



Minutes Biologiska doktorandrådet (BDR)

Present

David Gomez Blanco (MEMEG), Twinkle Biswas (Functional Zoology), Ashish (MEMEG), Yun-Ting Jang (Evolutionary Ecology)

§ 1 Start of the meeting

16:04

§ 2 Choosing secretary and minutes approving person

Chair of meeting: David Gomez Blanco Secretary: Yun-Ting Jang Minutes approving: Ashish

§ 3 Approval of agenda

Approved.

§ 4 Minutes from the last meeting

Approved.

§ 5 Announcements

- David contacted NDR and now Yun-Ting and Ashish are officially documented as part of the BDR.
- Twinkle received a invitation for the HMS meeting. However, the meeting is in Swedish, so she could not join. Henrik Wendel said that HMS would like to have a representative from the department.

§ 6 PlantLink representative

Abraham Ontiveros Cisneros from Molecular Cell Biology will be the new PhD student representative at PlantLink.

§ 7 HMS committee

David will send an invitation to PhDs to participate in HMS.

§ 8 SACT and annual BDR guest talk

David will contact SACT to help organize the annual BDR guest talk.

§ 10 Guide for new PhD students in the Department of Biology

- Updating the guide for new PhD students.
- We will check the whole document in the next meeting and publish it.
- Introduction event for PhD student: David will send out list of potential guest speakers and we will start contacting different people in January.

§ 11 Permanent reminders

- a. Late autumn - call for nominations of guest lecturer.
- b. Early spring - check with current PhD-representatives in the various organs if they want to keep their positions, and if not call for new representatives and nominate these for election through NDR. Elections take place in April/May with a change-over in positions in July.
- c. After NDR elections – update lathunden with information for all new PhD students and the information for new foreign PhD students.
- d. January and September – after scheduling the coming semester's meetings, invite the prefect and the vice prefect to join one of meetings.

§ 10 Other issues

Ashish raised interest in organizing PhD events in January or December next year. We could use these events as an opportunity to recruit new students.

§ 11 Next meetings

27 January, 16:00

24 February, 16:00

§ 12 Meeting closed

16:59

Secretary

Yun-Ting Jang

Minutes Approving person

Ashish

Chair of meeting

David Gomez Blanco