Board Meeting X

2026-03-26, 17:00
UPF Office, AF-Borgen
Board of 25/26
Association of Foreign Affairs Lund

Present: *Ella Hellerup, Emelie Andersson, Gaia Zubrickaite, Filippo Fioretti Boccato, Ismail Ali, Klara Sjöström, Lina Ingstrand, Maya Bukhory, Max Ulander, Micol Zubrickaite, Nomena Andrianjafy, Wera Hänsch Mauritzon*

Online: *Sam Löfström*

Co-opted: Sabina Rameke, Diana Nadyrova, Giulia Cavallini, Märtha Brännström

1. Opening of the meeting

   President Ella Hellerup opens the meeting at 17.05.

2. Election of Chair of the Meeting

   Ella Hellerup is elected the Chair of the Meeting at 17.05.

3. Election of Secretary of the Meeting

   Emelie Andersson is elected the Secretary of the Meeting at 17.05.

4. Election of Attestors and Vote Counters of the Meeting

   Klara Sjöström and Filippo Fioretti Boccato are elected as the Attestors and Vote Counters of the Meeting at 17.06.

5. Approval of the Electoral Roll

   The electoral roll is set to 13 at 17.06.

6. Approval of the Agenda

Emelie Andersson proposes to add the discussion point Ball Coordinator Ticket Prices.

Sabina Rameke proposes to add the information point Project of the Year.

Filippo proposes to add the information point Last Issue of the Magazine.

The agenda is approved at 17.07.

7. Discussion Point: Ball Coordinator Ticket Prices

The Ball Coordinators, Giulia Cavallini and Märtha Brännström, present the discussion point pertaining to them getting a discounted price for their tickets to the ball. They explain that they would like to get a discounted price for their own tickets as they essentially are paying to work, while not getting to enjoy the ball to the same extent as other participants due to their responsibilities.

Emelie agrees with their logic, saying that it would make sense for them to get a discounted price. She mentions that perhaps it should be presented as a motion.

Sam Löfström proposes that if the ball coordinators get a discounted price then all working members should as well.

Lina Ingstrand and Emelie inquire about the budgeting for the ball. Emelie adds that last year her and her co-head, acting as ball coordinators, were able to get their tickets for free only after the ball had broken even.

The Ball Coordinators detail that already they have broken even and have gained a lot of revenue.

Ella summarizes the main feelings of the board for the discussion, detailing that it is a done deal for the ball coordinators to get a discounted price for the ball, however we should revisit the discussion about heads and board members receiving a discounted price at another time.

Lina also emphasises that ball coordinators should get a discounted price and that it could be a good idea to revisit the discussion about free or discounted prices for other heads regarding their own work. She puts special emphasis on the Travel Heads as this is a position that requires the Heads to spend a lot of their own money to even be *able to fulfill their responsibilities; this is a position that not everyone can even apply for as a result of the monetary costs.*

Ella proposes that the Ball Coordinators receive a 50% discount for their Ball tickets, excluding drink package and medals.

The Board comes to a decision at 17.35 that the Ball Coordinators receive a 50% discount for their tickets.

8. Decision Point: Motion - Amend Accountability Guidelines

FIlippo presents the motion on the amendment of the Accountability Guidelines. He explains that issues regarding the Accountability Guidelines came up already in discussion last year. However, due to a lot of other amendments to steering documents, the Accountability Guidelines were forgotten.

Filippo explains that in accordance with UPF Statute § 1.6.1, aims to improve the clarity and functionality of the accountability guidelines by addressing ambiguities arising from their current generalised wording, as well as correcting minor spelling and typographical errors. These include a punctuation correction in Section 1, the rephrasing of Section 3.3.b to clarify its application, and the rephrasing of Section 3.3.d to explicitly define the threshold for a qualified majority.

Filippo also explains that this amendment would not affect any current ongoing processes, it would only be applicable to future amendments.

The Board approves the motion of the amendment of the accountability guidelines at 17.55.

Ella proposes a 5 minute break at 17.55.

Ella reopens the meeting at 18.01.

9. Decision Point: Establishing a Senior Collegium Working Group

Ella presents the decision point. She explains that the Board is responsible for establishing a Senior Collegium Working Group each operational year, which should consist of 2-3 board members, one of which should be the Secretary.

As Emelie is the Secretary and, Micol Zubrickate has led the establishment of the Alumni network, with heavy contributions from Sam Löfström this operational year, Ella proposes that these three Board members form the working group.

