

Board Meeting, 10

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The Board 21/22

Association of Foreign Affairs, Lund



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Attending: Henrietta Kulleborn, Miljaemilia Wala, Christopher Fletcher-Sandersjöo, Jan Trudrung, Jette Strohschneider, Sofia Gierow, Chunchu Song, Caroline Danielsson, Bahadir Sirin, Ismar Didic, Johan Schneider, Christoffer Nielsen, Camilla Castelanelli, Ondrej Gomola, Rebecca Majewski, Nicolas Jendi, Karolina Boyoli, Annie Anderek

Co-opted: Victor Åstrand

Not attending: Emma Rohman, Linnea Svensson Rotberg, Eveline Verhaar

1. Opening of the Meeting

Henrietta Kulleborn opens the meeting at 17:20

2. Election of Chair of the Meeting

Henrietta Kulleborn is elected chair of the meeting at 17:20

3. Election of Secretary of the Meeting

Christopher Fletcher-Sandersjöo is elected secretary of the meeting at 17:21

4. Election of Attesters and Vote Counters of the Meeting

Rebecca Majewski and Karolina Boyoli are elected as attesters and vote counters of the meeting at 17:22

The board agrees to change the attester as Karolina Boyoli is in Estonia

Christoffer Nielsen is elected as vote counter and attester instead of Karolina Boyoli at 17:23

5. Approval of the Electoral Roll

The electoral roll is set at 15 and approved by the board at 17:24

6. Approval of the Agenda

Christoffer Nielsen wants to add another point (18.1 Kick-out) about the kick-out

The updated agenda is approved by the board at 17:25

7. Decision Point: Ratification of PC Decision

No PC-decision has been made

8. Information Point: Working Group Update

Senior Collegium: Password issue fixed, meeting on Wednesday

Active members fund: Rebecca Majewski, Ismar Didic and Annie Anderek sent in a motion and will discuss more soon

Spring conference forward: Ismar Didic goes through the progress report:

- **Biggest challenges**
 - Security and health crisis

- US NATO ambassador speaking
- Panel discussion
- Location: Gustafscenen 13-18
- Taking in application
- Partner with T-BAR
- How to get in more speakers?

Sofia Gierow asks when is it?

Ismar Didic says the 5th of may

Jette Strohschneider says that marketing is a working progress.

Henrietta Kulleborn says that it is good with a budget update. More detail about their spending.

Karolina Boyoli also wants more budget info. So far it looks like we can use grant money. Borrow money from the grant or Lecture?

Henrietta Kulleborn says that this money is from MCUF and needs to be sent back to them if we don't use the 10,000.

Jan Trudrung says we can't use the money from last semester.

Karolina Boyoli wonders how this is different from any other panel discussion/lecture?

Henrietta Kulleborn says that the board members in the project group can bring this up in their next meeting. In the document it says that non-UPF members can attend for free. This is different from normal lectures and I want the board to give their opinion on this.

Jette Strohschneider wonders what happens if we make a profit?

Henrietta Kulleborn says that it goes to our savings.

Jette Strohschneider is therefore for having non-members to pay an entrance fee.

Karolina Boyoli says that they should pay because we are now removing the incentive to become a member. In regard to hållbarhetsveckan then Daniela (Social science union) is in charge.

Ondrej Gomola refers back to a previous board meeting where we discussed incentivisation and free entrance for non-members goes against this discussion.

Christoffer Nielsen says that we can have a stance at the event where they can sign up to be a member.

Jette Strohschneider suggests different ticket prices. For 1 event, 2 events etc.

Jan Trudrung wonders how we can control it?

9. Information Point: Spring Forward Conference Update

This point has been discussed so we are moving to the next point

10. Information Point: EU representative update

Christopher Fletcher-Sandersjö says that the major theme in this meeting was to encourage students to apply to the EU

11. Information Point: Q3 Report

Jan Trudrung goes through the quarterly report.

- *Any big expenses are not yet included.*
- *All committees should be at 75% in regard to expenses, so far, they are not.*
- *Some changes in money and Jan are updating the budget for affected committees.*
- *Approach Jan for questions.*

Camilla Castelanelli joins the meeting at 17:45

Miljaemilia Wala wonders why entrance revenue is 12,000 and in brackets.

Henrietta Kulleborn says that when the budget was created they only included what they would get back. But this is a problem for Visma, so changes were made.

Sofia Gierow says that lecture aren't spending their money and are wondering if they should spend money just for the sake of it?

Jan Trudrung says it's problematic because all dates are booked.

Henrietta Kulleborn says that there is a document about how the grant money should be spent. A collective sum? It looks better if we spend the money but if we don't spend everything then the money will be allocated to next semester. Use it for investment for lectures and fika. Use the money that is allocated for the spring semester.

