DION board meeting – minutes

Time: Tuesday 27 March 2012 from 14:00 to 16:00
Place: E1-110, Realfagbygget Gløshaugen
Present: Kirsti Jensen, Julien Bourelle, Halvdan Haugsbakken, Magnus Steigedal, Margrethe Nergaard, Espen T. Wefring

Item 9/12 NTNU board meeting Wednesday 28 March

The following matters were discussed:

S-sak 13/12 Gjennomgående indikatorer for NTNU

The Board will pass the general indicators for the period up to 2020 (most of the data basis for measuring these indicators are to be decided upon later). As regards internationalization, they suggest measuring the number of people going in or out, but no measures on the quality, like e.g. the amount of non-Norwegians who have learned Norwegian and the extent of the contact after they finish. DION suggests that this is considered included as an indicator, and that data is collected through the work environment surveys.

In general, DION underscores that each indicator needs to be evaluated on the value it adds, relative to the work needed to get the necessary data, and how we are going to use the information we gather is the important question to ask.

S-sak 15/12 Internhusleie

What DION needs to consider, is whether the suggested model will affect the work environment – this encourages NTNU faculties and departments to make savings by cramming PhDs into offices and labs that are too small. The greatest worry is whether the model is flexible enough, and whether it may be counterproductive to cooperation between units.

The model is highly dependent on the departments and faculties’ ability to manage this resource in a solid way. For temporary employees, whose funding is project based, this might be particularly exposed.

S-sak 14/12 Inntektsfordelingsmodellen

NTNU’s income-based redistribution model has been under review for quite some time, and the Board is asked to consider some principal alternatives. Although externally funded research and thematic satsninger are a very important part of our activity, DION is concerned about the degree of research that is becoming semi-controlled as opposed to
being truly free and based on excellent quality. DION thus supports the alternative that reduces the Matthew effect of externally funded research somewhat.

**O-sak 5/12  Årsrapport læringmiljøutvalget**

DION has no substantial comments to the annual report.

**S-sak 17/12  Råd for samarbeid med arbeidslivet**

It is hard to see what benefit NTNU is to gain from this council, although DION recognizes that the Ministry of education leaves us no choice. DION is pleased to note that NTNU opts for a small council with few meetings. The Board might however be able to see some options for how this council could provide added value, and it will be interesting to hear what they think of this matter.

**O-sak 4/12  Forskningsmeldingen 2013 – innspill fra NTNU**

No substantial comments.

**Item 10/12 DION’s annual meeting and annual report for 2011**

Kirsti made an introduction based on the distributed draft of the annual report and raised the question of what kind of event one should consider for the annual meeting.

The new Board representative should introduce him/herself at the annual meeting. Andreas Wahl will give a show for Tekna at NTNU on 12 April – this could be a good opportunity for the DION annual meeting? Other suggestions are

- An information meeting on Forskerforbundet, Tekna, Akademikerne etc.?
- Conflict management?
- Stress management?
- IPR?
- Career guidance?

There were no comments on the annual report, which is thus considered final. The annual meeting can thus be held when we please. The report should in addition be distributed to NTNU’s temporary staff, most realistically via the DION web page with a link from Innsida when we announce the annual meeting.

**Item 11/12 Communication from DION**

Postponed again – we need Lars and Inger present for this one.

**Item 13/12 A.o.b**

We have received three e-mails/invitations that we need to respond to
a. **Mentordagen 24. april**
DION has been asked to participate in a mentor meeting on negotiation, but none of the DION members is available that day. Kirsti will answer Svandís and suggest she contacts Tekna or Forskerforbundet.

b. **UiO: Kvalitetssikring i ph.d.-utdanningen**
UiO is about to embark on a process similar to the one NTNU has been through, and wonders if there is anyone they can contact to get some pointers. Kirsti will try to redirect them to Yngve.

c. **Veilederforum IVT 18. april**
Halvdan will participate.

Meeting ended at 16:20.

Kirsti Jensen/s/
President, DION and minutes secretary