furthermore, an important topic is the profile sketch. It is decided that someone from the CSR will join the committee. The action groups, the CRS and the CRM wanted more time and a month and a half extra time is given to gather more input. And the teacher of the year kick off is postponed.

5. Introduction round 16.17

All council members introduce themselves for the three new council assistants.

6. Outcomes of the profile sketch discussion 16.22

Last week the council decided that at least everybody would try to bring in three people. Tijmen states that yesterday there were only three people who were all invited by Tijmen, so everyone should step up their game next time. Mink says that what struck him mostly was that also on the event not that many people were invited so it is clear that not everyone did there best. It is disappointing that this was discussed during the PV and that people did not do their part. Also, if you do not agree with setting up something like this also please point that out in the PV or if you are already aware you will not be able to do your part than also say that.





The focus of the discussion was on the characteristics of the new rector and chair. Points that come out of the discussion were: openness to new ideas, approachability, and closeness to the students as important characteristics. Mink will forward the content of the discussion to Lianne Hooijmans. The FSR has to write an advice for the CSR before Tuesday 12.00.

Regarding the overall advice, Tijmen suggests the following:

- To wait with deciding the chair until the advice of the democratisation and decentralisation committee is known.
- Decide upon the rector before. This could be done through selecting three professors who could potentially be the new rector, then have students vote upon them.
 - o Arguments against: will there be applicants if the procedure will include voting? Will students vote seriously? Are students involved enough to decide on who is capable as the rector?
 - o Argument in favour: The rector is directly involved with education matters and should therefore be chosen by students.
- To build on the idea of Tijmen, Swiss suggests the following: 1) The committee for the appointment procedure will make a list of potential candidates, 2) from this list the supervisory board can select three applicants they feel would be appropriate to be the rector, 3) students and staff can vote upon these three candidates.

Mink, Tijmen and Swiss will write proposals for an advice for the CSR, this will be send to the rest of the council who then need to vote upon the proposals (Action point 151009-04).

7. Silence room

16.49

Last week an empty room was changed into a "silence room". The idea of a silence room is that people can come here to meditate, relax or pray, however, everything it is a silence room and quietness is mandatory. The current policy of the university is that they don't want such a room as it might harm the public nature of the university. In Tijmen's view this is an old view, also because the university facilitates lots of things for the students (bars and sport facilities), thus something as a silence room would only make sense to add. The council will discuss whether they agree of such a room. Two council members are highly against the room, while the majority of the council is in favour. After voting the council is in favour of a silence room. However, some important concerns are raised about the content of such a room:

- It should be a neutral place; there shouldn't be any attributes or things of a religious nature.
- There should be rules and this should be regulated as well. When people feel disturbed in the room they should be able to point this to someone of the UvA (Facility Services).
- It should be facilitated by the UvA and promoted as a room for silence, where meditating, praying and relaxing is possible as long as it is done in silence.

Tijmen will write a statement about this and send it the rest of the council, who will have to reply by email whether they agree with the statement (Action point 151009-05).

8. Blended learning

17.08

The CSR is working on the file Blended Learning. A rapport was written about this and Mink summarised the recommendations. Mink would like to know of the council members what they think are good ways to implement Blended Learning at the FEB, and also what would be potential threats of such a learning system.

- Advantages:
 - o It gives new opportunities
 - o If more people can study at home this could be positive for the amount of students applying for the UvA, as rent prices are so high in Amsterdam
 - o Skype meetings with teachers
- Disadvantages:
 - o Risk of losing the "FEB community"
 - o Weekly lectures help you with time-management
 - o More students wanting to use the learning facilities of the UvA if they have to do larger parts online (thus are there enough study places and computers)
 - o Is there enough structure for students new at the FEB

The question is raised who wants to inform her/himself more on the topic of Blended Learning. Swiss is interested in this file and the available information will be send by Mink (Action point 151009-06). Furthermore, Blended Learning is moved to the E&R committee, Nickardo will send the transfer file made by the FSR 2014-2015 and next week the file division will be discussed in the PV (151009-07).





9. Translation of files

17.24

Mink explains that he receives a lot of documents from the CSR that are in Dutch, this means that whenever he wants to discuss these topics with the FSR he needs to translate them. Mink therefore would like to know if the council agrees that documents sent by someone else that are in Dutch are sent to the council in Dutch and will be translated with Google Translate by the International council members. The rest agrees. However, anything written by you should be written in English.

