Board Meeting no. 17 – May 22nd 2023 Minutes



PhD Chapter at KTH

Place: <u>https://kth-se.zoom.us/j/63553634309</u> Time: 15:00-17:00, May 22nd 2023

§1. Opening formalities [15:10-15:15]

- a. Meeting opening The meeting was open at 15:10.
- b. Invited: chapter board, auditors, WoP Attendees: Daniel, Doga, Fabio, Mohammad
- c. Choice of meeting chairperson Mohammad was chosen as meeting chairperson.
- d. Choice of meeting secretary Daniel was chosen as meeting secretary.
- e. Choice of meeting minutes checker Doga was chosen as minutes checker.
- f. Approval of meeting agenda Meeting agenda was approved.
- g. The latest protocol checking and signing The latest protocol was checked and approved.

§2. Reports & updates [15:15-15:45]

- a. Board reports
 - i. KTH PhD Survey.

Mohammad informed that the survey has been released for a few weeks and so far received around 500 respondents from PhD students, and will send another reminder in a push to get more respondents. The councils nominated some people to help with school level analysis of the data for the, and there will be a meeting soon.

 Time Compensation Guidelines for PhD Representatives at SCI School. Mohammad informed that they received a reply from the SCI's FA and there is an intention to decrease the amount of compensation, and

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Mohammad will work together with the SCI Council to advocate why the guidelines should stay as it is.

i. Supervisor of The Year Award.

Mohammad spoke on behalf of Sahba, informing that the jury members are going through the responses and the deadline for submission of the evaluations is Friday (26). The next step would be to compare all these evaluations and then have a meeting and decide whether a second round or if there is a clear winner.

ii. FEST courses for PhD students

Daniel explained that the board was offered 15 spots for FEST courses. The course is now offered on Canvas but only in Swedish, and includes an online exam.

ii. Eurodoc Conference

Mohammad informed that the eurodoc annual conference will be held in Uppsala on 7th and 8th June. The PhD Chapter received an invitation for four participants with conference fees waived and accommodation covered by the conference organizers, the chapter needs to cover only the transportation cost.

iii. Events

Daniel said the recent events that the PhD Chapter had hosted were the Laser Tag tournament, the hiking trip and the recent PhD pub with Flygsektionen.

- b. THS Central
 - i. Mohammad informed that there is a new Presidium for THS and he will meet them in the next couple of weeks.
 - ii. Mohammad also said that the last day to use the PhD Chapter Hall before summer is June 19th.
- c. From KTH Central Organizational Bodies
 - 1. Education Council (Sv. Utbildningsnämnd, UN)

Doga spoke about the need for results from the PhD Survey and that it is important to have it as soon as possible.

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- 2. Third Cycle Education Committee (Sv. Forskarutbildningsutskottet, FU) Similar to the previous point.
- Future Faculty errands
 Daniel informed that Jana is taking over the future faculty errands as it makes
 more sense for the council coordinator to deal with them than the webmaster.

§3. Discussion points [15:45-16:10]

- a. Next Chapter Meeting Mohammad said that the next chapter meeting is scheduled for June 20th.
- b. Meetup Group

There was a discussion about whether the board should step up as an organizer for the Meetup group "Stockholm Doctoral Students". As the events have not been organized through this platform, the board decided to let the group expire.

§4. Meeting closure [16:10]

Meeting was adjourned at 16:10.

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