The Decision point is approved by the Board at 18.04.

10. Discussion Point: Amendments to the Rules and Regulations

Ella presents the discussion point regarding the amendments to the Rules and Regulations document, and brings up to the table any changes any of the Board members want to make.

The Board discusses the matter, and Emelie proposes that all Board members look into the changes they want to make and then send it to either her or Nomena Andrianjafy, as part of the Policy Working Group.

The discussion of adding a Grand and Partnership coordinator position is also brought up. The overall consensus of the Board is that this position would make the most sense to have as a presidium member. The Board agrees to discuss the matter further at a later date.

11. Information Point: Project of the Year

Sabina presents the Information Point, Project of the Year. Sabina details the progress the project has made so far. She explains that the project has secured very prominent speakers, established 7 articles for magazine and been invited to Maritime University on the 21st of April.

12. Information Point: Last Issue of Magazine

Filippo presents the information point. He details the idea of having a 2+ page spread where each Head and Board member will have the opportunity to present what we have achieved during the year, and what our best moments have been.

The overall consensus of the Board is that this sounds like a very promising idea.

13. Presidium reporting

13.1. Presidents

- Participated in weekly Presidium meetings
- Attended game night with Utrikespolitisk afton
- Sold old office furniture
- Participated in the coffee stand at Socialhögskolan

- Participated to the weekly meetings
- Attended the game night with Urikespolitisk Afton
- Continued with the Alumni Network project

13.2. Secretary

- Finalized the BM9 protocol
- Participated in presidium meetings
- Published 2 newsletters
- Checked active committee members' UPF memberships
- Attended game night with Utrikespolitisk afton
- Held a coffee stand to promote UPF

13.3. Treasurer

- Participated in weekly presidium meetings

- Helped out with the logistics of the ball ticket release
- Held a coffee-pop up in LUSEM
- Booked some exciting things

13.4. UFS Representative

- Participated in presidium meetings
- Participated in NCIA meetings

14. Committee reporting

14.1. Activity

- Held weekly meetings
- Had a game night with Utrikespolitisk Afton
- Announced the next sitting and theme

14.2. Career

- Planned a lunch-lecture with new republic consulting agency
- Discussed and planned a panel discussion with the social science union
- Contacted and coordinated with alumni for a possible alumni trip

14.3. Debate

- We participated successfully in our tournament in Scotland
- We held weekly meeting with record numbers. Every week there is more. Yesterday there were 19 people present
- We are planning our movie night comeback next week Sunday during easter
- The planning for the ski trip is done and we'll be embarking in 2 weeks:)
- I held talks with Riga Debate and a Debate society in Malaysia. We are looking into managing exchange trips currently. For Malaysia we're trying to plan ahead for next

autumn and Riga invited us to visit them next August. I was thinking of applying to Erasmus grants for that project.

- The tournament registration is almost finished and we already have more people interested than we have space haha. From the following countries: Malaysia, USA, Canada, Estonia, Sweden, Denmark, Scotland, England, Ireland, Latvia, Norway (I project France to join as well)

14.4. Lecture

- Held weekly committee meetings to continue the planning of projects for the semester
- Helped the NCIA working group with scouting and contacting panelists

14.5. Magazine

- Held weekly meetings;
- Sent the 3rd Issue to the Printer to be printed and delivered (to the office and to the relevant ‘shipping group’);
- Started working on the 4th Issue
- Started collaborating with the Project of the Year to be included in the 4th Issue
- Brainstormed in how to tie together the year for all the committees in the final publication;
- Coordinated with RSR for the 4th issue

14.6. Pod&Radio

- Edited past recorded podcasts and prepared to post
- Collaborated with Magazine to have an ad
- Created promos to be posted to increase interest
- Held weekly meetings

14.7. PR

- Held weekly meetings
- Made internal PR plans to show the associations personality
- Continued working with the NCIA marketing group
- Coordinate photographing with career for a upcoming event

14.8. Travel

- Visited Greenlandic representation, Nordjobb, and CBS UN in Copenhagen
- Progressed on the Estonia reflection article
- Held weekly meetings

14.9. Webzine

- Held weekly meetings
- Published 3 articles
- Almost filled the article slots in the schedule for this semester

15. Other Points

No other points.

16. Confirmation of the next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on the 16th of April.

17. Meeting adjourned

Ella adjourned the meeting at 19.19.

Ella Hellerup

Chair of the Meeting

Emelie Andersson

Secretary of the Meeting

Klara Sjöström

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