Minutes of the *Plenaire vergadering* of the CSR on the 20th of February, 2019

Jamie van den Berg (11:25), Sofie ten Brink, Casper Colenbrander, Alex Gritsay, David Nelck, Omar Seleim (until 11:10), Sujet Hashemi Shams, Ivanna Slipets (11:04), Malou Sprinkhuizen, Blink Ujjin (11:04-13:00), Liesanne van Veen, Roeland Voorbergen;

Absent

Ksenia Golub, Michele Murgia;

Guest(s)

Iris Kingma *Central student assessor*

Minutes

Tamara van den Berg *Ambtelijk Secretaris*

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1. **Opening**

*Roeland opens the meeting at 11:01h and welcomes the participants.*

2. **Mail**

*The council discusses the in- and outgoing mail.*

3. **Adapting the concept minutes**

*Setting the concept minutes is postponed until next week.*

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**-- Ivanna Slipets and Blink Ujjin enter the meeting. --**
4. Checking the action list
The action list gets updated.

5. Announcements
   • Tamara has been appointed as confidence person.

6. Updates DB & taskforces, delegates, central student assessor
The written updates are discussed briefly.
   • Roeland asks Liesanne to forward the plans about student engagement at the FdG / AMC to the CSR.
   • Liesanne explains that the FSR-FdG receives many requests for information and is trying to create a banner in CANVAS to provide information. As the UvA does not want to change the design of Canvas, this will take some time. The FSR-FdG has contacted the faculty - and central ICTS groups and Canvas management about this. David explains that is costly to reprogram the design as every update afterward that would need to be done manually.
   • Sujet asks for an update on the CBO meeting about Diversity. Iris explains that the Green Paper Diversity, including plans, was discussed and given comments on during the meeting. The CSR will ask for an update about the content and procedure during the OV.

7. Setting the agenda
The agenda is set with changes. The PR agenda points are moved up on the agenda.

8. PR events: orchestral performance
Sujet agrees with focussing on Mental Health in the organization of the event but says that this is an UvA-wide problem and therefore should not only have an event at REC. PR wants to organize the performance at REC due to the central location and the fact that 3 faculties are housed here. Blink suggests other students travel to REC for the event but Liesanne and Sofie say this is not doable at the middle of the day. Ivanna says that FS allows the event only between 12-13 at REC. Sofie says that it is not justifiable that PR focuses on REC for the CSR’s events as they represent the entire university. The council disagrees about collaborating with Room for Discussion in attracting more students for the performance.

   -- Jamie van den Berg enters the meeting. --

Sofie stresses again that the E-hall is unsuitable, and the council suggests organizing the event at several locations. Kseniia needs to provide an overview of the current budget to decide on this. (action) Liesanne suggests organizing multiple shorter concerts at different locations. PR checks alternatives or additions to the organization of the performance at REC. (action)

The council agrees to mention the upcoming elections in the promotion for the performance, next to the symbolic link with mental health. PR works out a concrete plan for promoting the event (with banners, posters, etc.) while attracting attention to mental health and promotion elections. (action)

The date for the event has not yet been set. Ivanna will check this. (action)

9. Elections
Taskforce elections – PR needs help with the organization of the elections. The elections will be discussed weekly would at the end of the PR meeting. Alex and Roeland will join the elections taskforce. David and Sofie will consider. PR will ask whether Casper is interested to join. The taskforce will also consider organizing an event after the kandidaatstelling.

Timeline - Tamara asks when the timeline of BC can be expected; it will be sent hopefully this week. Omar also forwarded the CSR's timeline to BC.

Promotion - Malou asks which information will be noted on the UvA-website. Roeland says that BC is writing a plan to provide information about all student parties on the UvA elections website; this would eliminate the use of the CSR’s election website. The council is in favour of redirecting the uvaverkiezingen.nl to the UvA webpage. PR informs the FSR’s that the website will be changed before they print their posters. (action) BC will organize a Folia elections newspaper and two student newsletters. Sofie suggests including information on how to start a party and to apply for party financing on the UvA’s website. Sujet suggests making a documentary which tells about the CSR’s work and importance. PR does not want to set this up.

Malou asks when all locations will be booked; Tamara is waiting for Omar’s input for doing so.

Alex says that De Vrije Student is currently using UvA screens for promotion.

Budget - Jamie asks to include the budget for events and promotion, and to list all important dates. (action) PR will inform the parties how they can acquire promotional materials.

Kieswijzer - Malou urges to set a date for the meeting in April with all parties and Joran to discuss statements and questions for the Kieswijzer. Omar will organize this.

