



**ASSOCIATION OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

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Board Meeting V

2024-01-11, 17:00

Eden 222B, Lund.

Board of 23/24

Association of Foreign Affairs Lund

Present: Claudia Muñoz-Rojas Domínguez, Karolina Markusson, Seth Engellau, Dalija Logar, Antoine Vincenot, Nora Eliassen, Francisco Cobos Cabral, Fabio Cavaliere, Natalie De Souza, Ronja Lamberg, Edwina Magnus, Cajsa Aronsson, Philippa Scholz, Joosep Raudsepp, Tawfique Elahi, Anna Dorina Szabo, Kristin Häsler, Cajsa Aronsson, Emily Wudie Johnsson, Co-opted: Lauren Gerber, Johanna Friedrich

1. Opening of the meeting

President Claudia Muñoz-Rojas Domínguez opens the meeting at 17.11.

2. Election of Chair of the Meeting

Claudia Muñoz-Rojas Domínguez is elected the Chair of the Meeting at 17.11.

3. Election of Secretary of the Meeting

Fabio Cavaliere is elected the Secretary of the Meeting at 17.12.

4. Election of Attestors and Vote Counters of the Meeting

Ffion McEvoy and Antoine Vincenot are elected the Attestors and Vote Counters of the meeting at 17.13.

5. Approval of the Electoral Roll

The electoral roll is set at 19 at 17.14.

6. Approval of the Agenda

Francisco proposes to add point 15; Information point: Quarterly Report

The Board approves the revised Agenda at 17.15.

7. Decision Point: Election of Head of Webzine

The Board Meeting decides to open for nominations and decisions regarding the election of Head of Webzine at 17:17.

Claudia explains the opening for the position of Head of Webzine.

Lauren Gerber is a candidate for the position of Head of Webzine. She presents herself to the Board Meeting and shares her views on why she should become a Head of Webzine for the remainder of the operational year of 2023-2024.

The Board Meeting poses questions to the candidate.

The candidate responds to the questions.

The candidate leaves the room.

The electoral roll is set to 18 at 17:24, Joosep abstains from voting.

The Board Meeting decides to elect Lauren Gerber as the Head of Webzine for the remainder of the operational year of 2023-2024 at 17:25.

The electoral roll is updated at 20 with the election of Lauren at 17.25.

8. Discussion Point: Lecture with the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Claudia explains that there was some miscommunication with the Lecture committee that made the planning of the Lecture more stressful. Claudia emphasizes that such speakers need to be communicated earlier in time to make plans.

Francisco argues the lack of communication increased stress on the planning. Nonetheless, the event was successful and the Board was cohesive.

Seth argues there were some issues with organization and communication of the event to the public. Seth also presents some feedback on the lecture and discusses the protests that occurred inside and outside the venue.

Nora thanks the Board as the members were very helpful and contributed to making the event a success in the end.

Emily explains her views on the protests that occurred at the Lecture.

Seth raises the point of the responsibilities that Board Members have at UPF events.

Claudia also adds to the point of responsibilities.

Francisco brings up the issue of what it means for UPF being non-politically affiliated.

Emily and Ffion touch on the topic of what it means to be non-politically affiliated and the line between being a Board Member and personal opinions.

Johanna explains the Presidium should have communicated better and opened up the space for discussion on the debates that preceded the lecture.

9. Decision Point: Motion about the cost allocation of the security guards

Nora presents the motion to cover the cost of the security guards for the event with Tobias Billström from the emergency funds.

Seth argues that we should have expected security given the caliber of the speaker, proposing a 50/50 split of the cost between budgets.

Francisco argues that it is possible to allocate the expense to the emergency fund.

Emily also argues this expense should be paid through the emergency fund.

Joosep asks whether in previous years security was hired for such speakers.

Nora answers UPF never had such security in previous years.

The Board approves the Motion at 18.06

The Board approves a 10 minute break at 18.06

The meeting resumes at 18.20.

10. Information Point: FBA

Claudia explains that the FBA Grant has not been renewed.

Joosep explains that we could appeal for help to donors or former members.

Seth explains that we should have a discussion on how much we charge for events and membership fee.

Karolina argues we should look into sponsors.

11. Information Point: Merchandise Update

Joosep and Fabio explain that there have been troubles with communicating with the supplier.

Seth suggests reaching out to other organizations and asking where they purchase their merchandise.

Francisco explains what this entails for the budget.

12. Information Point: Student Association Fair & Hälsningsgillet

Claudia explains what the two events are and when they are going to take place.

