Nordplus Idrott Network meeting 19th and 20th of November 2015

Minutes:

Present: Susanne Lundvall, Johan Lundberg, Magnus Ferry, Claes Annerstedt, Dagmar Dahl, Anne Mette Rasmussen, Arne Rosendahl, Lillan Madsen, Erik Mygind, Simon Jeppesen, Thomas Skovgaard, Solfrid Bratland-Landa, Laila Hjort Nielsen, Elena Solovjova, Rita Gruodyte, Jan Mustell, Aage Radmann, Minna Rasinaho, Charlotte Dickmeiss, Karsten Froberg, Hafthor Gudmundsson

• **Update on the Nordplus Idrott Network by Karsten Froberg & Thomas Skovgaard**Review of network website and presentation of the final report for 2014-15; update on extra grant funds for 2015-16; description of the application procedures; a brief going through the last meetings and minutes; information on network group activities.

Participants made a few remarks on how network institutions are making use of the possibility of achieving grants.

An idea was put forward, to put together a list of accessible courses for students across the participating institutions. It was decided to make a list of interesting courses on the webpage. Charlotte Dickmeiss will request this through email to the network members. The list can e.g. be posted on our Facebook page.

Erik Mygind is working on an application in order to restore and expand activities in relation to Nordic Outdoor Life.

Arne Rosendal pointed out the importance of meeting and getting inspired from the Nordplus Idrott meetings.

Karsten Froberg also noted that this result/gain is important to note in the program reporting. Karsten Froberg will ask the network groups to deliver info about network activity through the year.

Susanne Lundvall mentioned the possibility to apply for development funds in order to establish a master course or a network conference.

News from institutions

The institutions gave a status regarding amount of students, which types of BA and MA courses are available and if these were in English and thus widely accessible for exchange students (for more information, please see the supplementing notes and slides).

• Information regarding Nordplus Program Period 2017-2021

Karsten Froberg attended a central Nordplus evaluation meeting organized by the Danish Ministry of Education. The message seemed to be that applicants should put focus on *Intensive Programs* and *Express mobilities*. Therefore the network member institutions should consider sending students to summer & winter schools of about 10 days duration due to these improved funding possibilities.

Since a new Nordplus round will start in 2017 for a 5 year period, all members of the Nordplus Idrott network need to renew the signed letter of interest being a member of the network.

• The future of the network

The network period 2017-21 is a new era – what is our mission? We have to show/document the added value of the network. It's not enough to meet with colleagues and be inspired.

Input from the participants:

- ✓ Reports from the networks showing activities
- ✓ Published papers on network activities
- ✓ Master projects building on student and staff exchange
- ✓ Student driven research
- ✓ Master courses 'bank' (widely shared resource) on the Nordplus Idrott webpage
- ✓ Online master courses
- ✓ Cultural and comparative perspective is the added value
- ✓ Nordic Master
- ✓ Credits for network meetings
- ✓ Yearly publication from Nordplus-Idrott central & networks
- ✓ Publish where? Idrottsforum.org & Nordplus-Idrott website
- ✓ Quantifiable evaluation of the students' exchange benefits
- ✓ Nordic perspective in IP application
- ✓ Practitioner's course summer course Nordic perspective compared to a European perspective and Nordic regions to other regions
- ✓ Survey students 2-3 years back
- ✓ Survey teacher exchange

Thomas Skovgaard: SDU, as network coordinator, is happy to draw up the 2016-17 application, consisting of four main tracks:

- ✓ Network Conference
- ✓ Intensive course/program
- ✓ Regular exchange of students
- ✓ Regular exchange of staff

Karsten Froberg: We need to meet again fall 2016 – the Nordplus-Idrott network members + presentation from the network groups. Important to meet - even if we do not get funding for 2016-17. The institutions should pay for the participation in this meeting, if we will not be supported by Nordplus.

Idea for homepage: matrix with deadlines from each member institution with links to procedures and requirements in connection with student exchange.

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