

**Students of Social and Health Sciences  
Board meeting 5/2021**



**Time: Monday 18th May 2021, at 17.00**

**Location: via Microsoft Teams**

**Attendants of the Board:** Mikael Marjamäki, Suvi Varissaari, Heidi Kusnetsov, Merja Sovala, Sonja Veistinen, Miro Suomela

**Attendants outside of the Board:** Isabel Lehtikallio

**Not attending from the board:** Mikko Majaneva

**1. Well-being of the Board**

**2. Opening of the meeting**

- The meeting is opened at 17.07

**3. Legality and the quorum of the meeting**

- The legality and the quorum of the meeting are approved.

**4. Examiners for the minute**

- Sonja Veistinen and Heidi Kusnetsov are elected.

**5. Approving the agenda**

- The agenda being featured in the summons is approved.

**6. Announcements**

- Miro Suomela brings up a communications contention received from MAB. Addressing of this matter moved to section "10. Communications".
- Internationality: a notification of an acting course aimed at the international students from Tukkatatteri. The duration of the course is a few days. The information has been forwarded to international students via International students Telegram channel. After a short discussion it is decided that the information should also be sent via YTY's international channel.
- A message has arrived from TREY concerning the equality strategy and principles. TREY is arranging a training concerning the matter on the 3rd of June 2021, between 15.30-17.30, sign up ends on the 1st of June. After a discussion over the importance of this training in relation to YTY's equality work ahead of itself in autumn, it is decided it would be good if one or more of the officials could attend. Suvi Varissaari volunteers to sign up for the training, Heidi Kusnetsov might also join.
- Sonja Veistinen brings up a feedback YTY has received on the 25th of April 2021. Addressing of this feedback moved to section "10. Communications".

- Additionally it is brought to question if there should be an appointed official to check for feedbacks received prior to meetings and then to bring them up during the meetings. Mikael Marjamäki volunteers.
- CAPTHCHA has proven to be useful in diminishing the amount of spam mail in the feedback form.

## **7. Financial matters**

- Account balance on 18th May 2021: 1 554,62€
- Account transactions
  - Expenses:
    - § Osuuspankki, April service charge 8,00€
  - Revenue: -€
- Budgeting
  - 10€ for the servings for the tutoring coordinators' meeting
  - 10€ for the servings for the international affairs officials' meeting
  - 27€ for the refreshment of YTY's officials
  - 30€ for the prizes of the DistanceWappu lottery's winners (post-budgeting).
- Other financial matters
  - The account activity documents from the beginning of this year should arrive via postal mail (a wrong address has delayed the documents).
  - Suvi Varissaari will create an index number for the payment of the overall badges.

## **8. Organizational matters**

- The last meeting with the Dean has been held on the 10th of May 2021.
  - All Chairs were present, the conversation summed up the matters of the past spring and agreements over tentative schedules for the upcoming autumn were made.
  - The university's exit plan for the corona pandemic was reviewed and it will be verified in the beginning of August. By then it will be better known what will happen during autumn, but at the same time gives a short time to react. Autumn is approached with the traffic light model, mode yellow (to the best of possibilities)

## **9. Education policy matters**

- Heidi Kusnetsov has partaken in Kupillista kopoa -meeting where spring well-being and study module feedback (issues and improvement ideas) were discussed.
- A Google Forms form has been shared to students via Intra, mapping Sisu's support needs.
- The last meeting of educational affairs officials was held distanced. A conversation included the well-being of officials alongside current matters.

