Meeting for the PhD council the 20th September 2013

Present at meeting
Henrik Nordström  Tina Sundelin  Marianne Jakobsson  Anders Sand
Stina Cornell-Kärnebull  Lena Låstad  Malin Mattson

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

2. Election of secretary and certifier
   a. Stina Cornell Kärnebull is secretary
   b. Lena Låstad is certifier

3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

4. Approval of agenda for the current meeting

5. Reports
   a. Department Board (Institutionsstyrelsen)
   b. Professors’ group
      Stina: Jesper Alvarsson, Malena Ivarsson, Kristina Langhammar, and Cecilia Stenfors are going to defend their theses. The budget was presented and cost-saving strategies were discussed. For example, therapy hours for Psychology students will be reduced from 50h to 25. There will be saving for courses as well. At DR we discussed the fact that there are rather few courses for PhD students.
   c. Social Science Faculty Council (Samhällsvetenskapliga fakultetsrådet)
      New president is Erik Strannegård. Cecilia Bergengren new studiebevakare. Three main topics: payment for teaching? Co-authorship? Salary? How do the faculties differ with regard to these questions? Faculty board: Discussed the suggestion to transform SU from state agency to foundation. The faculty is against.
   d. Equal Rights Committee
      Malin: Confusion regarding who will replace Cecilia Stenfors as president. At last meeting Malin attended there was a discussion regarding potential gender discrimination with the new financing system for PhD students that are financed
from project and department. It was argued by some in the committee that this is a question that should be raised and treated in DR, and not in the equal rights committee. DR does not agree. First, DR has to decide if we think this is an important question- Malin will bring this up at next DR meeting. (Anders will email Per Granqvist and ask for details of the new system) If the answer is yes, the question is how we will pursue the issue.

e. Work environment Committee
Tina will replace Cecilia for the rest of the semester.

f. Institute for Applied Behavioral Science (ITB)
Not much to report, except that ITB has started to make teaching films (e.g., statistics). At the Department board Mats Najström encouraged the department to initiate film, especially the more senior, researchers at our department and present at the department’s web page.

6. Short update of work-life seminars in fall semester: Anders
   a. 24th September: Catharina Lewin (Tuesday)
   Potential AO persons to invite: Sara Göransson, Teresia Stråberg
   Also, Tina suggested Stina from COGMED.
   We will try to “advertise” the upcoming seminars, for example posters in the corridors.

7. Other issues
   a. Lena mentioned that Teaching appointments committee at samfak (läarfofrslagsnämden för lektorer) now has to interview applicants for lecturing positions at SU.

8. Closing of the meeting

Minutes are written the 20 September 2013 by Stina Cornell Kärnekull.

Secretary Certifier
Stina Cornell Kärnekull Lena Låstad