MINUTES FOR AUPA BOARD MEETING

TIME: August 24th 4-6 pm

LOCATION: Building 1630 room 312

GUESTS: N/A

1. **Welcome**

2. **Formalities**
   o Approval of minutes from last meeting

      They are not under dropbox yet

      Søren will circulate them after the meeting

3. **Updates and follow-ups**
   o From local associations

- PHABUSS
   o They had talked about whether or not they should check theses for plagiarism before and after handing in and if there needed to be a system to do it since Urkund did not work properly.
   o The total attitude is that they do not need this system. It is considered a task for the Dissertation committee.

   o PHABUSS had also discussed the headmaster's new measure saying that assistant and associate professors is required to have a post-doc abroad before they can apply for a tenure position.
   o This led to general debate at the AUPA meeting and the topic was elaborated and discussed for a long time.
   o It was agreed upon to have another meeting on this specific topic. Søren will summon this meeting.
   o Søren will ensure that everybody get this information and let everyone know they can reply until the 22nd of setember.

- ST:
  - They will soon have a general assembly.
  - They will soon elect a new board. Jesper will be running.

- ARTS:
  - Had a meeting on Aug the 10th where they talked about mappings of who is who. The boys will bring the map and flyers and say something about the election.
  - Talked about events next year. A huge arts PhD event. At the moment they are still brainstorming and spending a lot of energy on that.
  - The problem so far has been that small open meetings did not attract people – so now they will do one big event.

- Health:
  - They had a meeting where they talked about health trying to get new talent.
  - A new talent track will allow students to take 30 ECTS extra to get ahead if they want a Ph.D.
  - There will be an industrial and an academic track. This will be in the same timeframe meaning it will be in their spare time.
  - A new distribution of the PhD scholarships. The idea is that the supervisor will send in a project and the head of institution will select the appropriate ones and get international students to apply also. A bit like an audition focusing on the best candidates for the full scholarships.
  - The new distributing form has not yet been approved.

- Joint Action group
  - Plan an event for October where they will perhaps have one speaker or for a longer event perhaps 40 minutes from two speakers.

o The mindfulness and stress themes were discussed briefly but would be taken up later.

- PAND
  o Had an event during the summer.
  o The have set up a bank account and almost finished a website.
  o The next big thing is to have a big joint assembly in the fall.
  o It was agreed upon that the AUPA members should probably go and support this event. Jesper has added people as contacts on SLACK – an instant message - Jesper will send a link.

- Facebook group incl. videos
  o Søren and Jesper had just made a new video with Vibeke Broe.
  o It was discussed whether or not to have the sound of the question in the video or just have the question written at the top/bottom/posting-question.
  o Jesper will edit they video.
  o Before the video was shot they had brainstormed for two hours and they will talk to Per Baltzer Overgaard next about "most valueable skill as phD" and Jes Madsen (phd school leader of science)
  o Jesper will send it soon and everybody should boost it
  o The idea to give the people something if the videoes get enough likes was proposed but dismissed.
  o It was agreed upon to try to get our phds at our faculties to join our facebook AUPA page.

4. **Emails**
- Election at AU – see email
  o The problem is that they have been experiencing bad run-ins for the election for the past years and want us to do something about people running. Usually 1 or 2 people often submit to running and then no one votes and so they win.

- o AUPA has to inform people about the election and various ways of getting people to run and vote was proposed. It was agreed upon to try to put effort into using Facebook as a tool to reach the students.

- Mindfulness – see email
    - o An email offering an event about mindfulness was discussed.
    - o The event on mindfulness might be useful for PhDs. However, she did not mention any prices in the email. It was also discussed whether it should be a one hour or two hours event.
    - o Søren will write and ask her about price and if one hour possible?

- Library – meeting on meeting September 6th
    - o It was discussed who should go to library meeting and what AUPAs opinion was toward the library workshop on "searching material" and if the students would think they needed it.
    - o The workshop was considered a success in Odense and Helene says that the "library" (biblioteks) café is something we should do also.
    - o It was debated whether the workshop would be too general and if people would go.
    - o It was agreed upon that Jesper and Heidi will go to the meeting Onsdag the 6th September kl 12:30-15 to find out whether it is a good idea or not.
    - o Søren will ask which specific time they have to go and where the meeting will be.

X. Publication course (publicerings kursus)
- o On the 31th of August there will be a meeting discussing the content of the Publication course which will be with CUL.
- o This will be an one hour meeting with Stine about what this course will be about. One from AUPA can join this meeting.

- AUPA discussed whether this course might be too broad for all the faculties with the example of the use of cover letters which varies greatly from faculty to faculty.
- It was decided that Heidi would most likely go to the meeting on 31/8 at 9-10 o'clock – otherwise Søren will go.
- Send Heidi ideas before the meeting if you have any.

5. **Discussions**
   - **The average PhD student**
   - **AUPAs purpose (see statutes)**
   - **International students (results from last time)**

Because the meeting had gone over time it was agreed upon to wait and take up the points of discussions at the next meeting.

6. **Social stuff – evaluation**

    It was fun – let's do it again.

7. **Next meeting – October 12th**

8. **AOB**