



Minutes Biologiska doktorandrådet (BDR)

Present

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

§ 1 Start of the meeting

16:05

§ 2 Choosing secretary and minutes approving person

Chair of meeting: David Gómez Blanco, Secretary: Ashish Ashish, Minutes approving: Twinkle Biswas

§ 3 Approval of agenda

Approved.

§ 4 Minutes from the last meeting

Approved.

§ 5 Announcements

Damandeep Kaur has joined the BDR as a new member. Ashish will be the new representative of MEMEG unit.

§ 6 Annual BDR meeting

Guest lecturer for BDR annual guest talk for 2023 has been voted and decided by all PhD students. Ashish will start coordinating the lecture with SACT.

§ 7 Prefect and the vice prefect meetings

BDR is compiling a survey for discussion of progress about PhD students for the meeting with prefect and the vice prefect which will be scheduled for the next semester. This survey will also include career meetings scheduled for PhD students after their half-time seminar.

§8 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 in works.

§ 9 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.

§ 10 Other issues

The BDR have discussed the Covid extension for students who were affected by working from home. BDR is working on collecting more information from departmental meeting.

§ 11 Next meetings

5th December, 16:00

§ 14 Meeting closed
16:45