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Minutes- Future Faculty (FF) meeting 13th of September 2018 15.00

Location: NUS, Blg 6M, conference room Tallen

Meeting participants:

Ronnie Berntsson
Daniel Marcellino
Sofie Degerman
Anna Rieckman- via Skype

Mattias Forsell- absent

Minutes recorded by Sofie Degerman.

Agenda

1. Opening of meeting

Ronnie Berntsson opened the meeting.

2. Determining the Agenda

The agenda was send out one week before the meeting and all participants agreed on the agenda. Planning for the next meeting was added as an additional point.

3. Discussion with Grant Office- update

Based on the discussions with Grants Office at the last FF meeting, Anna Rieckman has drafted an idea of what a day could look like. This document was send by e-mail to the FF board a few days before this meeting and some additions were suggested, and the document was changed accordingly. Preliminary title "How to succeed with your VR application - a two-step workshop". Anna will present this suggested plan for Grants Office, along with suggested dates (15, 21, 26, 27/11) for the First half day workshop. We should also think about potential seminar speakers that we suggest inviting. As soon as the date have been decided- Daniel will prepare a flyer that can be send out for information spreading to head-of departments and for our self to distribute. At the GO event we will also try to recruit new FF members. We will also contact the organizer of a recently announced tree-week full time grant-application course and inform about our event.

4. Discussions regarding recruitment of mere members to FF (to replace Hanna)

Hanna suggested a few clinical research candidates and Ronnie will send invitation to join the FF board by email.

5. National junior Faculty update

Ronnie attended to the NJF telephone conference earlier this week. The plans for the NJF meeting in Lund in October was discussed. One goal for this meeting is to write an Open letter regarding the current difficult employment conditions for non-tenured scientists. Ronnie will attend to this upcoming event.



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6. Update from FON

Ronnie has attended to two FON meetings as FF representative, and he provided an update. FON seems open for FF opinions and already from start the FF representation has been fruitful. In the FON priority plan for 2019, the focus on career pathways for non-tenured scientists was included. One important future aim for FON is to increase the number of PhD students at Umeå University.

7. Update from RUF

Sofie has attended to the first RUF meeting as FF representative, and she was welcomed by the RUF chairman Simon Tuck. Sofie provided an update from this meeting and informed about current grants for PhD students, the importance of documenting issues in the ISP, and discussions about the decreasing numbers of PhD students at UmU.

8. Update bylaws / mission statement / goals

Ronnie has today posted suggested bylaws/mission statements on the FF Cambro web page. We will work on these documents together and an Office 365 document will be send out. The final versions will be decided at next meeting.

9. Future Faculty Kick-off

The Kick-off is planned for late January 2019. We discussed different alternatives of how this event could be organized. An afternoon event (e.g. starting at 15.00) with presentation of FF, followed by round table discussions to identify the most important issues for FF to work on, was suggested. At this event, we plan to recruit new members to FF.

We plan to serve some snacks and (alcohol-free?) drinks. After work dinner at a restaurant in the city was suggested as a social event, but participants need to pay this themselves. Daniel will prepare a preliminary plan for this event. We will spread the information of this event as soon as we have finalized the plans and decided a date. Information about the Kick-off will also be spread at the GO event in November so the plans needs to be finalized before that.

10. FF Website/email address

Ronnie have asked the IT-department to prepare a website for FF and to provide us with an official e-mail address. Ronnie will contact Lena Åminne to discuss the location/content of FF website. Ronnie and Anna volunteered on running the website if it is user-friendly, otherwise we will ask for support at the Medical Faculty. We will take a photo of the FF board at the next meeting that we can post on the FF web-page.

11. Additional point-Next meeting

Ronnie will send out a Doodle for the October meeting. At the next meeting the bylaws, GO and the Kick-off events will be in focus.