DION board meeting – minutes

Time: 2013.11.04 - 08.30-12.00
Place: Hovedbygget rom H414

Present: Torbjørn Pedersen (TB), Evert Bouman (EB), Clara Good (CG),
Krisstoffer Lund Langlie (KL), Magnus Steigedal (MS), Merete Falch (MF),
Haakon Utby (HU)

Absent: Philipp Spenhoff (PS), Ahmet Tezel (AT), Margrethe Nergard (MN)

1 NTNU board cases
MS presents the NTNU board cases for the meeting on Nov 5. Discussed are NTNU’s internal
strategy and the budget. In general things are going well and there is a strong focus at
improving the quality of education and improved internationalization and international
standing. MS expresses that he would like improve branding of NTNU as an organization.
Right now, NTNU affiliated world leading institutes are mainly publishing under own name.
It would be good if NTNU is more prominently mentioned.

A question was asked in relation to the availability of Norwegian courses at the HF faculty.
Rumour has it that the amount of Norwegian courses has been halved. This could not be
confirmed.

With respect to the campus development, MS thinks that the process has been thorough,
though a lot of discussion remains.

2 DION Organizational Document Approval
The DION organizational document is discussed and sent back for revision and updates,
based on the comments. In general, the feel of the board members is that the current document
is much more up to date that the previous document. A short discussion on the inclusion of
the statutes was held, but no conclusion was reached. Also, a paragraph regarding board
compensation should be included. A new version of the organizational document was sent
out by TP on 10 November with deadline for comments 20 November.

3 Statement about ‘medarbeidersamtale’
In view of the time it is decided that the discussion with respect to the statement of the
performance review (medarbeidersamtale) will be done via e-mail. N.B. TP has sent out the
new statement with request for revisions by 10 November. Deadline for comments and
suggestions is 20 November.
4 Status updates
No significant status updates. DION is not ready to present specific cases to SFU. All PhD related cases received this month are handled. The list of open points on Dropbox is working well.

5 Last Wednesday November and Christmas Event
The topic of Last Wednesday in November will be Physical and Mental Health. EB will organize this event. It is decided to have a Christmas event, in the form of a purely social gathering rather than a full Last Wednesday.

6 Board photo
Due to the absence of many board members taking of the photo is postponed to next meeting.

Meeting closed at 12.00