- A question was asked from the studies department head concerning the graduation certificates and what happens if someone is unable to retrieve it by 25th May 2021, but needs it for example to work as a substitute, for a job application or as an attachment for student loan to send to Kela.
- Temporary graduation certificates can be given out by the faculty prior to summer holiday, taken that the team is still working and able to form a temporary graduation certificate.
- No information has arrived from the studies department head how a temporary graduation certificate can be acquired. For now students can contact their own degrees' personnel or YTY's educational affairs official by emailing [heidi.kusnetsov@tuni.fi](mailto:heidi.kusnetsov@tuni.fi) who will look into the matter.
- Educational affairs officials have requested a more uncluttered communications concerning graduation. A news article is available in Intra, which can be shared to students <https://intra.tuni.fi/content/news/25615>
- Due to a request, a meeting was arranged for the Hallopedes. The thought is that YTY would activate the activity in the faculty and would take a more active role in the activity of new officials (get-to-knows' etc.). The meeting has gone well and a commendable amount of hallopedes were present.
  - A suggestion is made to give the Hallopedes to arrange an Instagram take-over on YTY's Instagram account in autumn (likewise to the Instagram takeover of the educational steering group's).
  - The activation of hallopedes has also been discussed in Kupillista kopoa -meeting. SOC is seeking and wishing for more members as not all hallopede seats have been filled. A suggestion was made that YTY would take up the matter in autumn.
- Nothing much has happened on the member associations' educational affairs front. Singular courses have had issues but those have already been resolved.
  - Coffee breaks for the members of student associations and staff have been arranged, and feedback from educational affairs officials has been positive.
  - A conversation about autumn and how studies will be affected was had.
- Not all student associations have a representative in the education steering group or the faculty's council. It is YTY's goal to increase communication and flow of information between students, the educational steering group and the faculty's council in order to give the same information to student associations with to representation as associations with representation do.
  - Based on the meeting of the educational steering group the faculty council will add specific matters for the student associations on the agenda.
- The timing of educational affairs officials' meetings has also been a topic in the conversation: is it better to arrange YTY's meetings before or after the faculty council's and the educational steering group's meetings. In this scenario educational affairs officials would be able to deliver information to their own meetings in a different way. The matter is will continue processing.
- Heidi Kusnetsov has shared a short feedback questionnaire to YTY's student associations educational affairs officials. The motive is to map out developmental ideas alongside the arrangement of more educational matter events by YTY in autumn.

## 10. Communications

- The official addressing and discussion over received feedback through YTY's feedback form will be added as its own section to upcoming minutes.
- Received feedback on the 25th of April 2021: A suggestion that YTY would sign, thus supporting "Oikeus olla" (trans. The Right to Be) civil petition.
- YTY is a politically nonaligned association which leads to a discussion over the necessity of approval from member associations if the petition is political. It is brought up that the motion is not of a political matter, more so a human rights matter. Discussion continues. The conclusion is that the question is value based and YTY's Value Work is not finished yet.
  - The decision is not straightforward for the matter does not strictly concern the university, a frame through which YTY aims to have an influence on.
  - Decision is made to send an email to member associations concerning the signing of this petition, in order to gathering votes for and against before YTY makes decision about its actions.
  - A note is made that YTY's Value Work - which with the decision could be made without asking for a separate approval from its member associations - is incomplete. A thought must be given to the action plan in a given similar situation. The discussion will be held alongside the Value Work.
- Communications official's statement concerning the development of YTY's website
  - Previously missing minutes have been added to YTY's website
  - YTY's logo has been added to the Associations section and additional information can be added if so pleases.
  - The automatic forcing of secured connection on YTY's website has caused problems. The creator of the website, Miska Puputti, has been consulted concerning the SSL (automatic https-form of web page), the installment of plugins and changes of the ftp protocols due to issues with them. The transformation of the website requires backing up the entire website which the communications official has deemed to be too high risk to perform at this stage. The matter is being investigated.
  - The communications official is happy to receive feedback on the functionality of YTY's website.
- A statement concerning the university's communication has arrived from the students from MAB.
  - The statement formed by MAB's guilds and student associations brings forth the students' frustration over unawareness of their own faculty's activity. The importance of clarity in the university's communication has increased. The statement has gained support from the faculty's student associations and has been taken forward.
  - Nothing is stopping us from spreading the statement or from forming our own > would it be wise for YTY to make a similar one in SOC?
  - Intra has been deemed to be un-focused and the planning of Intra is incomplete > what is worthwhile way of approach?
  - These issues (Intra's issues with convergence and incomplete design) bring forth a discussion over the necessity of YTY forming a similar statement to SOC

- Conclusion: the communications official will share MAB's statement not under YTY's name alongside forming a tentative inquiry to SOC's students concerning the necessity of a similar statement's formation.

### **11. Upcoming events**

- YTY hopes there will be a chance to arrange Huminat and other fun activities and events in autumn.
- A better discussion will be had on the matter in autumn.

### **12. Other current matters**

- YTY's officials' well-being evening in June both live and distanced on Sunday 6th of June 2021 at 18.00. Location to be specified. The evening will handle matters such as the tentative structure for the upcoming autumn, when events could be arranged etc.
- Preliminary discussion over the how and when of how the summer season will come to its end, when the first YTY's meeting will be held (end of August/beginning of September). The first meeting with the Dean will be held after the official beginning of the academic year.
- YTY wishes everyone a very pleasant summer! :)

### **13. Closure of the meeting**

- The meeting is closed at 19.03.

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Mikael Marjamäki

Chair

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Isabel Lehtikallio

Secretary of the meeting

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Sonja Veistinen

Examiner

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Heidi Kusnetsov

Examiner