

**Minutes of 15th meeting in the Academy Council at the Faculty of Engineering
Tuesday 6th September 2011 between 10.00-12.00 in meeting room 1
Niels Bohrs Allé 1, Odense**

Present:

Dean Per Michael Johansen (Chairman), Bo Nørregaard Jørgensen (Mærsk), Søren Lind Christiansen (Head of Secretariat), Svend G. Sommer (KBM), Ulrik Haaning Mikkelsen (Student), Søren Elmer Kristensen (Observer), Sanne Lefevre (Minute taker).

Absent with apologies:

Linh Cao Houng (ITI), Dorthe Anicka Wagenaar (Mærsk), Lone Borgersen (Mærsk), Peder Christensen (Mærsk), Morten Willatzen (MCI), Ciprian Cimpan (Student) and Rune Duban Grandal (Student).

Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Development contracts for 2012-2014. Attached as enclosure 1, note "Challenges for the Danish Universities 2012".
3. Orientation from the dean
 - a. Status on the new construction at TEK
 - b. Prognoses for the utilization of common classrooms at SDU 2011-2015
 - c. News from the regulations committee
4. AOB

Ad 1. Welcome

Ad 2. Development contracts for 2012-2014

The dean went through "Challenges for the Danish Universities 2012", which covers the development contracts.

New 3 year development contracts for 2012-2014 between the universities and the minister for science, has to be signed as an effect of the changes in the University Law, which was passed by the parliament 19th May 2011. The development contract advances a number of mandatory goals (3-5) and self-selected goals (3-5) which are expected to be reached during the period of the contract.

The self-selected goals of the university are to be drawn up by the respective university and are expected to reflect the strategic priorities and profile of the university.

The Academy Council discussed which goals in the development contract TEK could possibly centre around.

The following topics were discussed:

The student centred university
Internationalization of research
Scientific work level and visibility
Regionalization

Commercialization and entrepreneurship
Communication of knowledge
Innovation
Personnel policy

The Academy Council suggests that TEK focus on the topics: “The student centred university” and “Scientific work level and visibility”. The topic “The student centred university” was enhanced to underpin an already existing project at SDU, which puts the students in the centre and which supports education, which is one of SDUs core services.

The other topic “Scientific work level and visibility” underpins the research structure at TEK and focuses on SDUs other core service, research.

Ad 3. Orientation from the dean

a. Status on the construction at TEK

The construction programme for TEKs new construction is complete and the next step is the initiation of the prior and the main project. The competitive bidding will presumably start in spring 2012 and the construction is expected to finish in the summer of 2015.

b. Prognoses for the utilization of common classrooms at SDU 2011-2015

With the move of both TEK and SUND to Campusvej, focus has been on the future teaching capacity and the need for class rooms will be identified in the fall. An examination of whether booked class rooms are being used and if the number of students matches the class rooms will take place.

c. News from the regulations committee

The new university law entail, that it is now possible to experiment with new organisation models at the universities. The regulations committee at SDU is expected to keep the present structure of the university. The regulations committee has furthermore discussed how it is possible to secure co-determination and involvement of employees and students in important decisions. Management representatives of the committee, the pro-vice-chancellor and the dean from TEK have suggested two new forums: an institute council and a faculty council. The specific composition of these councils, the appointment of members and the task portfolio are presently discussed in the committee. AR will be informed of the progress at the next meeting.

Ad 4. AOB

- a.** It is decided that the Academy Councils meetings are held Fridays between 12.00-14.00, to ensure participation from as many members as possible. Sandwiches will be served.
- b.** The time horizon for TEKs internal procedures for the VTU assessment of UVM associate professors have been announced to the Heads of Department. Several Heads of Department have responded. The dean will have more information regarding this at the next meeting for the Academy Council.

Next meeting: 9th December 2011 between 12.00-14.00 in meeting room