PhD council meeting
Department of Psychology
Participants: Ivo Todorov, Nichell Gonzalez, Sebastian Cancino, Anders, Sand, Henrik Nordström

Agenda for the PhD council the 25th of May 2015

1. Opening of meeting
   Andrea Niman is president of the meeting.

2. Election of secretary and certifier
   a. Anders Sand is secretary
   b. Ivo Todorov is certifier

3. Minutes from previous meeting was approved

4. Agenda for the current meeting was approved

5. Reports
   a. Department Board: Henrik
      i. Pehr has put forward a suggestion that the course credit
         requirement for the PhD program will be lowered by 15 HP, to 75
         HP. But this will be further discussed at the meeting the 26th of May
      ii. Stockholm University Brain Imaging Centre is in take-off phase.
   b. Professors’ group: Andrea
      i. 32 applications for the PhD program, a decision will be made on June
         9th
      ii. 18 applications for associate professor in cognitive psychology.
      iii. 19 applications for departmental Post Doc.
      iv. There will be a department conference at 20-21st of August.
   c. Social Science Faculty Council: Sebastian
      i. Other departments, for example the Department of Political have
         recently decreased course credits from 90 to 75 HP.
   d. Central Doctoral Council: Sebastian
      i. A suggestion have been put forward that PhD students should not be
         able to grade students alone but need a “course supervisor” for the
         actual grading. The PhD council sees several negative aspects with
         such a suggestion. This will be further discussed at the Central
         Council.
      ii. A national examination of all PhD educations will be carried out by
         Högskoleverket.
      iii. A more clear job description for PhD supervisors will be carried out.
e. **Equal Rights Committee:** Kristina
f. **Work environment Committee:** Nichel
   i. A rest room in 258 in house 14 is ready
   ii. A basketball court may happen!

**Institute for Applied Behavioral Science (ITB):** Ivo
   i. ITB gives out 750 kr for buying literature for all employees.
   ii. There is an initiative that PhD’s with a background in clinical psychology should be more involved in ITB lectures and projects.

6. **Spring PhD-event**
   a. The PhD spring event will occur on Friday June 5th.

7. **Other issues**

8. **Closing of the meeting**