



**Uppsala studentkår**  
Doktorandnämnden

**Protokoll – Doktorandnämndens sammanträde 19/11-2015 kl. 15:15**

*Minutes – Meeting with the doctoral board November 19th 2015 at 15:15*

*Neil de Kock, chair DN*

*Inti Lammi, vice-chair DN*

*Sara Andersson, vice-chair DN*

*Houda Landolsi, HDR*

*Dorothea Ledinek, TNDR (suppl)*

*Rasmus Luthander, TNDR*

*Henrik Jonsson, FDR*

*Karl Bergman, HDR*

§1. Öppnande / *Opening of the meeting*

The chair opened the meeting.

§2. Justeringsperson (beslut) / *Attestant (decision)*

Dorothea Ledinek was appointed as attestant.

§3. Adjungeringar (beslut) / *Co-optations (decision)*

No co-optations.

§4. Fastställande av föredragningslistan (beslut) / *Approval of agenda (decision)*

The agenda was approved without changes.

§5. Kallelseförfarandet (beslut) / *Approval of call procedure (decision)*

The call procedure was approved.

§6. Godkännande av föregående mötesprotokoll (beslut) / *Approval of previous meeting minutes (decision)*

The minutes from the previous meeting was approved.

§7. Meddelanden av allmänt intresse (information) / *General messages (information)*

a) Presidiemeddelanden / *Messages from the presidium*

• Management council – Neil

Neil reported that the management council has prepared for different internal conferences (internat). Neil was at the internal conference (internat) for deans. At the conference they received a presentation from representatives of the national department of higher education and research. The representatives are in the process of compiling a report about the abolishment of study grants (utbildningsbidrag) at universities and how it has impacted on doctoral studies. At the conference, they also discussed a proposal from the government on the compilation of university boards. The relationship with

campus Gotland (few or no PhD students) was discussed in order to improve the integration of the campus into the university's structure. Another topic discussed was the evaluation of research and education with the main question being how it should be conducted at the university

- Quality Council

The quality of IT in research will be evaluated over the next few years. The council received a presentation from the IT department on the activity plan until 2020. The transition from Uppdock to Ladock is entering the third phase. The use of Blackboard as an educational platform will be evaluated in the next couple of years.

- University Board – Sara

Sara reported that there has been an internal conference (internat) with the University Board. The council has made available 12 million crowns to invest in improving research at the university through tenure positions or other career pathways. A working group has been created to look into tenure tracks at UU. The internationalization program was approved. The proposal of the national research quality evaluation in Sweden (FOKUS) was not accepted. The university does not wish to participate in FOKUS.

b) Råds- och representantmeddelanden / *Messages from councils and other representatives*

HDR reported that the council is looking into the possibility of splitting into two councils, namely Languages, and History and Philosophy. Since there are more doctoral students at the division of languages, it could create an administrative problem.

TNDR reported that they are sending out a survey about prolongation due to sick leave and a survey about conditions of scholarship PhD students.

FDR reported that the MedFarm domain wants to create program tracks for PhD students. Since there are fewer PhD students at the Faculty of Pharmacy compared to the Faculty of Medicine, a concern exists that pharmacy PhD students might be forgotten.

Neil – Brought up on the last meeting by Ausra - The term 'doctoral students' has been removed in the guideline for equal treatment of students 2015 (Riktlinjer för likabehandling av studenter 2015). It does not explicitly state that it applies to doctoral students. We want to push for that they write students and doctoral students.

Reminder: Equality day March 16

§8. Bekräftelse av per capsulam beslut: Val av vice ordförande (beslut) / *Confirmation of per capsulam decision: Election of vice-chairperson (decision)*

Per capsulam decision: Inti Lammi was elected as the vice-chair of the Doctoral Board Inti was also elected as the representative of the Quality Council.

Neil de Kock was elected as the deputy representative (suppleant) of the Quality Council.

§9. Val av klubbmästare (beslut) / *Election of social organiser (decision)*

Angeliki Adamaki was elected as the social organizer.

§10. Prolongation och sjukskrivning (information) / *Prolongation and sick leave (information)*

The documents from last year were discussed. Prolongation seems to vary between departments. Follow up with the personnel department/human resources. A survey of prolongation for sick leave will be sent out at Science and Technology by TNDR.

§11. Doktorandnämndens hemsida (information) / *Webpage of the Doctoral board (information)*

The doctoral councils are responsible to update the webpage. E-mail Neil to get access to the webpage to get authority to update information.

§12. Undersökning för stipendiater (diskussion) / *Survey for scholarship students (discussion)*

The survey will aim to gather information on how international students (students + PhD students) are treated. A working group tasked by the vice-chancellor to address this issue might be a good plan of action. There should be guidelines and a checklist for hiring PhD students on scholarships. Neil will bring this up to the vice-chancellor.

§13. Sammanträdestider (beslut) / *Meeting schedule (decision)*

Next meeting: Wednesday December 16, 15.15 – 17.00

§14. Övriga frågor / *Other comments or issues*

Neil will aim to send out an e-mail with information and a checklist about ongoing work every Monday.

The question was raised whether the student ombudsman should attend meetings of the faculty doctoral councils or not.

§15. Mötets avslutande / *Closing of the meeting*

The chair closed the meeting.

Chair



Neil de Kock

Attestant



Dorothea Ledinek

Secretary



Sara Andersson

