



Board Meeting IV

2025-10-30, 17:00

UPF Office

Board of 25/26

Association of Foreign Affairs Lund

Present: *Ella Hellerup, Emelie Andersson, Klara Sjöström, Maya Bukhory, Max Ulander, Micol Zubrickaite, Sam Löfström, Wera Hänsch Mauritzon, Juan Camilo Franco*

Online: *Filippo Fioretti Boccato, Nomena Andrianjafy, Michael Alexander Müller*

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

Maya Bukhory and Klara Sjöström are elected the Attestors and Vote Counters of the Meeting at 17.06.

5. Approval of the Electoral Roll

The electoral roll is set to 10 at 17.06.

6. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda is approved at 17.07.

7. Decision Point: Motion Home Delivering of the Magazine

Filippo Fioretti Boccato explains the motion about home deliveries of the magazine. He details that due to a lack of funds, the decision was made by the last Board to discontinue with home deliveries.

The current heads of Magazine want to reestablish home deliveries for our members through leveraging the ERASMUS Grant funding. Through reestablishing home deliveries the magazine has the ability to reach out to more people in addition to working against having a large batch of magazines in the office which take up space.

Filippo explains that the motion would not mandate the Magazine Committee to provide home deliveries, rather it gives them the opportunity to do so when viable.

The Board approves the motion at 17.10.

8. Decision Point: Motion Improve Transparency in Budget Structure

Klara details that there will be two more added budget posts in the budget, the purpose of this motion is to make the budget more transparent and accurately reflect the revenues generated by each committee. She explains that the budget post 'Entrance Revenues' item does not solely reflect income generated from the Activity Committee's events as it appears in the budget. Adding two more budget posts, titled 'Lecture Revenues' and 'Debate Revenues' adds clarity to where revenue derives from and thus improves the transparency of the budget structure.

The Board approves the motion at 17.14.

9. Information Point: Clothing Swap with Swallows India Bangladesh

Ella explains the decision point. Ella details that the clothing swap that is in collaboration with Swallows will mean that people will have the ability to drop off clothing at the office. In addition a QR form will be placed in the office, meaning people can come during office hours and during meetings.

10. Information Point: Anna Lindh Lecture 2025

Ella explains that all committee members need to sign up to the Anna Lindh Lecture and mingle afterwards via the link from the invitation sent out to all our emails.

Wera explains that there is also a dresscode to keep in mind, which is business attire.

11. Information Point: Presidents check-ins!

Ella explains that both her and Micol will begin check-in meetings soon. This will comprise of all heads detailing both how their work is going so far, along with the collaboration between committee heads.

12. Information Point: Office Hours

Ella prompts the board to sign up to the office hours that we have each Thursday. She explains that each head should sign up for at least one time slot.

13. Discussion Point: Vacant position - Head of Debate and Board Member

Micheal leads the discussion about the recent vacant Head of Debate position. He explains that this was a very unexpected departure for him. Yet, he assures the board that he is not worried about the operations of the debate committee, and that everything is still working smoothly. He is saddened by the departure of his co-head but he details that he is confident that everything will continue to work well within Debate.

Ella proposed a break at 17.30

Juan Camilo Franco joins the meeting at 17.32

Ella reopens the meeting at 17.34

The electoral roll is set to 11 at 17.34

14. Discussion Point: Project of the Year

Ella explains that the Project of the Year allocates 5000 or annually to a specific initiative. The scope of the project can be very broad, but it must include a strong rationale for why it deserves funding. She emphasises that not all board members may be aware of this initiative, and therefore wanted to raise it during this meeting to give everyone a chance to be a part of this project.

In Sabina's absence, Max explains the idea that she has regarding a Project of the Year. He explains that Sabina's proposal is about a project themed around the seas, along three major axes: Sustainability, Security, and Trade. Each axis represents a key priority for current global geopolitics, and the overarching theme creates a distinct visual and thematic identity that can unify the contributions of individual committees while also allowing for coverage of many different parts of the world. He details that there are many opportunities for many committees to collaborate together on this project. In addition there is also the possibility to connect to the standing RSR collaboration due; connecting to the topic of security in the Baltic Sea region. The idea would be to host different lectures, make interviews, among others. He says that this project would take place around January 2026.

Micol adds that an idea she has is to create an exhibition in which we would bring in lectures and such from reporters. This initiative would allow for a space to be created in which all these ideas could be presented.

Juan asks if there would be any plans to perhaps continue the celebrations of the 90th Anniversary of UPF. He adds that it could also be a nice idea to connect more with the Alumni network for example.

The general consensus is that all of these are good and interesting ideas.

