

Department of Mathematics and Computer Science
Departmental forum, 16 January 2015
Minute taker: LSP

# Minutes from departmental forum

### Time and place:

Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2015 from 10.15 to 11.35 in the IMADA coffee room.

#### Absent with prior notice:

Jessica Carter, Svend Kiilerich, Hans Chr. Petersen, Lene Monrad Favrholdt, Anders Nicolai Knudsen, Andrea Bussone, Lena Lykke Jønch-Clausen, Morten Rask Petersen, Tammes Scheurer, Linda Ahrenkiel, Nadia Rahbek Dyrberg Kristensen, Bent Jørgensen, Kristian Debrabant, Jørgen Bang-Jensen, Nicky Cordua Mattsson, Kasper Grud Skat Madsen, Qingsong Guo, Li Su and Morteza Chalabi Hajkarim.

## Absent without prior notice:

Bartosz Kwasniewski, Ahmed Khan Leghari, Claudio Pica, Jarno Rantaharju, Reza Rezazadegan, Christian Reidys, Uffe Thorsen, Bjarne Toft and Christian Wiwie.

# Ad 1) Short messages by the head of department

- a) MS informed that the meeting mostly will concern the coming visit by the Danish Working Environment Authority (WEA). As a consequence, information about Peter Schneider-Kamp's (PSK) new professor position will be postponed to a later meeting.
- b) Jørgen Bang-Jensen (JBJ) will be on sabbatical in the spring semester 2015 and Jing Qin (JQ) will be away on sabbatical for the whole year of 2015. If anyone wishes to go on sabbatical please talk about it in your research groups.
- c) New external employees this spring are: Kim Frøyshov, Mauricio Lòpez, Ditte Jørgensen and Magnus Gausdal Find. They will all be teaching mathematics courses.
- d) Three job advertisements in mathematics are on their way in the system.
- e) Francisco Villavicencio has started a PhD position January 1<sup>st</sup> with Fernando Colchero (FC) as supervisor. Formal supervisor is Donald Canfield from the Department of Biology.
- f) Michele Della Morte (MDM) replaces Kristian Debrabant (KD) in the local PhD committee. Daniel Merkle (DM) replaces JBJ in the teaching committee.
- g) Thea Marie Drachen was presented. She is working partly in the mathematical library together with Susanne Skov and Ole Ellegaard.
- h) The university obtained a positive *institutionsakkreditering* in December. It will last for 6 years. It can be seen as a stamp of approval of the university quality policy. As a consequence of this, existing and new degrees do not have to be accredited anymore. New degrees will have to be pre-qualified before they can be started up, and the main part of this is to show that there will be adequate jobs for students completing the degree.
- i) The separate intake for mathematics and applied mathematics has been granted now from autumn 2015.
- j) The Vice Chancellor has sent an e-mail to everybody about dimensioneringen.
- k) There are some changes in regard to the reference shelf. If you want to put books on the shelf, you have to log in to the self service system and order the books there. The username and the password is



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the course code. You can also go to the library and find them yourself and pass them on to the librarian, or a combination thereof.

# Ad 2) Work environment inspection

The Danish Working Environment Authority (WEA) will be paying a visit to our department on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> of January from 9.00 to 10.15. They are going to check that we follow the law in respect to both the physical and psychological work environment. They will meet with MS (work environment leader) and Lone Seidler Petterson (LSP, work environment representative), but will most likely also have a look around the department. They will be interested in the health and safety risk assessment (APV). This is carried out every 3<sup>rd</sup> year, the last time was in autumn 2012. The APV can be found on SDU-net and the results were discussed at a departmental forum in the beginning of 2013. The action plan can be found behind LSP's desk at the secretariat.

In December the new emergency plan for SDU was implemented. This can be found in both an English and a Danish version on www.sdu.dk/beredskab/IMADA.

Slides from the departmental forum and links to rules and guidelines are attached to the e-mail with the minutes from this departmental forum.

### Ad 3) SmartReg

Joan Boyar introduced the new SmartReg system, which will be used for the PhD students to register the work that they have done. Login details will be sent in an email from LSP. The system is supposed to be used by all PhD students, except those who are expected to finish in 2015.

#### Ad 4) Mutual information

- a) Rolf Fagerberg (RF) informed about the new bread club structure. One must be a member of the bread club in order to have bread on normal Fridays. On Fridays with departmental forums the bread is for everyone. As a new procedure, members of the bread club pay for the bread for the department themselves when it is their turn. Therefore, money will neither be collected nor refunded from now on. You will receive an e-mail, when it is your turn to bring the bread. There is a surplus from the old system, most of which will be given to the Christmas Party.
- b) PSK will be approaching people about the Smart City project. He had a meeting recently and will be getting data from FynBus.

### Ad 5) Any other business

No comments to this item.