PhD council meeting  
Department of Psychology

Annual Meeting for the PhD council the 16 May 2013

Present at the meeting  
Stina Cornell Kärnekull  Henrik Nordström  Marianne Jakobsson  
Anders Sand  Tina Sundelin  Sarah Thomas

1. Opening of meeting  
   Anders Sand is the president of the meeting.

2. Election of secretary and certifier  
   Stina is the secretary and Henrik the certifier.

3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting  
   Approved.

4. Approval of agenda for the current meeting  
   Approved.

5. Discussion of the budget proposal to the department board

   a. The work life seminars
      The general structure for the seminars was approved. For the budget in the fall 2013, DR aims to invite 4 speakers (i.e., 4 seminars). DR will later make a template for the speakers so they know what we expect from them. DR further discussed that it is a rather large responsibility that DR lays on the next presidents, but that DR as a whole should help and give suggestions for invited speakers.

   b. The content of the budget
      DR discussed whether we should apply for 600 or 800 kronor per seminar. It was decided to apply for 800 and that the number of seminars should be a bit flexible, and that we can specify in the budget that DR aims to invite 8-10 speakers per year. If we are not able to spend all that money, we could probably spend them on other kind of meetings (e.g., “theme days” with PhD student only). Further, the 2000 kronor for welcome lunch for new PhD students will be applied from Studentkåren.

   c. The “coverletter”
The letter was approved.

6. Reports

a. **Department Board (Institutionsstyrelsen)**
   Nothing in particular to report other than we have a new personal- och resurshandläggare Camilla Nelson.

b. **Professors’ group**
   This meeting was cancelled.

c. **Social Science Faculty Council (Samhällsvetenskapliga fakultetsrådet)**
   Different discussions, such that there is now a Områdesnämnd. They also discussed differences in compensation for teaching between departments, and that the Psychology department is the only department that has 1700 hours of working hours per year (compared to 1200 h for the other). Forskningsservice was brought up and DR could potentially contact them for informational seminars.

d. **Equal Rights Committee**
   Malin not present.

e. **Work environment Committee**
   Cecilia not present.

f. **Institute for Applied Behavioral Science (ITB)**
   Nothing to report.

7. Other issues

a) Henrik needs help with finishing the compilation of documents for Phd students. Stina and Anders will give input. Pehr had previously expressed that as DR took the initiative to put together these documents, DR is also the one to update it if necessary. DR does not agree and will, if necessary, bring this up at higher levels. Sarah will help with English translation when needed.

b) A BBQ in the end of the semester was planned for Monday the 3rd of June at 16.00 pm. Sarah will ask for money, Anders, Henrik, and a few more will buy the food etc. Stina will send out an invitation.

8. Closing of the meeting

*Minutes are written the 18th of April 2013 by Stina Cornell Kärnekull*

Secretary Certifier

Stina Cornell Kärnekull