DION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date April 6 2017, 12.30
Place Old Physics building, Room 207, Gløshaugen campus
Present Lina H. Ingeborgrud, Mathias Arbo, Alexander Busch, Hammad Majeed, Enrico Riccardi, Tu Ying, Sam A. Kasimba
Absent Kam Sripada
Observers Nina Helen Aas Røkkum, Ingvild Fjellså
Secretary Kine Sørli

Welcome
Lina welcomed to the meeting and oriented on what has happened since last board meeting. The PhD conference was a success with about 240 participants. The Lindy Hop event didn’t get so many attendees as wanted, but the event was good. Lina and Guro Busterud wrote a piece to UA 30 March about temporarily permanent employees.

Discussions related to the Board of NTNU
Nina Helen Aas Røkkum is the new elected representative for temporary scientific employees in the NTNU Board. Nina presented herself to the DION Board. The next NTNU board meeting is 14 June.

Current issues in SiN
The tentative date for SiN's Annual General Meeting is 26 May. It will be held in Oslo.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2017
Hammad and Tu Ying oriented about the planning process for the AGM. Only 11 people has signed up so far. All board members are responsible to advertise the event and invite fellow phd candidates and postdocs. Kam will send out an invitation on e-mail to all PhD and postdocs right after the Easter holiday, followed by a reminder 5 May.

Kine will contact the student representatives in the NTNU board if they can be counting party at the AGM. The board members must contribute with the organization that day. Everybody should show up around 3.30-4.30. The doors will open at 4.30.

Can we reach out to PhDs specific in Gjøvik and Ålesund, and to other temporary scientific employees at NTNU? Kine will check it up.
**DION website**

Our website is still down. Mathias oriented. He hasn’t heard anything from Orakeltjenesten. He will follow up after Easter. If Orakeltjenesten doesn’t answer, Mathias will try to set it up an easy version himself. Hopefully the website will be up before the next board period.

**Evaluation of the PhD Conference**

The board discussed their experiences from the phd conference 30 March.

Topics from the evaluation:
- The keynote was not good
- The round tables discussions: A lot of people had left before the discussions started. The topics on the different tables were a bit too similar. The engagement around the tables varied a lot. It was at the end of the day, so that can be one of the reasons.
- It would have been better if people could just stick the tables they were given from the beginning (this would ensure balance of participants and enough people at all the tables)
- It should be more balanced between Norwegian and international speakers
- The conference should be a biannual event and it may be just a half day event.

Lina and Mathias will take these points for a final evaluation with NTNU Alumni.

15 minute break

**Survey PhD with kids/ Alex, Mathias, Sam**

The HMS department at NTNU is interested in the report. Lina will distribute the report when it’s finished. Mathias will present the report to the central research committee 8 May. Alex, Mathias and Sam will do the last adjustment to finish the report. All board members are obliged to read the report and possibly give feedback, after Alex has done some adjustments.

**Annual report/ Lina**

Lina wanted some feedback on open points for the next board. The board suggested:

- Guide to the Archive system, Sharepoint
- Potential collaborators: NTNUI, ProtestPub, SiN, FYSS, NIRS
- Formalize the collaboration with the faculty representatives.
- Housing for temporarily scientific employees.
- Reach out to temporarily employees in Gjøvik and Ålesund and formalize the collaborations.
- Continue with the DION grants.
- DION events.
- E-mails inquiries.
- Survey about supervision conditions (with a subcategory of co-authorship)

**Active DION projects/investigations/cases**
• *Introduction seminar at all faculties/ Lina*
  Mathias will have an introduction seminar April 25 at HF.

• Updates from The Central Research Committee/ Lina
  - Lina participated on the Central Research Committee meeting March 27. They had some short presentations on the evaluations of the PhD programs at the NT and IV Faculty.

• Recruitment of new candidates to the next DION board
  - We need to mobilize more people to run for a board position. Enrico wants to run for a new period and Alex is considering to run for a third period.

*PhD and Postdoc cases*
Tu Ying oriented about the last cases that has been sent in.

Next board meeting will be Monday May 8 at 12.00-14.00

The meeting was adjourned at 15.20.

Lina H. Ingeborgrud  
President DION

Kine Sørli  
Secretary