

**TIME:** 16.00-18.00 **LOCATION:** 5220 – 214

**GUESTS:** 

**ABSENT WITH APOLOGY:** 

## 1. Welcome

## 2. Formalities

- Election of chairman: Kristoffer Ibsen
- Approval of minutes from the last meeting (available via Dropbox)
  - i. The minutes have been approved

## 3. News

- We need new members
  - i. Martin and Nadine will spread the word at different PhD events
  - ii. Jorge has left AUPA
- PAND
  - i. Juliane did a post on LinkedIn and Facebook regarding that PAND needs more members
    - A. Nadine will bring it up to PhDs at Political Science
- HAMU
  - i. HAMU had a meeting last week
    - A. The meeting wasn't that relevant to AUPA
  - ii. Next meeting will be in November
  - iii. Issues as a 4+4 PhD and 3+5 PhD
    - A. Insurance
    - B. Maternity/paternity leave
  - iv. It is unclear what the rules are regarding the 4+4 PhDs
    - A. Should we contact the administration and try to set up a meeting? Kristoffer contacts Stine.
      - a. William would like to participate in that meeting to bring some experiences from ARTS.
  - v. SDU has a digital menu with where you can find a lot of information about 4+4 PhD
    - A. Maybe we could do something similar?

## 4. PhD coaching and workshops

- We are applying for money to do the PhD coaching
- Bodil suggested to do the coaching sessions first and then get the money when we get them
  - i. But what will happen if we don't get the money?
  - ii. It is decided to wait until we have the money
- Workshops on character strength, 10 persons each workshop
  - i. The dates for the workshops are:



- A. October 5<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
- B. October 10<sup>th</sup> at 12am
- C. October 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
- D. October 25<sup>th</sup> at 12am
- E. October 27<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
- We will do five workshops no matter what
  - i. Whether the money comes from BSS's Well-Being Fund or from AUPA
- 5. Events for the rest of the year including the conference January
  - Update on the well-being fund of Aarhus BSS Graduate School
    - We have decided to apply for 3500 kr. at BSS's Well-Being Fund (approx. 75 kr. per person, which covers sandwich and drinks + 500 kr. for a gift basket)
    - ii. Trine will be booking rooms for the workshops
  - Events for the rest of the fall should be aligned with the Activity Group's activities
  - Ideas for events (copied from the last meeting's minutes)
    - i. Powerpoint karaoke could be a social event after pitching
    - ii. Pitching session
    - iii. Have different tracks for the conference
    - iv. Grant application for going abroad workshops
    - v. Post doc applications (should maybe be more focused on the individual faculties)
    - vi. How to get started on a career path at the university 2 Contact AU Career about working with us here.
    - vii. Time management
    - viii. Public speaking (holding presentations) 2 Ask Linda to do it again (in late September?)
    - ix. Creative writing in academics 2 Could be in November
    - x. Mario knows good speakers
    - xi. Intro-days for Nat/Tech 

      Mario will not be here, so someone needs to take over.
  - We should look into how to facilitate something social for PhDs and be consequent about it (to create a sense of belonging)
- 6. Increasing visibility of AUP
  - We should send out an e-mail about AUPA to the PhD Programme Leaders. But first when we have the date for the conference and when we have scheduled the other events/workshops
    - i. Juliane makes a draft for this e-mail
- 7. Improving well-being
  - It was decided to send out a well-being mail (all the natural sciences got it in a special edition newsletter → Martin forwards the letter)
  - Well-being committee-meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September

- 8. PhD and Postdoc Activity Group
  - Trine contacts Damian regarding a meeting with Kristoffer and one spokes person from the PhD and Postdoc Activity Group
    - The purpose of the meeting is to clarify the details about Activity Group joining AUPA
      - A. The meeting should be as soon as possible (and before the middle of September)
- 9. Deciding on the date for the next board meeting
  - A doodle has been sent out
- 10. Any other business?
  - Introduction Seminar on Friday September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 to 10:45
    - i. Martin and Kristoffer participates and will represent AUPA