



Minutes Biologiska doktorrådet (BDR)

Present

David Gomez Blanco (MEMEG), Twinkle Biswas (FUNKZOO), Yun-Ting Jang (EVOLECO), Ashish Ashish (MEMEG)

§ 1 Start of the meeting

15:12

§ 2 Choosing secretary and minutes approving person

Chair of meeting: Ashish Ashish, Secretary: Twinkle Biswas,
Minutes approving: Yun-Ting Jang

§ 3 Approval of agenda

Approved.

§ 4 Minutes from the last meeting

Approved.

§ 5 Announcements

Ashish Ashish is planning to organise a course for new PhD students. This course content will focus more on administrative procedures, about BDR, expectations of supervisors etcetera.

After lifting covid restriction, board games have again started in the Department of Biology (Ecology building).

§ 6 SACT and annual BDR guest talk

The annual BDR guest talk will be held on 31 March 2022. The guest lecture will be followed by lunch and dinner for PhD

students who would like to join Niclas Backström for meeting and additional discussion. David will send email to invite students who are interested in joining after talk discussion.

Nathalie Feiner contacted David to book couple of nights for Niclas Backström at Grand hotel. BDR need to book an accommodation and travelling tickets for Niclas Backström.

§ 7 Guide for new PhD students and BDR invitation

Twinkle will send email to PhD students to join BDR and about the updated PhD guide.

§ 8 Possible PhD event in April (or May)/PhD retreat

Simon Jacobsen Ellerstrand (MEMEG) would like to organise an event for PhD student meetup/workshop. The time need to be schedule so it should not clash with courses and also David will contact Peter Stenild Matthesen to discuss about finance.

§9 NDR election in April

NDR (Naturvetenskapliga Doktoandrådet) will organise an election for vacant positions in April. The due date for applying for the positions is 4 April.

§ 10 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.
- e. Intro PhD event.

§ 11 Other issues

BDR needs to send a survey link for discussion of progress about PhD students for the meeting with prefect and the vice prefect.

§ 11 Next meeting

24 March, 16:00

§ 12 Meeting closed

16:15