Samenvatting van de 179e Overlegvergadering tussen de Centrale Studentenraad en het College van Bestuur gehouden op 15 oktober 2019

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Van de zijde van het College van Bestuur: Karen Maex (rector magnificus), Geert ten Dam (president CvB), Mariska Herweijer (bestuurssecretaris), Iris Kingma (central student assessor);

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Publieke tribune:

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1. Opening (13:36u) en setting the agenda
The technical chair opens the meeting and welcomes all participants.

2. Setting the concept minutes
The minutes of OV190619 and OV190711 are set. The concept minutes of OV190903 will be set at the next meeting.

3. Checking the action list

Action point 190903-02 The CvB confirms that the travel policy will be included in the Green Paper, which can be expected within a couple of weeks. Moreno asks whether assistance from the CSR is needed to finish the Green Paper. The CvB does not make use of this offer in order not to mix roles: the CSR is invited to give input on the document but the staff is responsible for drafting it.

Action point 190903-04 The CvB notes that the current Education Vision is currently being worked out along 3 main lines as recommended by the UCO: Digitalization, Student Engagement, and Education Portfolio.
The CvB states that the UvA is planning to continue working based on the Nibud calculation since other universities do as well. Changing this would be a large effort and there has not been sufficient indication that this should be changed.

Kirli emphasizes the importance of including the medezeggenschap in the annual talks. Kirli also informs the CvB that at the FGw, the dean has developed a plan for creating a 7-7-4 semester planning without properly involving the vision of the FSR in this. The CvB articulates that further detailing is to the faculties themselves as long as it fits in the general 8-8-4 schedule.

**Announcements**

**Announcements from the CSR:**
- The CSR received the request of advice on the Flex Studying regulations for 2020-2021. The second part of the Flex Studying evaluation has not yet been finalized and the CSR would like to receive this evaluation before giving their advice. An extension of the deadline is requested and the CvB will check the timeline to see whether this is possible. *(action)*
- Son asks whether the CvB would be willing to participate in a meeting of Room for Discussion with Van Engelsloven and Ascher. The CSR will forward the invitation. *(action)*

**Announcements from the CvB:**
- The hei-avond CSR-CvB that is planned for 02-04-2020 will be used to discuss the Strategic Plan 2021-2026. Van der Jagt and Ouwehand are positive about this suggestion but Ouwehand stresses that the Strategic Plan should also be discussed (informally) before to give input on the themes.
- Jacqueline Schoone will start as Acting Ombudsperson on November 1st. Moreno has been in contact with Euving to set an introductory meeting.
- The UvA received positive advice from the committee that visited the UvA regarding the Quality Agreements. Now it is up to the NVAO and the OCW Minister. The CvB thanks the CSR for their contribution and the discussions.

**Decentral rights for setting the faculty Strategic Plan 2021-2026**

The CvB provided legal information by e-mail explaining why the FSR’s are not eligible for getting consenting rights on the faculty Strategic Plans. The CSR thanks the CvB for this message but due to the short notice has not yet had the time to discuss this internally. The CSR will respond to the provided information as soon as possible.

Van der Jagt asks a number of clarifying questions. The dean is in the lead of setting the faculty Strategic Plans and it is up to the dean to decide how to involve the FSR in the process leading to the Faculty strategic plans. The progress so far differs per faculty, for example, the FMG and FEB have already started, and all faculties are asked to develop their plans in line with the central Strategic Plan.

**Code Goed Bestuur (VSNU) // Code of Good Governance (VSNU)**

As the VSNU document was only forwarded last week, the CSR thanks the CvB for involving them in the process but they do note to not yet have formed a stance on it. The CSR asks the CvB to state their views on the document.
The President is positive about the document as it defines Good Governance and the roles and position of all different stakeholders. The code does not list rules for governing but emphasizes the importance of creating the necessary culture which is the basis for good governance. Moreover, the code is written in general terms to accommodate all different universities, which also means the Code will need to be placed in the context of the UvA in order to allow acting upon it. The rector adds that it is interesting that the Code discusses what a good university should be like; the UvA will now need to see how to incorporate this in the University Regulations. The CvB considers in which ways to implement the VSNU Code of Good Governance into the University Regulations. This can take place in the working group that will discuss the revision of the UR, for which the CSR and COR will be invited. (action)

The CvB asks the CSR for their initial ideas about the Code of Good Governance. Van der Jagt agrees to informally respond after the meeting. Moreno asks whether an English translation of the text will be provided by the VSNU. The CvB will check this.

7. Any other business
Nothing.

8. Questions
- Son asks the CvB for comments about the CSR’s plans for creating a language course. As the status of this document was ‘preliminary’, the CvB had not yet checked this. This will be discussed further during the informal session.
- Moreno asks for an update on the Social Safety working group. The President explains that the working group has started and that regular updates can be expected. The contact details of the working group will be provided to the CSR. (action)

9. End of the meeting (14:10 hour)
The technical chair closes the meeting and thanks all participants for their contribution.
The CvB considers checking alternative calculations to the Nibud’s indication for the maximum amount of costs for study materials, as noted in the Student Charter.

The CvB informs the CSR before the summer about the updated plans for setting up an extra week of holidays during the second semester.

The CvB keeps the CSR informed about the progress of the working group Social Safety, which is working on improving the system of Confidential Advisors and social safety at the UvA.

The CvB pays close attention to the involvement of PhD's when getting input from the academic community.

The CvB keeps the CSR updated about the steps that are taken with regard to (alternatives to) the NSE.

The CvB emphasizes the importance of incorporating the input of the medezeggenschap while preparing for the annual talks with the deans.

Het College geeft indien van toepassing de CSR een update ten aanzien van de samenwerkingsplannen met andere instellingen of instituten.

Het CvB zal de capaciteit van fietsenplekken, studieplekken en ruimtes voor studieverenigingen tijdens het realiseren van de nieuwbouw en verhuizingen scherp in de gaten houden en ingrijpen wanneer een tekort ontstaat.

Het College voorziet de CSR van een halfjaarlijkse tijdsplanning voor adviesmomenten.

Er zal duidelijk worden stilgestaan bij (mondelinge) toezeggingen van het College, zodat er geen onnodige schriftelijke reacties hoeven te worden gegeven, maar de toezeggingen wel helder worden genoteleerd.

Indien de CSR vraagt om een motivatie voor vertrouwelijkheid van een stuk, zal het College het stuk daarvan voorzien.

De contactpersoon van de medezeggenschap kan ook worden benaderd voor vragen en het verstrekken van informatie aan de FSR'en.