Information event - Sofie asks why the promotion for candiday would only be organized in the REC E-hall. PR explains they want to organize the event at REC and that they prefer the E-hall over the A-hall. The council discusses the importance of organizing these events at other locations as well. The council is in favour of organizing the promotion at all campuses. PR will think of a way of setting this up to organize at all campuses. (action) The promotion will be done by the delegate of the campus + 1 other CSR member. The parties will also be invited if they are interested, but the focus would be with promoting the CSR. Sofie urges PR to visit all campuses, and if this is not possible, to focus on the campuses which the CSR doesn’t visit often. PR does not want to organize an event for all parties and councils together. Liesanne suggests PR to look at the VU posters which match students to a council member via ‘Tinder’. Liesanne forwards this info to the PR committee. (action)

-- Omar Seleim leaves the meeting. --

10. Sustainability – Catering
Paragraph 1 – Suggestions adopted.
Paragraph 2 – Suggestions adopted.
Paragraph 4 – ‘better ways of waste separation’, the CSR will ask the CvB to work this out concretely. The point about drink dispensers will be included. The bullet points on reusability and non-reusable waste separation will be combined.
Paragraph 5 – The points on setting a better balance between the different options and meat/ vegan/ vegetarian will be combined.
Paragraph 6 – Suggestions adopted.

Voting proposal: The CSR decides to send their letter of advice on sustainable catering, as discussed in PV190220.

In favour 9
Against 0
Blanco 3
Abstain 0

The voting proposal is adopted.
11. Education & Accessibility

Title Remains unchanged

Paragraph 1 No comments

Paragraph 2 – The council agrees to change to ‘more sustainable selection procedures’.

Paragraph 3 – Textual changes adopted.

Addition about ‘international students and programmes with pre-existing NF’ adopted.

Addition about CvB not wanting the UvA to grow is adopted.

Paragraph 4 – Percentage points adopted.

Addition to ‘actively consider’ adopted.

Addition to ‘once made possible by the Dutch government’ adopted. English programs, and if possible also English tracks.

Paragraph 5 – The council agrees to remove the first sentence of the paragraph.

The sentence about ‘scarcity of student places’ is removed.

The phrase about ‘supporting a policy of selection’ is changed to: “The CSR believes that the criteria used in the process”.

Paragraph 6 – Updated: the CSR wants a procedural change. If selection is applied, then the criteria should be relevant.

Paragraph 7 – ‘official’ removed

Paragraph 8 section I– update to ‘the student’. Remove ‘strictly’.

Paragraph 9 section II– Updated: ‘have a limited role’ in the selection process.

The council agrees with the addition that candidates should not be excluded based on results of selection.

Paragraph 10 section III– Textual changes adopted.

Sentence about risk of biases and interviews added.

Paragraph 11 section VI – Council agrees including a phrase about financial check as ‘the CSR opposes the content of the plan playing a role.”

Paragraph 12 – Added: together coming up with a plan to ensure that ideas have an effect.

Additional – Continuous evaluation of selection, evaluating of objectivity. Decentral approach being kept in mind throughout implementation.

--- Blink Ujjin leaves the meeting. ---

Alex updates the CSR’s advice on Education & Selection based on the input from PV190220. (action) The decision about sending the advice will be done via e-mail vote which will be sent on 20 February and that will last until Friday, 22 February 10.00h.

12. Elections Regulations

Roeland suggests paying attention to what happens when the election of an OC is unsuccessful; this would create OC’s with staff but no student members. Malou suggests asking the FSR’s for help to get in contact with all OC’s. Sofie will contact the FSR’s. (action) Malou suggests asking specifically the OC’s that held elections last year for their input.

13. Profiling Fund

Sofie explains that the Profiling Fund (PF) is not valid in entirety and therefore needs revision. Malou suggests asking the CvB about the VSNU’s statement. Roeland suggests bringing forth the new points of focus for the evaluation, also in the case that the Profiling Fund will not be revised.
14. W.V.T.T.K. / Any other business

- **Vacation week** – Malou informs the council that Mieke Sillekens will work on composing a note about the extra holiday week and possible plans. This will be discussed during the theme sessions with deans about the 8-8-4 semester planning. Malou will ask Mariska Herweijer for more information.

    -- Liesanne van Veen leaves the meeting. --

- **MOOC** – Sujet says that the content of the MOOC has not yet been decided on. This will be discussed in O&O. (action)

    -- Iris Kingma leaves the meeting. --

- **DVS promotion** – *Due to a shortage of time, this item is not discussed.*

15. Input requests for the FSR’s

None.

16. To the media

None.

17. Evaluating the PV

*The CSR evaluates the course of the PV and the quality of the meeting pieces.*

18. Questions + closing the meeting

- Malou invites the CSR to join the FSR-FNWI in purchasing bulk of council condoms for promotional purposes. Malou forwards the proposal to PR. (action)

Roeland closes the meeting at 13.41h.