Nicolas Jendi joins the meeting at 17.52

The board agrees to update the electoral roll to 17 at 17:52

12. Information Point: Theme Week Cancellation

Karolina Boyoli gives a quick summary.

13. Break: 15 min

The board agrees to a 10-minute break at 17:53.

Henrietta Kulleborn adjourned at 17:53

Henrietta Kulleborn opens the meeting at 18:03

14. Motions

14.1. Creating an emergency response mechanism

Johan Schneider explains why the motion is written.

This needs to be approved at the annual meeting this autumn but the board should decide upon this.

Rebecca Majewski emphasises the PC-decision so everyone can vote, not everyone can attend the extra board meeting.

Ondrej Gomola says if we add the possibility of PC-decision then we remove the possibility for discussion which is very important. Advantage to have it earlier. No pc-decision but it is practical.

Jan Trudrung wonders where one draws the line of global events. Here the discussion is important. Did they think of this?

Rebecca Majewski says that it is a good point. The discussion was to change the process.

Sofia Gierow says that one could always have a PC-decision.

Karolina Boyoli says that this motion does not do anything that we already can do. If we want something that makes us more flexible then have the possibility of calling an emergency meeting a lot quicker. We are allowed to have a PC-decision but that gives us a democratic deficit.

Henrietta Kulleborn says that she didn't approve of a PC-decision in regard to Russia-Ukraine because of the importance of discussion. What we say is something that the organisation needs to stand behind. Henrietta Kulleborn says we need to vote no because the board can't change the statutes. Formalia needs to change, one needs to add what point that will be changed. Agreed with Karolina Boyoli that this motion doesn't really change anything.

Ondrej Gomola (POC) wonders what the difference is between policy and statutes?

Henrietta Kulleborn says our documents are ordered according to hierarchy. Statutes are on top.

Ondrej Gomola asks if we want to change the amount of business days to have an extra board meeting then a change of statutes is required?

Henrietta Kulleborn says yes.

Rebecca Majweski says that she didn't know about Henrietta Kulleborn decision of not having it a PC-decision or about the policy/statutes issue.

*Miljaemilia Wala agrees with Ondrej about changing the required business days. It will make a difference. Have **days** instead of business days. Wording will make a difference.*

Jan Trudrung (POC) wants to clarify the difference between business days and days.

Miljaemilia Wala says business days is working days (mon-fri)

Ondrej Gomola says that we can use this discussion to send in a motion for the annual meeting.

Henrietta Kulleborn says that Ondrej's proposal and how it is phrased won't change anything. The reason she wants to keep 3 days is so everyone can read the documents and form an opinion. Can change the "business" issue.

Miljaemilia Wala thinks that no one will take 3 days to read because it will more than likely only have one document for the meeting.

Ondrej suggested ending the debate and motion writers to send in a motion for the annual meeting.

Miljaemilia Wala (POC) states the need for two annual meetings to actually change the statutes.

The board agrees to end the debate 18.22.

Henrietta Kulleborn suggests that we won't approve this motion and discuss changes on Slack for the annual meeting.

Ondrej Gomola removes his proposal.

The board rejects the motion by acclamation at 18:25.

14.2.Active members fund

Rebecca Majweski summarises the motion

- 5000 Sek
- 15-16 people
- 100 per person.
- Two options
 - Merch or summer party
- Nice thank you for all active members

Miljaemilia Wala thinks that a summer party is better but how will they spend 5000 Sek. Can we make both of them happen?

Jette says that PR prefers a summer party because we don't have enough merch for all active members. Companies have raised the price of certain merchandise.

Chunchu Song says it is hard for everyone to decide on a date for a summer party but prefers it.

Johan Schneider says that the super secret kick-out team wonders if one can merge the board kickout with this? We can spend the money.

Ondrej Gomola says that merch lasts longer and should maybe consider the first option.

Camilla Castelanelli says we have 14 bottles and 6 mugs. Will give some away for a pub quiz. It Costs 5200-5300 Sek to order more merch. Can't buy less than 50 bottles. It Takes 1 month to arrive.

Nicolas Jendi wonders about medals for active members? Is it possible?

Ondrej Gomola says that we already have had this discussion.

Henrietta Kulleborn says it is possible, send in a counter proposal.

Miljaemilia Wala says that Karolina Boyoli already sent in a motion but got rejected. Board will get a medal.

Bahadir Sirin wonders how much merch will be given out? It's not feasible. Will the board medals be given out before the ball?

Rebecca Majewski says we don't have a figure on active members. Karolina Boyolis' motions about medals were rejected hard!

