

**Minutes AUPA meeting, Aug 27th 2014.
iNANO Building, AU, 15.30-17:00.**

1. Formalities

- Election of Chairman: Mathias Vinther
- Election of minute taker: Karsten Olsen
- Approval of minutes from last meeting: Accepted

2. AUPA President going abroad

- Mathias has accepted an offer of to go on a research visit at Harvard. What does the board agree to do?
- This will affect about 1-2 meetings
- We agreed that Mathias will be continuing as official president, making agendas and doodles (perhaps attend over skype/google), while giving his input and opinions via email.
- Vice-president will step in when necessary

3. AUPA internal flexibility

- A fluctuating number of attendees across meetings in the last year warrant the question of whether AUPA meetings should be more flexible
- No clear understanding of this tendency was reached. One factor might be the frequency of meetings
- We discussed internal flexibility and the possibility of opting for online enquiries: If the extent of a given issue is minimal, then we might better resolve the matters through discussion and sharing opinions via email

4. User panel meeting – regarding administrative problems

(Administrative Brugerpanel)

- Dean stabilised the panel
- Discussed: Planning of teaching and exams, planning of lecture/class rooms and last minute distribution of these.
- However, despite frustration, the current system will continue.
- Intranet issues; making the online userface more clear, improve search function, etc.
- Marie got AUPA involved in this in terms of the PHD section of the Au.dk websites and intranet, in which Aupa will be a part of the process of development and improvement.
- Newsletter from the University Management (“Universitetsledelsen”).
- In terms of the newsletter from the Universitetsledelsen there was a Proposal to include any future plans that they might have for the university before implementing them, in order to allow others, incl. AUPA, to get involved before its too late.

5. Next Meeting

- in the first half of November.

6. Other issues

- There was a questions regarding teaching hours and what extent they might be changed, within BSS. Marie offered to clarify with info from own department. Changes would likely be at a minimum.
- Marie made a suggestion based on the recent rapport from the expert group: One point on the agenda was “Employee inclusion” in the hearing or in important decisions. This should include inclusion of student organisations in the given hearings and decisions. AUPA should try and get involved in this. Mathias will approach the relevant source.