

Minutes of Departmental Forum Meeting, 02.02.12

Participants:

Allan Würtz, Niels Haldrup, Marie Herly, Stefan Hirth, Rainer Lueg, Lars Skipper, Niels Skipper, Kenneth Lykke Sørensen, Ann-Marie Gabel, Karin Vinding, Bibiana Paluszewska

Notetaker: Margit Sommer

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Approved (with a supplementary note in point 3: Suggestion that stratification of VIP members is according to teaching/research groups. The suggestion was discussed and rejected.)

2. News from, and questions to, Departmental management

- 64 applicants to the assistant professor/postdocs position
- One postdoc has been hired (joint FSE/Creates)
- ECON candidates to Forums on the university-wide core activities: (Se Allans slides)
 - For the Dean and BSS academic council to select among the candidates
 - Research: Jens Lysgaard, Niels Haldrup
 - Talent development: Peter Ove Christensen, Frederic Warzinsky
 - Studies: Lars Skipper, Peter Løchte Jørgensen
 - Knowledge exchange: Carsten Tanggaard, Niels Westergaard-Nielsen
- Exam preparing courses offered by external providers are not allowed on the premises nor are they allowed to signal affiliation with the university.
- Teaching norms for postdocs:

	Tenured	Assistant Professor Postdoc internally funded	Postdoc externally funded
Teaching	610 h (36%)	510 h (30%)	255 h (15%)
Other activities	398 h (24%)	330 h (20%)	165 h (10%)
Research	672 h (40%)	840 h (50%)	1176 h (75%)

- Comments: FSE offers funding only for research and not teaching, might give problems with FSE – would require co-funding in the application. Believed that the university can take 20% of the time. AW will change allocation accordingly

3. Role of vice chairman

AW suggests that we elect a vice chairman to lead the meeting of the Departmental Forum

Other roles for the vice chairman:

Preparation of the meetings in DF

Suggestion from Leonidas de la Rosa (absent) that the vice chairman changes from meeting to meeting

4. Election of vice chairman

Karin Vinding will search the market for a vice chairman among the DF-members.

5. Allocation of offices

- Proposal on principles for allocation of offices, meeting rooms and lounges
- Questionnaire will be sent out to VIP members of the department to elicit preferences

- Two premises:
 - VIPs should not be located separately from TAPs
 - VIPs should not be located separately from PHD students
- Possibility to make clusters of phd-students
- Based on the questionnaire, a representative committee consisting of 6-7 people will be appointed (by the management group) to write a proposal which will be discussed in the DF. The DF members will be informed of the composition of the committee
- Suggestion to have permanent seminar rooms, rooms for phd-courses and similar purposes
- Staff lounge in the L-building, new cafeteria in the S-building, Plug-In, the bistro, and the Café will be closed
- Organization of research and allocation of offices are closely connected
- AW wants to have two proposals, one for each, but put in hearing at the same time as to make sure there are no inconsistencies
- Intend to send Questionnaire within a week with a short deadline (one week)

6. Organization of Research

- The proposal for the research organization will be discussed in DF at the same time as the proposal for office allocation
- Objective: support research activities and talent development.
- Subject to: Nor harming other activities at the department, in particular, teaching activities.
- Process:
 - Head of department initiates a working group to make a proposal. Working group will consist mainly of leaders of research centers.
 - The proposal of the working group will be discussed in the DF.

Appointed Working group:

Anders Thorstenson
 Claus Holm
 Stefan Hirth
 Michael Rosholm
 Philipp Schröder
 Niels Westergård-Nielsen
 Esben Agerbo
 Claus Munk
 Niels Haldrup
 Torben M. Andersen
 Allan Würtz

7. Other

Next meeting: Beginning of March when the office allocation working group has prepared the proposal for discussion in DF.