Jette says that the summer party is an experience. Stop the heathen worship of material goods!

Jan Trudrung thinks that a detailed budget would be good for the summer party. Easier to plan for a summer party.

Henrietta Kulleborn points out that 5,000 sek is already allocated for active members. Operational plan says that we should have an open and inclusive environment. Vote through the summer party and if you don't spend all, then it's fine.

Rebecca Majewski agrees with Jette.

- *Summer party don't need to include alcohol, we can make a more detailed plan about activities. Maybe make use of leftover merch? Winner gets merch.*
- *After an expensive event like a ball, nice with a free event.*

Karolina Boyoli asks for end of debate

Board agrees to end the debate at 18:40

Jan Trudrng says the people that plan the board kickout get in contact with the people that will maybe organise the summer party.

Henrietta Kulleborn says the voting will be through a raise of hands.

The board agrees to allocate 5,000 Sek for a summer party at 18.43

The board decides to update the electoral roll to 16 at 18:44

14.3.Extra funding for Travel committee

Caroline Danielsson goes through the motion.

- *Raise of prices due to global situation*
- *Purpose of the motion is to get extra funding.*
- *Recommends to allocate money from savings and foreign correspondents fund.*

Miljaemilia Wala wonders why they are asking for 5000 from foreign correspondent funds and 4000 from savings and not all money from foreign correspondents fund.

Caroline Danielsson says that someone might want money from the foreign correspondent fund and didn't want to take it all.

Ondrej Gomola wonders how much savings that we have?

Jan Trudrung says that we have enough savings for the trip but shouldn't be used for this kind of activity. You shouldn't wait for others to apply for the foreign correspondents fund and just apply for all.

Nicolas Jendi doesn't understand the wording: is it to finance UPF activities so individuals don't waste their own money?

Caroline Danielsson says yes.

Henrietta Kulleborn wonders if the content they will produce that is mentioned in the motion is the one they would have made either way?

Caroline Daniellson says yes.

Henrietta Kulleborn says if one applies for this fund then one needs to produce more and have a plan for who one will interview and have clear goals.

Jan Trudrung wonders how much the entire trip will cost? How much of a difference would it make?

Caroline Danielsson says tickets cost 4000 and before it would cost around 1000-2000 Sek. Additional costs such as food and travel. Have already used money from their own savings.

Miljaemliia Wala wonders if everyone already bought their tickets and this is more about compensating people more in Istanbul?

Caroline Danielsson says that people already have dropped out and are afraid that more will do that if more activities will be planned.

Miljaemilia Wala isn't against giving money from the fund but needs a more detailed plan about what they will produce and that people will do that.

Henrietta Kulleborn agrees about giving them money and to the rules applied.

Henrietta Kulleborn asks the board how much content should be expected to be produced? Is it fair to not compensate them if the requirements aren't met?

Ondrej Gomola points out that the fund hasn't been used and isn't against applying. The point of travel is to compensate. Is against applying monetary value to our content because everything is free.

Henrietta Kulleborn wants clarification about monetary value? We don't pay our writers?

Ondrej says yes and thinks this problematic from an editor's point of view.

Bahadir Sirin says it might be better to look at how many events will happen and how many people will join them.

Ismar Didic says that he is for more podcasts with ambassadors and politicians but how will this be different from previous content with previous travel? We can already do this through zoom for example. Is for this though.

Caroline Danielsson wonders if this has to contribute to the media committees.

Henrietta Kulleborn says yes as long as it produces exclusive content for our media committees. We have already approved of this.

Caroline Danielsson says that they hadn't discussed exclusive content and there is a short amount of time. We can perhaps have a pod with someone on the spot? We will do this no matter what. We can discuss the content.

Rebecca Majewski says that it is weird to be paid for writing an article.

Ondrej Gomola says that travel can strive to guarantee an increase in content produced. He is in the travel committee and knows what to do. Alleviate financial pressure. People should be aware that not much more content will be produced due to time pressure.

Nicolas Jendi says that one won't be compensated to write but be compensated to travel which is the essence of their motion. Can be mentioned in their content. Don't see the need for guarantees.

Henrietta Kulleborn sees the point of Nicolas but it is important to discuss. Should market it better in the future. If they go to Istanbul then they can interview people on the streets. That counts as exclusive content. Can do it in connection to the FBA grant. Asking questions related to international affairs, this solves the dilemma. Can figure out the question in advance.

Debate ended 19:07

Caroline Danielsson asks about changing the motion so they only get the full correspondents fund and take away money from savings.

Caroline Danielsson wants to merge her new motion with the original motion.

