

MINUTES FROM DEPARTMENTAL MEETING 14 FEBRUARY 2014

The following employees were absent with prior notice:

Nadia Kristensen, Bent Jørgensen, Yuri Goegebeur, Lene Monrad Favrhøldt, Morten Rask Petersen, Hillary Siwei Han, Thomas Rohde Albrechtsen, Fernando Colchero, Jesper With Mikkelsen, Christian Kudahl, Benjamin Mingming Fu, Fenix Wenda Huang, Christian Wiwie, Xiaofeng Chen and Thomas Jiaxian Li.

The following employees were absent without prior notice:

Vincent Drach, Ning Jin, Ahmed Khan Leghari.

Ad 1) Short messages by the head of department

- a) Martin Svensson (MS) welcomed Tilde My Larsen as a PhD student with Jørgen Bang-Jensen (JBJ) as supervisor.
- b) MS also welcomed Wagner Hugo Bonat as a PhD student with Bent Jørgensen (BJ) as supervisor.
- c) Markus Nebel (MN) has returned to IMADA to teach in the 3rd quarter.
- d) Yongluan Zhou (YZ), Peter Schneider-Kamp (PSK) and MS are working with the positions for the new computer science assistant professor.
- e) The TA contracts have been submitted.
- f) Claus Michelsen (CM) has finished his position as Pro Dean and is now professor with special responsibilities. He is about to establish a new unit together with UCL and UCS. The purpose of the unit is to develop a coherent teacher education system for all teachers from elementary school to gymnasia.
- g) CM is still the head of the PhD school. At the moment there is no head of studies at this faculty. The study board has to suggest a new head of studies to the dean.
- h) There has been some changes to the advisory board of IMADA. Carsten Clausen remains as chairman. The old members are Agata Przysbyszewska, John Schou, Hanne Schultz. New members are Svend Jesper Knudsen (one of BJ's old students), Morten Bern (one of JBJ's old students) and Mahmoud Abou Chouk who is a former MMMI student. Finally IT Forum Fyn has offered to suggest a candidate. A first meeting with the new panel is expected to take place in the spring.
- i) A status meeting for "uddannelsesberetning" will take place April 29th. This is one of the main parts of our quality control system for our degrees. We have to make one such report for each of our degrees. Forms have to be filled 2 weeks before the status meeting. Staff members from the teaching committee are working on this.
- j) The implementation of the "studiefremdriftsreform" in autumn 2014 will mean that our students are more likely to be financially punished on their student support if they fall behind in their studies.
- k) A new law for talent track or "honours programmes" has been proposed, and is expected to be implemented summer 2014. In anticipation of this, the implementation of the talent programme has been postponed until after we know the final details of the new law.
- l) "Fagperspektiverende modul" in the new master degrees will give the students the possibility to study abroad. In addition to this, SDU Erhverv is involved to create possibilities for studies with external companies. Those students wanting to be gymnasium teachers, should have the possibility for an internship at a gymnasium.

- m) From September 1st 2013 there has been changes to the terms for employment (“stillingsstruktur”). As a consequence, a postdoc can only have a 4 year long employment as the same place.
- n) The new budget has not yet arrived. There is a new layout for it with more explanation. The government is cutting 2% from “forskningsbevillingen” every year. This money is used to reward the universities who get their students to finish their degrees faster.
- o) MS has some feedback from the questionnaires from the last departmental meeting:
 - Guests are not very popular.
 - Some would prefer explaining slides sent around.
 - Newsletter before the meeting preferred.
 - Committee members should be better to give new information.
- p) The students in “Tegnestuen” will be moving to CP3’s old Ph.D. office. YZ’s group will move from the basement to “Tegnestuen”. Overall at the faculty there are problems with enough office space. If you have a guest who needs a place to sit, you should contact Per Janssen (PJ) as soon as possible.

Ad 2) Mutual information

- a) Rolf Fagerberg (RF) informed about an idea from one of the students. Once a month students and employees at IMADA could go to “fredagsbaren” together. This could be the 2nd Friday in every month the day of the departmental meeting at 15.30.
- b) PSK informed about the final version of our new degrees. It will mean some extra teaching for computer science as the old degrees are phased out, but old and new courses will be taught together as much as possible. It is important that everyone is aware of this when planning his/her courses. PSK suggested informing the students about this at “Valg undervejs” and at the Pizza Meeting. He also plans a web page with information about this.

Ad 3) Any other business

Nothing was mentioned.

The meeting ended at kl. 11.20

Martin Svensson, Head of Department
Lone Seidler Petterson, Department Secretary