**Decisions**

D190220-01 The CSR decides to send their letter of advice on sustainable catering, as discussed in PV190220.

**Action list**

190220-01 PR checks for alternative or additional locations for organizing the music performance, while also considering the option of organizing several shorter concerts.

190220-02 Kseniia informs the CSR about the budget allocation for ‘other events’.

190220-03 PR works out a concrete plan for promoting the music performance, in order to attract attention for mental health issues while also announcing the upcoming student council elections.

190220-04 Ivanna checks how long in advance the date for the music performance needs to be set with the orchestra or quartet.

190220-05 PR informs the FSR’s about the suggested change of the promotional website for the elections, to avoid misprints on promotional materials.

190220-06 Omar includes the budget and dates for the student council elections in the timeline.

190220-07 The Taskforce Elections considers organizing another promotion event after setting the candidacy list.

190220-08 Liesanne forwards the VU promotional material for the student council elections to PR.
PR works out a plan for promoting the CSR and student council elections, prior to setting the candidacy lists, at all faculties.

Alex updates the CSR’s advice on Education & Selection based on the input from PV190220.

Sofie contacts the FSR’s, and via them the OC’s, for their input on revising the Elections Regulations.

Malou contacts Mariska Herweijer to discuss sending a memo for the CBO theme session about the semester planning and the extra week of holiday.

Malou forwards the proposal for purchasing promotional council condoms to PR.

Roeland contacts Jaco van Veen about his role as RvA-chair and discusses with the DB how to follow up on the problems with the RvA.

David sends the letter on sustainable catering for an editorial round from February 14th until February 17th 10.00h. A decision on sending the letter will be made during PV190220.

The delegates ask their FSR’s for best practices with regard to scheduling overlap in case of additional courses or double programs.

Malou inquires the costs and FTE required for dealing with BSA (dispensation).

Malou inquires which rights the university has to grant an honours certificate in the case that entry selection criteria would be removed.

The delegates ask their FSR’s for their vision on the (inter-)disciplinary honours courses and programs.

Malou writes a memo about the extra Vacation Week for the theme session of the CvB.

Sujet and Malou prepare the files that will be discussed in the UCO in advance with the CSR PV.

O&O discusses the role and functioning of AIEC.

Malou checks the availability of all student council parties and sets a date for the information event in March, before PV190220.

O&O requests the BOL survey.

Sujet checks when the regulations ‘Regeling Selectie en Plaatsing Fixusopleidingen Uva 2017-2018’ will be updated to include the central policy.

Sujet writes a draft opinion article against noting the extra time on diplomas and sends it for an editorial round from February 7th.

Malou requests input from the FSRs towards the end of the OER cycles regarding the M-OER to pass on to the CSR 2019-2020.

O&F requests the BOL survey.

Alex writes the draft advice about the CSR’s vision on Education and Selection and sends it for an editorial round from February 14th until February 17th 10.00h. A decision on sending the letter will be made during PV190220.

PR contacts AKvV for the organization of the UB-night.
David checks what commitments the caterer made with regard to sustainability during the public tender contract or afterward.

Blink asks the chair of the Raad van Advies to acquire which RvA-members will stay on and who want to step down to make room for new members.

**Pro memorie**

140908-04 The DB keeps an eye on late meeting pieces and is strict about nazendingen and being present in time.

140908-05 A double check on the spelling and grammar should be done for all communication. Committee chairs have the final responsibility in this.

141208-04 The committee chairs notify the PR-committee after their meetings which files, that the CSR is working on, should be raised in the media.

150420-01 All DB-members send their updates before Sunday 20.00h. Delegates send their updates before Wednesday 09.00h.

160502-01 Alex and Sujet take good care of the plants.

161017-04 The committee chairs make sure that everyone gives proper feedback in their committees about the work, steering and soundboard groups, and they make sure the documents are saved on the P-drive. Council members archive all their documents in the P-drive.

161017-05 The committee chairs oversee the diverse division of speakers for the OV.

170201-04 The DB oversees a proper balance between small and large files in the PV.

171108-04 The delegates check whether the agendas, minutes and letters of the FSR's are being published online.

180207-01 Council members try to take care of expressing their opinions and give arguments for their standpoints.

180917-06 Blink organizes individual coffee moments with all council members to discuss the council work and input on the evaluation weeks.

181203-01 The committee chairs make sure that the responsibility for the meeting piece becomes clear during the committee meeting.

181203-01 The committee chairs keep their OV-planning up to date and fill their OV-planning in the printed calendar in CREA 1.16.