

Minutes of Departmental Forum Meeting, 28.01.13

Participants: Allan Würtz, Rainer Lueg, Ann-Marie Gabel, Karin Vinding, Valdemar Smith, Preben Bo Mortensen, Christoffer Strandby, Morten Gadgaard Nielsen, Lene Enevoldsen, Bibiana Paluszewska, Marie Herly, Anders Nygaard Jepsen, Sashka Dimova

Apologies received from : Stefan Hirth, Niels Haldrup, Kike de la Rosa, Sanne Wöhlk

Moderator: Valdemar Smith. Notetaker: Margit Sommer

1) Approval of agenda of the DF meeting June 7, 2012

Approved

2) Composition of the Departmental Forum at ECON

The DF agreed on the following composition of the future Departmental forum:

8 VIP members in total (the Head of Department, 4 VIP members selected from each section, 3 VIPs independent of the section: one full professor, one associate professor and one assistant professor/post doc

2 TAP members

The student members of the department council are elected for a period of one year. The other members of the departmental council are normally elected for a period of four years.

Supplementary election after two years.

A new election for DF will be held within the next month.

3) Residential meeting 2013

Allan Würtz informed of the Residential meeting 2012 in Horsens and showed the output documented on the Wiki: <http://www.wikispaces.com/>

Only Vips and Taps were invited – not phd students

Agreement that a residential meeting 2013 would be a good idea. Still a need to 'get together' across of former locations.

Suggestion from the phd-students that they might be invited to at least part of the meeting - common agreement among the other DF members.

Allan W suggests a residential meeting committee to suggest topics etc. of the next meeting.

The department management will soon decide when and where the next meeting will take place.

4) Information from VIP/TAP/PhD/Students

Christoffer Strandby (student member) informed of the letter written by students in the local newspaper on the student's frustrations about their conditions at the new location and about the problems in the study administration (planning of exams and lectures, ect.)

Valdemar Smith found it refreshing to have active students. Bibiana stated that the problems about the study administration also frustrate the Faculty and Staff members.

The students have formed task forces to work in finding more study spaces for students writing their final assignments speciale). There is also a wish for quiet study spaces (besides the ordinary study spaces).

5) **Information from Head of Department** <Orientation>

a) Job openings for Postdoc and Assistant Professorships. Most postdocs will be financed by external fundings of the new research centres (CIRRAU, Tryg,Tuborg).

As a consequence of a number of faculty member' participation in the American Job market (Economics) at the beginning of 2013, a number of fly-outs are taking place in January/February. At least 5-6 new postdocs/Assistant professors will be hired.

Later in 2013 the department will focus on hiring people from the American Association of Management.

b) Meeting dates in 2013:

28/1, 10:00 (Constitutional)

27/2, 10:00 (APV

3/4, 10:00 (Strategy)

24/5, 10:00 (Student Environment

27/8, 10:00 (Hiring Policy)

4/10, 10:00 Budget following year)

29/11, 10:00 (Organization of Department)

Christoffer Strandby asked whether/to which extent teaching counts when hiring new VIP.

Valdemar Smith said that in his opinion teaching qualification and willingness to teach should be considered as very important when hiring new VIP.

6) **Other business**

No issues