

## Minutes from DION annual meeting 2004

Time and location: Wednesday 5 May, Kjel 2, Kjelhuset NTNU.

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People present: 26 at beginning of the meeting, (including 6 board members) 28 at the end (7 board members)

### Agenda:

**Chairman:** Steinar and **secretary:** Andreas elected by acclamation.

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**Approval of notice** by acclamation. The yearly meeting was announced through the invitation email to participate the questionnaire, two DION newsletters, DIONs internet page, and flyers distributed to all NTNU departments.

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Steinar presented the **annual report** for 2003 (powerpoint-version). Approved by acclamation.

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**Economy:** both expenses were approved of... It was commented that DION did not apply for funding in 2003 because of very low expenses compared to our assets.

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### Questionnaire:

Eirik stated that PhD-students complain too little, so we have to ask them what we should work with. Ingunn presented the answers with some comments about correlations etc. Some general comments and conclusions were given, and a 'full report' was promised to appear on the web.

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### Ideas/tasks for the new board:

- asked to establish a 'PhD-network': now it is difficult to find out who our colleagues are, and hard to reach all PhD-students. This is perhaps a task for the departments (continuous updating of employee and phone/ mailing lists etc. should help a lot), but DION should see that it is done.
- PhD regulations are being interpreted differently on different faculties. Also faculty-specific rules may apply. This is viewed as a problem by some: not all PhD-students have the same rights.
- The Norwegian and English versions of the regulations do not always match! Administration is urged to translate correctly, DION is asked to urge the administration as well as keeping eyes open for problems that may arise from this.
- From the old board:
  - Unemployment benefits
  - Quota student regulations
  - Finish analysis of the questionnaire

In addition, DION was encouraged to continue rescuing cars and PhD-students in trouble.

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### Election:

Silje Skogvoll (NT) and Newas Khalis Ahmed (IVT) volunteered for the new board.

A selection of 'old members' volunteered as planned.

Everyone was elected by acclamation.

No candidates from HF / SVT; one representative from HF present, none from SVT. The new board is encouraged to recruit extra members from these faculties especially.

**Members of the new board:**

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**Other business:** Steinar was thanked for his contribution.

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**Pizza:** probably due to strike in the transport sector, only one type of pizza was served. Still, it was a popular idea.

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The old and new boards scheduled the constituting meeting to be held 07.05.04 at 1300.