



**PhD Chapter at THS | Doktorandsektionen vid THS
Board 2025/2026**

Agenda for Board Meeting #11

Place: [Zoom](#)

Date: 2026-02-26

Time: 15.30-17.00

Invitees: Board Members, Auditor

Formalities: [5 min – 10 min]

1. Election of Meeting Chairperson, Secretary and Minute Checker.

Suggestion:

Meeting Chairperson: Hilma

Secretary: Abhilash

Minute Checker: Lena

Attendees : Hilma, Abhilash, Lena, Ivo, Kaung, Peiling, Kamila

2. Approval of Agenda.

Agenda approved.

3. Eventual matters related to formalities.

Discussions: [40 min]

4. Storträffen [Hilma] [10min]

It is a meeting held on 19th of May with various faculties and professors THS has asked us if we would like to have a seat in those meetings.

Uli and Aakriti will be asked.

5. Aalto UNITE event [Hilma] [10min]

Potential collaboration with Aalto and another university for an activity together with ideas of workshop.

Proposed meeting with Aalto for Monday.

6. Number of PhD Students per Supervisor? [Dita][15min]

Problem with dividing attention to various students by the supervisor.

To be kept in the back of our mind, but not in focus right now as there are various other issues being targeted.

Originated after Pulse survey in Dita's department.

THS document (suggestion document , thoughts) stating that Supervisor should have 10% time for one PhD student.

To have a look at the PhD survey

7. Quarnevalen [Hilma][5min]

To have an event, it is going to be on 16th of May and whether PhD chapter will participate in it.

We agree that it is a tough task.

A general email will be sent out to see the interest among the PhD students.

8. Move next meeting [Hilma] [5min]

Hilma is in a conference.

Aspects related to chapter meeting.

No particular need for the next board meeting.

Hence the meeting moved to 19th before the chapter meeting.

9. Newsletter [peiling] [5min]

If there are any inclusions for the upcoming newsletter

PhD pub dates and chapter meeting info.

Quarnevalen.

Previous events to be published: P-Hired, Retreat.

Guideline document about authorship

Approved per capsulam decisions:

17th of February:

Dita Anggrainis requested funding for the 18 weeks PhD chapter sports event at KTH hallen. 4 courts for the badminton, and 2 courts for futsal/other team sports every Tuesdays 16:00-17:00, week 9 - week 26.

The funding includes:

- 4 courts 9 weeks = $9 \times 1000 \text{ SEK/h} = 9000 \text{ SEK}$
- 2 courts 9 weeks = $9 \times 500 \text{ SEK/h} = 4500 \text{ SEK}$
- Badmintonbollar = 200 SEK
- Buffer = 500 sek

Total = **14200 SEK**

The request was approved.

19th of February:

Edith Frisk Gärtner (SCI) is requesting 9500sek (for 40 PhDs of the mathematics department, so 237.5sek pp) for "Osqvik visit"

- Description -

Several new PhD students have started at the department of mathematics during fall 2025 and beginning of 2026. Because of the office arrangements in the department, with two separate floors and separate lunch rooms, the only time all PhD students get together is during social activities after working hours. Since not a lot of this is taking place at departmental level, we feel that it is up to the other PhD students to organize events of this kind, which will hopefully lead to people making some new friends at the department. We think that Osqvik would be a great place to get everyone to feel more comfortable with their coworkers and hopefully feel more included in the social atmosphere at the department.

- Cost breakdown -

Osqvik rental for one night: 3500sek

Lunch+dinner+breakfast for 40 people: 6000sek

The request was approved:

Total request is $\leq 250 \text{sek pp}$,

Costs for "activity" are $\leq 200 \text{sek pp}$

Costs for food are $\leq 200 \text{sek}$

Ivo Bruijl (Treasurer) requested 600sek (for 2 PhDs and 1 course leader, so 200sek pp) for "Dinner bookkeeping course" on 19 February

- Description -

Bookkeeping course will be done by me and Kaung. As it starts at 17:30 and will take some hours, it will cover dinner time.

