PhD council meeting
Department of Psychology

Minutes from the PhD council May 2, 2016

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1. Opening of meeting

2. Election of secretary and certifier
   Henrik, Joel

3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

4. Approval of agenda for the current meeting

5. Reports
   a. Department Board: Henrik
      • The department will change to “time-edit” for booking lecture-halls. This system is possible to connect with TV-screens visible for the students, in house 8 for example.
      • The strategic plan was thoroughly discussed.
      • Stockholms Psykologiska Klinik have had their first meeting
   b. Professors’ group: Henrik
   c. Social Science Faculty Council: Lillian
   d. Central PhD Council: Sebastian
   e. Work environment/Equal Rights Committee: Nichel
      • There will be a lecture on ergonomics at work (date not set yet)
      • Massage will be offered once a week (instead of every second week)
      • There are now podiums in the lecture halls
      • “Time-thieves” will be investigated. A survey will be put in your postbox
   f. Institute for Applied Behavioral Science: Ivo
      • Almost decided: 500 kr for books for 2016

6. Ongoing projects/issues
   • Improvements to the thesis-progression template
      • A spreadsheet would be good
   • Work life seminar series
      • Tonya Pixton, still no reply
      • Jelena Corovic, invited early next semester

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• Anders will ask Jesper Alvarsson if he can come this semester
• Digitalization of the UD-bulletin board/booking system
  • Fastreg could perhaps be used to advertise for participants

7. Suggestions on how to make it easier for PhD students to get teaching
   • Problem
     • The present system depends too much on the supervisor/informal networks
     • It is difficult to get teaching as a newly accepted PhD student
     • Senior lecturers have too much teaching (PAO wants to hire)
   • Suggestions
     • A system for teaching-mentorship (a senior lecturer, not the supervisor)
     • Shared course-leadership (with the mentor perhaps)
     • At least one PhD-student in every course
     • Make it mandatory to give newly accepted PhD-students at least 5% teaching (if desired by the student)
     • A More formal way of informing new PhD students of how the current system works. A seminar with information together with more senior students, senior lecturer-mentors, or student-mentors.

8. Department Spring event
   • Friday 3rd of June
     • Invite Lars Bergman. Have a Tipsrunda in the Hage. Cater some food and supplement with grill-gods by Ivo.
     • Responsible crew: Joel, Max, Sebastian, Lillian, Henrik, Diana, Ivo

9. PhD Spring event
   • Wednesday 16th of June
   • Same activities as last year (Brännboll etc)

10. Other issues
    • Economy
      • If you spend money on behalf of the council: Give the receipt to Andreas and he will give it to the administration staff

11. Closing of the meeting