10. Allocation model

17.27

Mink explains that this year the allocation model will be a recurrent topic for the CSR and therefore the CSR is deciding on how to design these discussions throughout the year. The CSR would also like to have the input of the FSR in designing this, thus the question of Mink is what would the FSR like of the CSR regarding the allocation model. The points that are raised are: communication between the FSR and CSR should go via Mink and preferably with each decision the CSR makes first council the FSRs (suggested by Mink and agreed upon by the rest). Furthermore, the issue is raised of a veto right for each faculty council; Mink will bring this point to the CSR. For input of students the thinktank group can be used. Lastly, it would be appreciated if the CSR provides more regular information about this topic to students.

11. FEB Budget

17.34

Rinus received the budget of the faculty of Andre Oosten. Whilst it is still a temporary version, there will not be any huge changes made anymore. Rinus discussed the budget with his faculty and the following questions were raised that Rinus will discuss with Andre:

1. According to the budget there will be more students at our faculty, while Tijmen read an article of Folia that there would be fewer students at the UvA in total. What does this mean for the FEB?
2. In the realisation of 2014 and the expectation of 2015 there are quite some huge changes in the "other income" box, and the FSR would like to know what has caused these changes.
3. There will be spend half a million extra on Faculty Services and the FSR would like to have an explanation.
4. What are the "Overige dienstverlening GDS"? And why has the amount increased compared to last year?
5. "UvA printen" will decrease and the FSR would like to know what this means? Will people print less or will there be fewer printers?
6. The additional budget for education is decreasing, however, will there be enough budget allocated to Blended Learning?
7. What is the Int. Jaarrekening 2009 exactly?
8. What and where is the Faculty library and why is there a slice in the budget?

(Action point 151009-08).

12. Dinner

Now that the council is complete the idea is to plan a dinner. Mick will send out a datumprikker (151009-09) that everyone should fill in as soon as possible.

Remark

For the new council members:

- Make an email address: firstname.fsr.feb@gmail.com
- Send your student number to Renée

(Action point 151009-10).

Mink points out that the CSR would like to do a 'tour the faculties' and the FSR needs to think of something to do with the CSR. The plan is to invite the CSR for drinks on a boat. Therefore, everyone who knows someone with a boat will look into this (action point 151009-11).

Mink also points out that so far only two council members have been going to the constitution drinks and this is quite unfortunate. So for the other council members the request to come to the constitution drinks, especially the ones of other faculties.

Rinus will have to miss the PV of 16-10.





ACTIONPOINTS

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). Meeting is set for next week on Friday.

150918-12 Mink request the "omkosten vergoeding" for the first two months. This will also be done next Friday.

151002-01 Everyone write a piece about yourself for on the website. Use the template of last year. Send this to Nickardo.

151002-03 Mink prepare electronic learning environment.

151002-09 Think of the rules of order of section 4.04: voting on persons when someone is absent.

151002-10 Samantha send the housestyle logos to Mick

151002-11 Mick prepare a new example of the crewneck.

151002-12 Everyone should work on translating the working procedures file on the drive.

151002-14 Mink put on Facebook the times that the FSR room is open for student questions.

151009-01 Everyone fill in your availability for the FSR room occupation.

151009-02 Everyone invite your friends to the Think tank group made by Tijmen

151009-03 Everyone invite people you know for the Econometrics course evaluation

151009-04 Everyone respond to the proposals written by Mink, Tijmen and Swiss for the advice for the CSR (Regarding the rector selection procedure).

151009-05 Everyone read the statement about the silence room, written by Tijmen, and respond by email whether you agree with the statement.

151009-06 Mink send the files of Blended Learning to Swiss.

151009-07 Nickardo send the transfer file to Ioana, Swiss and Mourad .

151009-08 Rinus and Tijmen discuss the questions regarding the budget with Andre Oosten

151009-09 Everyone fills in the datumprikker send by Mick/Nickardo.

151009-10 Ioana, Swiss and Mourad make a fsr.feb mail address and send your student number to Renée

(fsr.feb@gmail.com)

151009-11 Mick, Ioana and others who know someone find out how much it costs to rent a boat.

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.

151009-02 Respond to questions on Whatsapp.

