



## Plenary meeting (PV)

Date 02-06-2016

Location JK B.88

16:15-18:15

### Minutes

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

Absents: Samantha van den Hoek

Secretary: Yirong Lo

#### 1. Opening and determine agenda

16.20

Nickardo opens the meeting and determines the agenda:

1. Opening and determine agenda	6. Proposal Grading list
2. Determine minutes of previous meeting	7. What is good teaching
3. Announcements	8. Transfer weekend
4. Updates file-holders	9. Questions and closure
5. Rules of Order	Remarks

#### 2. Determine minutes of previous meeting

16.30

Minutes of 26-05-2016 are approved.

#### 3. Announcements

16.31

- Tijmen: has to leave early because of an OC meeting at 17:00. Rethinking Economics event on 15<sup>th</sup> of June. UvA Summer Festival on 23<sup>rd</sup> of June. Sefa party at LANX tonight.
- Mink: next week will be my last PV.
- Ioana: problems with the administration of the finances, I have sent the treasury files again. Lunch with the Dean event is on Facebook, invite people! Not present at next PV.

#### 4. Updates file-holders

16.36

Mink: attended the first meeting of the principles courses. They came up with a case-study and chose coffee as the theme. They are trying to find a 'famous' professor to teach the course. Furthermore, I had a CSR meeting about the Supervisory Board (UvA-HvA).

Mick: worked on the OER and will be discussed in this meeting.

Tijmen: attended the committee meeting of the workgroup about the binding advice with finance and real estate. Talked with the OC chairman (Joris). Attended the implementation committee meeting. Attended the presentation of the CvB members. Will be attending the OER 'workshop' next Wednesday. Looked into finances with Rinus for the next year: allocation model, pre-investments, treasury, etc.

Mourad: attended a meeting with Florian about economic pluralism. He liked Damsma's idea of the 'heterodox answers to orthodox problems' course. He wants to make it a restrictive elective course (=optional course in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year). It cannot be made mandatory because it is not research-based, and there is not enough student avocation. Furthermore, discussion: what is good teaching.

Rinus: attended the campus meeting and sent an e-mail about catering. Rinus is thinking about doing another council year.

Swiss: attended a meeting with the education directors about Blended Learning. The budget has been presented and is available upon request. Next, planning a meeting for advice on the implementation.





## 5. Rules of Order

16.55

In order to preserve the mandate of the council in case five (or less) out of ten seats are filled after elections, Nickardo proposes an amendment to the rules of order.

The current rule states:

If necessary, only by unanimous decision, voting rights are granted to Council Assistants. The voting rights can be deprived by unanimous decision by the Council Members.

Proposed amendment:

If necessary voting rights are granted to Council Assistants. When granting voting rights, each Council Member has one vote. Voting rights can only be granted by unanimous decision by all Council Members. The voting rights can be deprived by unanimous decision by the Council members in similar fashion.

Mick suggests a second amendment:

Remove the chairman's decisive vote in case of a status-quo. However, in order to do so an alternative 'decisive vote' must be implemented in to the rules of order.

Mink suggests, in such situations, to write an advice without putting positive/negative.

Tijmen mentions to set up rules for e-mail voting. He suggests that voting must be within 24 hours, unless specified otherwise. If not voted, that will count as abstaining.

Voting in two parts: first 24 hours to make amendments, if there are no amendments then it is passed. If there are amendments, then a second voting occurs within another 24 hours.

The council will be voting on the amendments in a few weeks.

## 6. Proposal Grading list

17.10

Mourad states that they have come to a compromise with the education directors. The proposal of the grading list is: Only the last obtained grade will be shown, indicating with a star (\*) whether the course is passed at the first attempt. It will be implemented once the education directors pass it UvA-wide.

## 7. OER

17.13

Mick states that the council need to give the right of consent on the joint-degree OER. After the advice of the council, the following amendments have been made:

- Regarding thesis grading deadline: rule of 15 working days is stated.
- Regarding exemptions possibilities: not necessary.

The missing 5.0 rule has not been changed. The council agrees with the current OER, however the 5.0 rule needs to be the same as in the regular OER.

## 8. What is good teaching

17.25

Mourad states that the education directors are concerned about this topic. They mentioned that the quality of education is decreasing because students are not putting enough in. The reason would be that the quality of teaching is decreasing. Therefore the education directors are having a brainstorm session. Mourad thinks it might be a good idea if the council also brainstorms on this topic.

Tijmen states that there are professional education researchers for this, the council does not have to brainstorm because our standpoints are obvious: smaller workgroups, less talking by the teacher, make students actually do exercises and present it in class, more discussion in class, etc.

Victor suggest to pick some courses and use it as examples for input.

Mourad explains that the VU uses a students-teachers-administration framework, so that the objectives are clear for everyone.

The council agrees to let education researchers do the brainstorming first and see what they come up with.

## 9. Transfer Weekend

17.38

The council will leave for the transfer weekend on Friday at 16:00. Bring sleeping bags!  
Samantha will give a presentation and the activities will be similar as last year.





**10. Questions and closure**

**17.40**

-Mick would like to hear topics for the next Toilet Paper: Lunch with the Dean, introducing the new council members, catering.

**Remarks:**

-Rinus mentions to pay attention to e-mails since they are not discussed in the meetings. Therefore it is easy to overlook and forget.

-Tijmen heard that starting next year, there will be no course coordinators present during exams. The council thinks that this does not make sense.

Closure 17.44





## **ACTIONPOINTS**

- 160428-01 Tijmen make sure that there are flyers (send what needs to be adjusted to Samantha)  
151120-04 Rinus make sure to start the promotion and evaluate the promotion after one week and think of the next steps to take.
- 160512-04 Mourad ask Wagenaar to make a "permission statement" that the council should be part of the curriculum committees on the content of courses.
- 160519-01 Samantha respond to Naomie about student assistants.  
160519-03 Mink ask the people on the list of Sefa that don't want to be in the council to resign. They have to send an email to [csb@uva.nl](mailto:csb@uva.nl) (they have to send it themselves).  
160519-05 Mink ask Koen Vermeulen about the teaching certificate BKO.
- 160526-01 Mink discuss with the CSR whether the rules of order of the CSR can be changed so that a council assistant can also be the FEB representative.  
160526-02 Samantha set up a meeting with Massimo (together with Mourad).  
160526-03 Mourad write a statement regarding the "Nominal is Phenomenal".  
160526-04 Mick discuss with the OC their position regarding the 5.0 minimum rule.  
160526-05 Samantha discuss with the OR their position regarding the OER.  
160526-06 Mick request another 'emergency meeting' to discuss the OER for Tuesday 31-05.  
160526-07 Nickardo look up the rights of the FSR in court.  
160526-08 Mink find out what will happen with fiscal economics in the new BSc.  
160526-09 Nickardo put in the new PV time in the transfer week schedule.  
160526-10 Everyone deadline of the transfer documents is Thursday 02-06!!  
160526-11 Tijmen sent the data about the 'second-year-dip' to Mick.  
160526-12 Samantha confirm to Reimer that Tijmen will discuss the OC-evaluation on Thursday 02-06.

## **Pro-memory**

- 151009-02 Respond to questions on Whatsapp.  
151113-01 Actively invite students for the course evaluations (& Mink inform the council on time when the evaluations are).  
151120-01 The council works according to the working agreements.  
151211-01 During events you are representing the FSR, so no looking on your phones and act excited!!  
160218-01 Updates should be more elaborate.  
160414-01 Everyone try to bring at least 1 friend to the course evaluations.