



## AGENDA FOR AUPA'S BOARD MEETING

TIME: 16.00 – 18.00

LOCATION: Skype

GUESTS: Nis, Rene, Tenna, Karoline, Lina, Matilde, Anne, Stig, Katia, Ana Lucia

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY:

1. Welcome
2. Formalities
  - Mathilde will add new members to the dropbox (when I get my work computer back)
3. Election of positions
  - Chairman: René Bærentsen and Tenna Harbo
    - i. René and Tenna can be acting chairmen until summer, we will elect a new chairman after that
  - Co-chairman: Nis Primdahl
    - i. When the chairman is gone or indisposed, the co-chairman is in charge.
  - Treasurer: Karoline Larsen Kolstad and Matilde Jeppesen
  - Social Media: Ana Lucia Cardenas
    - i. Updating Facebook page
      - A. Making/sharing events and news related to AUPA
    - ii. In charge of making content for AU website
    - iii. Limit content that we share so that there is no corporate interest. Limit to university, local, or union-based activities
4. Update from PAND
  - GA has been postponed to the 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> of May
    - i. Could possibly be moved to online
  - Who from AUPA will go to this meeting/GA? → Ana Lucia
5. A seat at HAMU
  - Not sure if there will actually be a seat at HAMU for PhD students. Cecilie will continue to try to find out if there actually is a seat for PhD students
  - We will follow up on this as we get more information
6. Challenges for PhD students as a consequence of the Corona virus
  - A void is being created for PhD students at this time. Should we do something about this? What can we do about this?
  - Should we wait for the graduate schools to send out an official statement? → official statement should come after Easter
    - i. It doesn't look like many people will get extensions unless they work within the medical field
    - ii. Solution will probably not include money

- iii. No decisions can be made without the graduate schools being involved in it.
- What position should we take?
  - i. We should be careful to push for something prematurely. We should wait for an official statement from AU
  - ii. We should keep each other informed as to what is happening within the different faculties
  - iii. Push for a common AU policy for PhD students, so that it shouldn't be up to the individual faculties to decide.
  - iv. If you have severe constraints, it should be possible to be extended
- What is our role in this issue? How political can we be?
  - i. Do we have a contact within the graduate schools to know what decisions are being made? → Stine
  - ii. AUPA should be political → we should push for getting a say with the heads of graduate schools
  - iii. Ask Stine about date of common meeting with the graduate schools (cc board)
    - A. Ask if we can attend the meeting or at least get the minutes as soon as possible so we can know the position of the graduate schools on how PhD students can "håndtere" the situation
      - a. Will there be a meeting discussing this topic?
      - b. Is there an idea of what the solution might be?
      - c. Push for more communication with PhD students
      - d. People contact AUPA for solutions, we need more communication with
    - B. Ask when an official statement is coming
    - C. We need to have a standpoint if we want to be included in the meeting
      - a. Standpoint: it is not possible to give each PhD student an extension with pay.
        - i. Communicate with the PhD students in the different faculties.
        - ii. Make a survey to find out about each student's efforts and how they are affected by the crisis.
        - iii. Would it make sense to extend?
        - iv. Primarily final year students who don't have the opportunity to finish their work should be able to get an extension with pay
        - v. There are few people (those most severely affected) that we should try to help rather than pushing for every PhD student getting an extension.

- vi. We should remember our contacts with Dansk Magister Forening so whether or not they have any input on the matter.
- vii. Is the university obliged to come up with some sort of compensation scheme?
- viii. Is it worth looking into how other universities are handling this situation?  
→ Ask Viktorija or Kasper
- iv. We should be careful not to “victimize” ourselves too much. We need to make sure what’s going on before we say anything
- v. We should have an answer to the PhDs who have contacted AUPA
  - A. We are collecting information and we are pushing for communication from the graduate schools

7. Deciding on the date for the next board meeting

- 7<sup>th</sup> of April from 16.00 – 18.00 (short information meeting with updates)
  - i. If necessary: discussion of where we stand

8. Any other business?

- We should have a social gathering as the new board
  - i. Potentially going out for dinner after a meeting
- We should decide on one or two things to focus on (like we focused on PhD wellbeing this year)