

Agenda – Meeting of the Doctoral Board, 10h February 2026 15:15 – Hybrid meeting



Location: **12:228 blåsenhus**

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Attendance

Yishu Zhu, TNDR rep

Kristina Stenström, PhD Representative for Center for Medical Humanities

Foteini Tzioufa, FDR rep

Leo Martin, TNDR rep

Prabash Wijethunge, DN Chair

Sai Viswanadha Sastry Upadhyayula, Vice Chair

Elin Boyer, Event Manager

§1 Opening of the meeting

Meeting opened

Meeting opened at 15:28.

§2 Election of Adjuster for the protocol (decision)

Sai Viswanadha Sastry Upadhyayula elected as adjuster.

§3 Approval of the agenda (decision)

Agenda approved.

§4 Approval of the call procedure (decision)

Call procedure approved.

§5 Approval of previous meeting(s) minutes (decision)

Tabled for now.

§ 6 Updates from the board (20 minutes)

- **TDR** : no updates
- **JDR** : not present
- **HDR** : University AKKA- rights for PhDs under discussion. When is it appropriate to shut the student out of their accounts? A problem to be monitored in the foreseeable future.
- **SDR** : not present
- **UDR** : not present
- **MDR**: not present
- **FDR**: not present
- **TNDR** : no updates

§ 7 General updates and information from Vice Chancellor's management council (rektorsledningsmöten) in January (10 minutes)

- There has been some criticism from the DO (the discrimination ombudsman) on how the university is working on active measurements to combat discrimination so there is a new online course and new guidelines for the ones responsible. There will be new guidelines on crisis management coming soon.
- UU is looking through publication statistics: a problem is that they only count papers and not, for example, book chapters..
- Discussion of the annual report. Increase in the registry of students, but funding has not increased. Problem of overproduction of students. Every tenth student is “for free”, practically. However, some students sign up for courses but never attend, which is not accounted for here.
- There has been an ncrease in Teknat /medfarm of PhDs, decrease in hum/sam.
- New tool for course of evaluation are coming soon.
- Election 2026: established parties may use the campus to recruit voters.
- There has been a noticable decrease of PhD students from China.

§ 8 Updates from representatives (Information/discussion)(10 minutes):

- Kristina center for medical humanities: no updates
- General update (Prabash): sub-committees asking for student representatives, will be delegated to different boards.

§ 9 Social events (Elin boyer)

- 27th first AW: campfire outside & pub crawl
- 13th of march: Access Your Rights & dinner
- Early may: health focused-event focused on learning

- Monthly AW

§ 10 Business plan project progress

- 0: Doktorandombudsman in PhD intro courses
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- **1: Salary Ladder Survey**
 - Work is in progress
- **2: Access to banking system**
 - No updates
- **3: PhD Handbook**
 - No updates
- **4: UUNotalone / social media**
 - No updates
- **5: Prolongation group**
 - No updates

§19 Any other business (Discussion / information) (10-20 minutes)

- If a board wants to do a social event, DN can offer funding if the goal is to include people from other faculties.

§20 Closing of the meeting

- 15.56 meeting closed

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