13. Information Point: Skanör Trip

Claudia reminds that on February 3rd and 4th UPF will go to Skanor.

14. Information Point: Reminder to Fill In Statistics

Francisco reminds committees to fill in the document.

15. Information Point: Quarterly report

Francisco explains the report in detail.

16. Presidium reporting

16.1. Presidents

- 16.1.1. Been in contact with the FBA
- 16.1.2. Started prepping Skanör
- 16.1.3. Prepared the BM
- 16.1.4. Been in contact with the NC about webzine's nominee
- 16.1.5. Been in contact with Webzine's Nominee

16.2. Secretary

- 16.2.1. Worked on figuring out how to send emails to renew memberships
- 16.2.2. Worked out ways to implement the new membership type

16.3. Treasurer

- 16.3.1. Finished the accounting for 2023
- 16.3.2. Finished the quarterly report
- 16.3.3. Finished payments until today (missing four, waiting for supporting documents)

16.4. UFS Representative

- 16.4.1.

17. Committee reporting

17.1. Activity

- 17.1.1. has already had the first committee meeting on Tuesday, and planned upcoming events for the semester
- 17.1.2. Been in contact with nations about a sittning
- 17.1.3. Been in contact with nations about karaoke in the upcoming weeks
- 17.1.4. Has had a meeting with the Ball coordinators

17.2. Career

- 17.2.1. hosted two FBA seminars
- 17.2.2. Together with Europe Direct and the EP Office in Sweden hosted the EP Election Event
- 17.2.3. Hosted one committee meeting in December
- 17.2.4. Worked together with our Career Prep Course (renamed to Career Talks) trustee to start organizing the upcoming Career Talks

- 17.2.5. Our CPC Trustee has invited a bunch of potential speakers with a few already confirmed
- 17.2.6. been in contact with Rikard Bengtson from the Lund Diplomatic Club to get the Mentorship Programme rolling
- 17.3. Lecture
 - 17.3.1. had successful lectures, including the one with the minister of foreign affairs
 - 17.3.2. Planned lectures for the upcoming semester
 - 17.3.3. Had a meeting with the Centre for European Studies about an event we will organise with them in May
- 17.4. Magazine
 - 17.4.1.
- 17.5. Pod&Radio
 - 17.5.1. Recorded and edited two podcasts (including one interview with Career's last FBA guest)
 - 17.5.2. Started an Instagram account
 - 17.5.3. Been in contact with Radio AF about their website being down (preventing us from uploading any new podcast...)
- 17.6. PR
 - 17.6.1. Chosen and started working with our three chosen trustees
 - 17.6.2. Continue to create content for most committees
 - 17.6.3. Moderated and assisted with the lecture with the foreign minister
 - 17.6.4. Met with and planned a marketing strategy with the Travel Committee
- 17.7. Travel
 - 17.7.1. Prepared documents and material for upcoming application period for the spring trip
 - 17.7.2. Been in dialogue with PR regarding a strategy for the spring
 - 17.7.3. Released a very happy and fun reel
- 17.8. Webzine
 - 17.8.1. Had a Christmas hangout before the holiday
 - 17.8.2. Had first committee meeting of 2024, 9/1/24
 - 17.8.3. Scheduled several new article deadlines for the new year!

17.9. Debate

17.9.1. last debate sessions beginning of December

17.9.2. minitournament went very well! We had a positive balance sheet of ca 13 500kr

17.9.3. preparing for next terms debate sessions and a possible tournament

18. Other Points

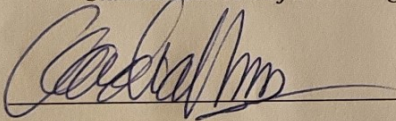
There are no other points.

19. Confirmation of the next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on 3rd February.

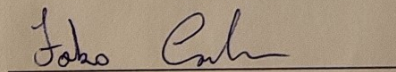
20. Meeting adjourned

Claudia Muñoz-Rojas Domínguez adjourns the meeting at 19.06.



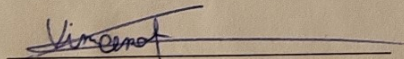
President

Claudia Muñoz-Rojas Domínguez



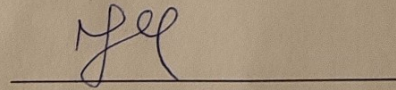
Secretary

Fabio Cavaliere



Meeting attestor

Antoine Vincenot



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Ffion McEvoy