

TODOS Board Meeting – 21.02.2013

Time: 10:30

Place: SVHUM E-2003

Attending: Melania Borit, Sandra Ronai, Thibaud Freyd, Konstantinos Antypas, Erlend Dancke Sandorf

Referent: Erlend Dancke Sandorf

Notice of absence: Ranjan Parajuli, Lina Stangvaltaite, Lene Østvand

Agenda:

1. Updates about:

- a. Department of Geology meeting (Sandra and Lina) – The participants at the meeting showed interest in TODOS and took the flyers with them. The presentation got started later than anticipated. The organizer was enthusiastic and talked about a series of science dissemination presentations by researchers aimed at other PhD candidates not in the respective fields. This would be a cross-disciplinary event that could be interesting for TODOS to pursue.
- b. PhDs representative in the UiT Ethics Committee (Melania) – Kostas is the representative of TODOS with Melania as a deputy representative. The next meeting is to be held on the 6th of March.
- c. the course for supervisors (AFU) (Melania) – This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
- d. the pedagogy course for PhDs (Lina and Ranjan + AFU + IPL) (Melania) – This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
- e. the Marie Curie seminar arranged in collaboration with AFU (Thorbjørg Hroarsdottir) (Melania) – So far 10 people have registered for the seminar and the advertising campaign for the event is in progress.
- f. Seminar with Audun (Melania) – TODOS has sent an e-mail to follow up on this. Audun has said he is going to hold the seminar about presentation techniques in April. Melania is going to follow up this process.
- g. The flyers action – As a test fliers have been handed out in two large PhD

classes in Philosophy of Science with success. People have taken the fliers with them.

- h. FB Joseph – This case is closed. Since he did not specifically ask TODOS for help we have chosen to not pursue this issue further.
2. Jorge Cham comes to UiT, 14.03. Delegation of responsibilities – The board has decided to split the original event into two parts to extend the effect of the original event. Jorge Cham will come to UiT to hold a presentation 14th of March. The presentation will be from 1400-1500 with a book-signing from 1500-1600. The place will be announced. The second part of the event will be held on the 21st of March with a movie screening of the PhD movie and pizza. This is a nice end to the first half of the semester and an opportunity to get together before Easter. The events will be advertised on Facebook, through the newsletter, on posters around campus and Tavla. The advertising campaign starts off with a teaser on Facebook and two weeks before the first event, on the 1st of March, we start the advertising campaign on all platforms. We will make two posters. One for each event and Sandra has volunteered to be in charge of making the posters and running the teasing campaign. We will print 50 posters and Lina will coordinate the distribution of the posters as she has some experience with this. Erlend is in charge of the venue and will contact Driv. Sandra will also look into having a piece in Utopia the student newspaper.
3. FaceBook pages administration – Thibaud has volunteered to be in charge of the Facebook page and also to continue posting questions in the rector team debate.
4. Transferable skills calendar administration - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
5. Activities for 2013: set general objectives; set specific objectives - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
6. Budget: draft for 2013 - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
7. A proposal to change the TODOS Statutes - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
8. Brainstorming: arguments against the PhD candidates registration in StudentWeb in the same manner as bachelor and master students - This point is postponed to a

later meeting due to time constraint.

9. Meeting with all TER and FU representatives. How to find the names of these persons? - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
10. Meetings with PhD students at all departments. Choose which departments and when to do it. - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
11. SiN collaboration - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
12. Where are we regarding what we proposed ourselves to do?
 - a. TODOS concept development - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - b. Letter: Use of the concept "PhD student" in English language – the UiT PhD Regulation (Melania and Sandra) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - c. Letter: PhDs housing rights (Kostas and Thibaud) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - d. Letter: PhD candidates representative in Miljøutvalget (Sandra and Melania) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - e. Follow up on: HSL meetings (Melania and Sandra) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - f. Advertisement give-aways (Erlend) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - g. Brochure working group (Sandra, Erlend, Melania and Lina) – Sandra wants to work on the brochure and the layout of the brochure. Sandra says she will lead this group if Lina declines to do so.
 - h. Get the e-mail address todos@uit.no (like a person account) and the TODOS newsletter on the RSS feed webpage of UiT (Melania) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - i. Write an intro e-mail for all the all PhDs list and for the e-mail lists managed by TODOS (Erlend) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
 - j. Survey working group: (lead by Erlend + Thibaud, Melania) - This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.

13. NARMA Conference – This point is postponed to a later meeting due to time constraint.
14. International Workshop ‘Developing Research Careers In and Beyond Europe’ Oslo 22-23 May - Research and administration conference in Oslo. Does TODOS want to spend 6 000,- on this. It is good to be visible and learn from others, however TODOS is a member of SiN and this is an issue for an organization representing all PhD candidates in Norway not just one organization from one university.
Counterargument: It will be a good inspiration for our own events, we will have more representatives to back up the one representative from SiN and it is easier to give inputs to SiN when we have been there. It was put to the vote and 4 voted for sending somebody and 1 voted against. TODOS is sending a representative to this conference. In addition we need to participate at the SiN AGM because we need at least one TODOS board member to be a part of the SiN board.
15. Miscellaneous
- New meeting 1st of march to discuss the Jorge Cham – event. 1030-1130 HSL – E3002
 - New meeting in week 10. Melania will make a doodle.
 - PhD candidates that are not hired at the university do not have voting rights for the rector team. It has been decided to send an email to follow up previous correspondence.
 - Input from Kostas: People from the leadership skills course are discussing to drop the course. Should we do something?

Meeting ended: 1231