Nomena joins the meeting at 17.49

The electoral roll is set to 12 at 17.52

15. Discussion Point: Policies of UPF Lund

Ella explains that there are a lot of issues we have found regarding the Statues and other steering documents and that it would be a good idea to create a policy working group to go through all the policies and make changes.

Emelie agrees with Ella and emphasises that she would very much like to be a part of this, perhaps taking a leading role, but that due to other commitments it would be most feasible for her to start with this in the new year.

16. Presidium reporting

16.1. Presidents

- Attended meetings with RSR
- Assisted in the planning of the Anna Lindh Lecture
- Hosted Office Hours
- Attended weekly presidium meetings

- Started to plan for the committee check-ins
- Participated in bi-weekly meetings with RSR
- Started planning new "vieri"-events
- Been in contact with external partners

- Attended the presidium meetings
- Supported the organisation with the knowledge exchange
- Attended and supported the Get Active
- Had informal check ins with the heads

16.2. Secretary

- Finalised the 2025 Annual Meeting
- Finalised the BM3 protocol
- Published 3 newsletters
- Participated in RSR Meetings
- Participated in presidium meetings
- Created schedule for PR/ Newsletter Member Introductions
- Created feedback form for RSR visit
- Updated the Rules and Regulations in accordance with the changes made at the AM
- Helped out at Get Active

16.3. Treasurer

- Participated in meetings with the presidium
- Participated in meetings with RSR
- Participated in the planning of RSRs visit to Lund
- Booked accommodation for our Tartu trip together with Max

- Had meeting with the bank

16.4. UFS Representative

- Attended a UFS BM
- Wrote/submitted a motion for the hosting of the NCIA
- Attended a Committee Event meeting regarding guest speakers for the Forum Weekend
- Contacted Eva regarding the Knowledge Exchange

17. Committee reporting

17.1. Activity

- Held weekly meeting
- Opened the ball coordinator application
- Represented the committee at UPF's Get Active
- Planned the next sitting
- Created a posting schedule with PR
- Continued communication with the venues for the Annual Ball

17.2. Career

- Held regular meetings
- Attended Get Active
- Prepared for career talk(s) 2nd December & the coming semester.
- Done preparations for the mentorship programme.
- Worked on PR for Career Fair.
- Had a committee kickoff

17.3. Debate

- Held regular weekly Debates
- Had a change in leadership structure
- Undergone a Reform of democratisation within the committee
- Hosted a movie night
- Hosted a Halloween themed event/ debate
- Has had continuous contact with Laval Debate to finalise a friendship agreement
- Has helped Malmö Debate to start a new Debate Society

17.4. Lecture

- Held weekly meetings
- On-boarded the new trustees
- Recruited new members at Get Active
- Held a successful lecture with SASNET
- Planned lectures for both fall and spring, examples of themes are NATO, AI in governments, Afghanistan, EU careers, and Western Sahara
- Initiated 3 “working groups” with committee members helping out on bigger lecture projects: Swedish national election debate, 90 years of UPF, and one focusing on different EU-lectures

17.5. Magazine

- Held Regular Meetings
- Finalised the layout of the First Issue of the Magazine
- Filed a BM Motion to resume home delivery after a consultation meeting with the Presidium
- Structured a group-based system to allow for home delivery of at least 1 issue per UPF Member

- Attended RSR Meetings
- Attended “Get Active”

17.6. Pod&Radio

- Held weekly meetings
- Received applications for trustee positions
- Represented itself at UPF’s Get Active! event
- Notified trustees applicants of the outcome
- Prepared to record next week

17.7. PR

- Had our first PR meeting with RSR
- Started publishing our committee presentations
- Appointed our trustees
- Created content during Get Active
- Held weekly meetings
- Planned content together with the Travel Committee ahead of their trip to Canada

17.8. Travel

- Held regular meetings
- Appointed a permanent PR trustee
- Made final preparations for Canada
- Drafted a proposal for the project of the year

17.9. Webzine

- Held weekly meetings
- Published 3 articles
- Started planning with our PR trustee on how to make Webzine more visible

- Planned a trustee hangout on November 19th
- Booked a meeting with Magazine to plan the workshop for the Tartu group
- Attended the Get active event
- Almost all slots for article hand-ins filled this semester, only two left

18. Other Points

18.1. Ella brings up another point. She details that last year the Board had a potluck dinner around the holidays and asks the Board if this is something that people want to do this year as well.

19. Confirmation of the next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on November 20th.

20. Meeting adjourned

The meeting is adjourned at 18.29.



Ella Hellerup

Chair of the Meeting



Emelie Andersson

Secretary of the Meeting



Maya Bukhory

Attestor and Vote Counter



Klara Sjöström

Attestor and Vote Counter