The board approves **on the amendment of the motion regarding extra funding for the travel committee:**

We propose the board allocates 8000 kr from the association's foreign correspondence fund to the travel committee's budget.

To guarantee that the funding is used appropriately, the travel committee will produce additional media content such as an additional podcast or article related to the UPF Travel trip. at 19:10

15. Break: 15 min

Board agrees to a 10-minute break.

Henrietta Kulleborn adjourned the meeting at 19:10

Henrietta Kulleborns opens the meeting at 19:20

16. Presidium Reporting Questions

16.1.Presidents

No questions

16.2.Secretary

No questions

16.3.Treasurer

No questions

16.4.UFS Representative

*Miljaemilia Wala doesn't understand the phrasing of the point of Almedalen week
Karolina Boyoli says that each year UFS go to Almedalen. All political figures/organisations go there. Hard to get there. UFS are letting people know that they can sign up, not sure when. UFS wants to know what kind of seminars they should organise? What lecturers? It's messy at the moment.*

17. Committee Reporting Questions

1. 17.1.Activity

Christoffer Nielsen wonders how many people have signed up/paid?

Rebecca Majewski says 97 have signed up.

Is tomorrow the last day to sign up or pay or both?

Chunchu Song says both. Technically an extra week is allowed but won't say to the public. They always get questions after the deadline.

Christoffer Nielsen says that then their committee members can book a ticket after the deadline?

Rebecca Majewski says yes.

Henrietta Kulleborn asks if they need the full 10,000 even if not fully booked.

Chunchu Song says they will make it.

Ondrej Gomola wonders if they can remind his committee on Tuesday?

Rebecca Majewski says yes.

Rebecca Majewski says that everyone should remind people to buy tickets to the UPF ball.

2. 17.2.Career

Camilla Castelanelli wonders if the sponsored event should be promoted? They have money for it.

Johan Schneider says it's an exclusive event so maybe not necessary. There is another FBA event in the works, maybe for that one?

Henrietta Kulleborn says that they need to use the FBA Money. Need to market 6 lectures and 4 seminars. That is more pressing so make it an open event.

Sofia Gierow wonders if they make it an extra lecture, will that be fine?

Henrietta Kulleborn will get more information before getting back.

Camilla Castelanelli says they have money for 3 lectures and 2 seminars.

3. 17.3.Lecture

No questions asked

4. 17.4.Magazine

Ondrej Gomola hasn't received the latest issue.

Nicolas Jendi says that some addresses were missing in the file from the secretary but not enough to mention the number of losses. More magazines in the offices so tell people to pick them up.

Bahadir Sirin says that this is a recurring issue after discussion with the secretary and previous magazine heads.

Henrietta Kulleborn wonders if they have contracted Sasnet?

Nicolas Jendi says no but will do.

5. 17.5.Pod&Radio

No questions

6. 17.6.PR

No questions asked but received applause

7. 17.7.Travel

No questions

8. 17.8.Webzine

Miljaemilia Wala wonders about the lawsuit scare.

Ondrej Gomola says the source was legitimate and had a phone number. All sorted out and picture removed. Website on its way.

Jan Trudrung wonders from what article?

Ondrej Gomola says in his article from spring 2021.

18. Other Points

18.1 Kick-out

The planning group of the kick out are planning a wonderful event to kick us out but don't have a budget. The board members will have to pay. Is that okay? Date 4th of June.

Rebecca Majewski wants to know what event to have a clear answer.

Christoffer Nielsen wants to keep the event secret. Maybe 100-200 SEK.

Miljaemilia Wala says we have money for board events. What will happen with that money? Can't that be used for our kick-out.

Henrietta Kullebron doesn't understand the remaining balance of that budget post. The association has always paid for kick-offs because they have value (workshops etc), kick-out is just fun. So the association should use the money long-term.

Ismar Didic wonders if it will be close to Skanör or somewhere fun?

Christoffer Nielsen says that the working group has just met and therefore nothing concrete has been decided upon. Won't travel far from Lund though.

Henrietta Kulleborn isn't against paying but shouldn't be too much.

Christopher Fletcher-Sandersjö says that he is poor as fuck so maybe not.

Christoffer Nielsen wonders if we can take money from active members' funds?

Henrietta Kulleborn says that money is for active members and board members get other stuff.

Bahadir Sirin asks what date?

Henrietta Kulleborn says the 4th of June.

19. Confirmation of Next Board Meeting

21st of April

20. Meeting Adjourned

Henrietta Kulleborn adjourned the meeting at 19:51



Christopher Fletcher-Sandersjö,
Secretary



Henrietta Kulleborn, President



Rebecca Majewski, Attester



Christoffer Nielsen, Attester