



Minutes Biologiska doktorandrådet (BDR)

Present

Robin Pranter (FUN), Twinkle Biswas (FUNZOO), Yun-Ting Jang (EVOLECO), Ashish Ashish (MEMEG)

§ 1 Start of the meeting

16:02

§ 2 Choosing secretary and minutes approving person

Chair of meeting: Ashish Ashish Secretary: Yun-Ting Jang

Minutes approving: Twinkle Biswas

§ 3 Approval of agenda

Approved.

§ 4 Minutes from the last meeting

Approved.

§ 5 Announcements

Robin Pranter attended the meeting on behalf of FUN.

For PhD retreat, David will meet with Peter Stenlid Matthesen to discuss the finances.

§ 6 Meeting with FUN representative

Robin Pranter attended the meeting on behalf of FUN. He discussed what are the roles of FUN and the PhD representative in FUN. Twinkle brought up some questions which can be the matters FUN deals with.

§ 7 Annual BDR meeting: Guest lecturer's accommodation

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. David has booked couple of nights for Niclas Backström in Grand hotel and have arranged for his tickets too.

§ 8 NDR elections for different departmental positions (PhD student representative)

Twinkle will invite PhD students to take up the positions that are still vacant in different committees in the Biology Department. BDR still needs to find PhD representatives for HMS and GUN. Yun-ting will represent PhD students in the equality committee.

§ 9 Course for new PhD students

BDR intends to organize a course for PhD students which can help them navigate early days of doctoral studies. Finances and schedule are still being worked on.

§ 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 meetings.

§ 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 which will be scheduled for the next semester.

§ 12 Next meetings

21 April, 16:00

§ 13 Meeting closed

17:20

Secretary

Yun-Ting Jang

Minutes Approving person

Twinkle Biswas

Chair of meeting

Ashish Ashish