- Cost breakdown -

Dinner: $3 \times 200 \text{sek} = 600 \text{sek}$

The request was approved:

Total request is $\leq 250 \text{sek pp}$,

Costs for food are $\leq 200 \text{sek pp}$

Non-PhD students are involved, but >50% are PhD students

18th of February:

Benjamin Cottreau (SCI) of the PhD Football Team is requesting 1.005 SEK (for 8 people, so 126sek pp) for "Winter indoor session"

- Description -

Winter indoor futsal session to improve the skills and social bonding of the PhD Football Team

- Cost breakdown -

Rental of a full pitch at Frescati: 1005 SEK

The request was approved:

Total request is ≤ 250 sek pp,

Costs for activity are ≤ 200 sek pp

19th of February:

Abhilash Kulkarni(event manager) requested funding for the lunch for the visit with Aalto students.

- Description -

Meeting with Aalto PhD chapter board this Saturday at the KTH campus.

After the meeting, the plan is to have lunch with them close to the KTH campus.

- Cost breakdown -

200 SEK pp x 12 = 2400 SEK in total.

The request was approved:

Total request is ≤ 250 sek pp,

Costs for activity are ≤ 200 sek pp

25th of February:

Abhilash Kulkarni(event manager) requested funding for the Latin/Reggaetón dance night Pub on 6th of March.

- Description -

The plan is to have a dance workshop for PhD students for the first 1.5 hours taught by a professional dance teacher.

After this the pub opens for everyone with mainly an open dance floor and latin/reggaetón music through the night.

I ask this funding request much earlier since we have to also confirm the booking with the dance teacher.

- Cost breakdown -

Cost for having a dance workshop - 4700 SEK

Food for the pub workers - 200 SEK x 7 p - 1400 SEK

Buffer - 400 SEK

So in total **6500 SEK**.

The request was approved

Benjamin Cottreau (SCI) of the PhD Football Team is requesting 535 SEK (for 6 people, so 90sek pp) for "Winter indoor session" on 28 February

- Description -

Winter indoor futsal session to improve the skills and social bonding of the PhD Football Team

- Cost breakdown -

Rental of a half pitch at KTH Hallen: 535 SEK

The request was approved:

Total request is ≤ 250 sek pp,

Costs for activity are ≤ 200 sek pp

Updated request on the 27th of February: 1005sek for rental of a full pitch. Update was approved.

Mehdi Nourazar (ITM) is requesting 3000 SEK (for 12 people, so 250sek pp) for "MSE Geek Movie night in honor of the first World Wide Webpage release" on 26 February

- Description -

We tend to celebrate the release of the world wide web in the form of a geeky movie for the PhD students at MSE to enjoy a night of watching a nerdy movie/documentary about the invention of the internet or computers (to be voted upon) accompanied by snacks and dinner for the participants

- Cost breakdown -

200 SEK per person food and 50 SEK per person snacks

The request was approved:

Total request is ≤ 250 sek pp,

Costs for food are ≤ 200 sek pp

Costs for fika(/snack) are ≤ 50 sek pp

Anastasios Skoufas (ABE) is requesting 400 SEK (for 8 people, so 50sek pp) for "Monthly meeting of the doctoral students of the Division of Transport Planning" on 3 February

- Description -

During our meetings, we select a topic that concerns our PhD community and organize a roundtable discussion. In this meeting, we will talk about extroversion and the added value of a research visit during the PhD journey.

- Cost breakdown -
Fika: 50 sek pp

The request was approved:

Total request is ≤ 250 sek pp,

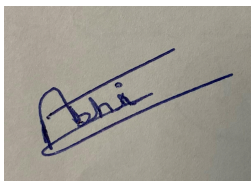
Costs for fika are ≤ 50 sek pp

It is mentioned that this is a monthly recurring event. I will comment that it is not possible for us to fund monthly recurring events due to Swedish Tax law, but that an incidental request like this is possible

Signed by:



- Meeting Chairperson



- Meeting Secretary



- Minutes Checker